Solution to Problem 292B

1. From the graph, stall occurs at about $C_L = 1.72$. For horizontal flight, the lift must be balanced by the weight.

$$\frac{1}{2}\rho U^2 A C_L = 2000 \ kg \ m/s^2$$
$$u = \sqrt{\frac{2(2000 \ kg \ m/s^2)}{\rho A C_L}}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{2(2000 \ kg \ m/s^2)}{(1 \ kg/m^3)(10 \ m^2)(1.72)}}$$
$$= 15.2 \ m/s$$

2. The glide angle,



has a minimum met by the conditions at the point where $C_L = 1.1$, $C_D = 0.0093$. Therefore the minimum glide angle is approximately 0.48°. [Note: If the fuselage drag was included, this angle would be much larger.] In gliding,

$$L = W \times \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\rho u_T^2 A C_L = (2000 \ kg \ m/s^2) \cos(0.48^\circ)$$

$$u_T = 19.1 \ m/s$$

where u_T is the total velocity. Therefore, the horizontal velocity is $u_T \cos(0.48^\circ) = 19.0 \ m/s$