

Read through the sentences and decide whether the sentences are true (T) or false (F). Before you start listening consult your answers with your partner. Listen and check.

1. **Corporate borrowers** typically find it cheaper to issue bonds than to borrow money from commercial banks.
2. Bonds are always **underwritten** by commercial banks rather than investment banks.
3. The **coupon** of a bond refers to the periodic interest payments made to bondholders.
4. The **principal** of a bond is the total amount repaid to the bondholder at maturity.
5. **Debt financing**, such as issuing bonds, allows companies to avoid paying interest during years without profits.
6. Unlike bonds, **equity financing** involves issuing stocks, which require repayment.
7. **Brokerage companies** play a key role in trading bonds on the primary market.
8. The **spread** refers to the difference between the bid price and the offer price in bond trading.
9. The **yield** of a bond depends solely on its coupon rate.
10. The **issuer** of a bond is the entity that buys bonds and receives regular interest payments.

Odd One Out

1. corporate borrowers, issuer, market makers, principal
2. government bond, gilts, tax deductible, coupon
3. spread, bid, above par, equity financing
4. debt financing, yield, default, underwritten
5. brokerage companies, market makers, corporate borrowers, gilts
6. coupon, principal, spread, issuer
7. default, above par, tax deductible, underwritten
8. coupon, bid, yield, corporate borrowers
9. market makers, bid, spread, tax deductible
10. government bond, debt financing, equity financing