Solutions Chapter 6

Exercise 6.1

a. (workings in \$1,000)

Current ratio: 1,300/1,100 = 1.18 Quick ratio: 900/1,100 = 0.82.

b. Liquidity will improve if goods are sold for a profit. Cash (or receivables) increases while inventories decrease, but to a lesser extent.

c. Current ratio will improve (1,000/800 = 1.25) yet quick ratio will decline (600/800 = 0.75). The overall capability to meet short-term obligations has not really changed.

d. Finished products are a more liquid asset than raw materials so, other elements being equal, situation one shows the higher liquidity.

e. Debt ratio = 4,000/5,000 = 0.80

f. Debt ratio will be: 3,700/4,700 = 0.79. Even though this ratio improves slightly, the capacity to service the remaining debts has not really changed.

Exercise 6.2

a. (workings in \$1,000) EBIT = 1,336 - 1,250 = 86. ROI = 86/1,000 = 8.6%. b. Profit = 86 - (0.10*400) = 46. ROE = 46/600 = 7.67%.

Exercise 6.3

(workings in \$1,000) EBIT = 0.08*(500+300) = 64. Interest = 64 - 35 = 29. ROD = 29/300 = 9.67%.

Exercise 6.4

a. (workings in \$1,000) ROI = 33/300 = 11% (for all companies). b.

	А	В	С
EBIT	33	33	33
Interest	12	9	0
Profit	21	24	33
ROE	21/100=21%	24/150=16%	33/300=11%

c. The various degrees of leverage explain the differences in ROE. In this case ROI > ROD so employing more debt increases ROE.

d. ROE and ROI are equal if ROI = ROD. Therefore ROI must become 6%. EBIT = 0.06*300 = 18. Profit will be 18 - 12 = 6. ROE = 6/100 = 6%.

e. ROE and ROI are equal if ROI = ROD. Therefore ROD must become 11%. Interest expense will be 0.11*200 = 22. Profit will be 33 - 22 = 11. ROE = 11/100 = 11%.

Exercise 6.5

(workings in \$1,000) Total investment is 1,200/0.4 = 3,000. ROI = 300/3,000 = 10%. ROI > ROD so leverage effect is positive. Reducing debt would lower ROE.

	Old situation	New situation
EBIT	300	300
Interest	0.08*1,800 = 144	0.08*900 = 72

Profit	156	228
ROE	156/1,200 = 13%	228/2,100 = 10.86%

Exercise 6.6

(workings in \$1,000)

Assets		Sources	
Premises	285	Common stock	300
Equipment	100	Bonds	130
Vehicles	40	Mortgage	80
Inventories	160	Payables	140
Receivables	40	Tax payable	10
Cash	35		
Total	660		660

Total interest = 0.09*130 + 0.10*80 = 19.7. EBIT = 30 + 19.7 = 49.7.

Ratio	Calculations
Liquidity	
-Current ratio	235/150 = 1.57
-Quick ratio	75/150 = 0.50
-Net working capital	235 - 150 = 85
Leverage	
-Debt ratio	360/660 = 0.55
-Times interest earned	49.7/19.7 = 2.52
Profitability	
-ROI	49.7/660 = 7.53%
-ROE	30/300 = 10%
-ROD	19.7/360 = 5.47%
-Margin on sales	49.7/1,122 = 4.43%
Activity	
-Collection period	40/1,122*365 = 13
-Inventory period	160/(0.8*1,122)*365 = 65
-Turnover rate	1,122/660 = 1.7

Comments:

Liquidity is a critical point. The quick ratio is well below one.

Leverage is not a problem. The debt ratio is normal for many industries and also the EBIT can drop substantially before the interest payments are endangered.

The profitability of the business is positive. The ROD is smaller than ROI. However the ROD is calculated including all debts, also non-interest bearing debts like trade payables. The interest rates on the long-term loans are higher than ROI and so cause a negative leverage effect regarding these loans.

The inventory period is high. Inventory is sufficient to accommodate 65 days (two months) of sales. By lowering the investment in excess inventory, the turnover rate, and thus the profitability, could increase.

Exercise 6.7

Number of shares: 50,000/10 = 5,000 (beginning year 1) and 70,000/10 = 7,000 (ending year 1).

a. EPS1 = \$82,500/7,000 = \$11.79. EPS2 = \$60,000/7,000 = \$8.57.

b. P/E1 = \$80/\$11.79 = 6.79. P/E2 = \$82.5/\$8.57 = 9.63.

c. Dividend year 1: \$82,500 - \$50,000 = \$32,500. Dividend per share = \$4.64. Yield = \$4.64/\$75 = 6.19%.

Dividend year 2: \$60,000 - \$25,000 = \$35,000. Dividend per share = \$5. Yield is \$5/\$80 = 6.25%.

(Dividend yields based on assumption of buying shares at beginning of the year) d. Total yield 1: (\$4.64 + \$5)/\$75 = 12.85%. Total yield 2: (\$5 + \$2.50)/\$80 = 9.38%. (Total yields based on assumption of buying shares at beginning of the year) e.

	Begin 1	End 1	End 2
Market value	\$75	\$80	\$82.5
Book value	\$350,000/5,000 = \$70	\$525,000/7,000 = \$75	\$550,000/7,000 = \$79
Ratio	1.07	1.067	1.05

f. Year 1: Average total investment = (\$650,000 + \$725,000)/2 = \$687,500. Average debt = \$250,000. Interest = 0.06*\$250,000 = \$15,000. EBIT = \$82,500 + \$15,000 = \$97,500. ROI = \$97,500/\$687,500 = 14.18%.

Year 2: Average total investment = (\$725,000+\$800,000)/2 = \$762,500. Average debt = \$225,000. Interest = 0.06*\$225,000 = \$13,500. EBIT = \$60,000 + \$13,500 = \$73,500. ROI = \$73,500/\$762,500 = 9.64%. g. Year 1: Average equity = (\$350,000 + \$525,000)/2 = \$437,500. POE = \$82,500/\$437,500 = 18,85%

ROE = \$82,500/\$437,500 = 18.85%.

Year 2: Average equity = (\$525,000 + \$550,000)/2 = \$537,500. ROE = \$60,000/\$537,500 = 11.16%.

Exercise 6.8

a. ROI = \$420,000/\$3,500,000 = 12%.

b. (\$420,000 - \$120,000)/\$2,000,000 = 15%.

- c. \$300,000/100,000 = \$3.
- d. \$30/\$3 = 10.

	New shares	New loan
EBIT	\$580,000	\$580,000
Interest	\$120,000	\$210,000
Profit	\$460,000	\$370,000
e. ROI	\$580,000/\$4,500,000 = 12.9%	\$580,000/\$4,500,000 = 12.9%
f. ROE	\$460,000/\$3,000,000 = 15.3%	\$370,000/\$2,000,000 = 18.5%
g. EPS	\$460,000/140,000 = \$3.29	\$370,000/100,000 = \$3.70
h. Market price	12*\$3.29 = \$39.48	11*\$3.70 = \$40.70

All ratios indicate that debt financing better serves the interests of the current stockholders.

i. The PE is lower in the case of debt financing due to the higher level of risk.