

CORPORATE STOCKHOLDERS

COMMON STOCK

- represents basic ownership of a corporation
- stockholders receive voting rights
- no dividend guarantee

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- ownership certificates in a corporation
- purchased by investors called stockholders or shareholders
- provide ownership rights

PREFERRED STOCK

- stockholders receive no voting rights
- stockholders receive dividends before common stockholders receive theirs
- stockholders get their investment back before common stockholders if the corporation goes out of business
- dividend guarantee
- 1. What type of stock represents ownership in a corporation?
- 2. Which type of stock gives its owner voting rights in the corporation?