

Quiz 5 | Behind Demand & Perfect Competition

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Question 1

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The idea of marginal analysis as economists use it implies

- ☐ total consumption and production are analyzed.
- ☒ that people make incremental adjustments to an existing plan.
- ☐ that buyers and sellers focus entirely on additional costs in their decision-making.
- ☐ that once people have a plan to complete an objective, they pursue it consistently and do not change the plan.



Question 2

1 / 1 pts

Economists often use the term utility which means

- ☐ consumption.
- ☒ satisfaction.
- ☐ income.
- ☐ production.



Question 3

1 / 1 pts

When economists attempt to predict the spending patterns of U.S. households, they will typically assume _____ is a primary determining factor influencing the individual consumption choices that a household will make.

- ☐ average spending level for households in the country
- ☐ the political party in power
- ☒ the level of income of the household
- ☐ the level of savings of the household



Question 4

1 / 1 pts

Approximately what portion of annual consumption is typically spent by American households on shelter?

- ☒ one-third
- ☐ one-fourth
- ☐ one-half
- ☐ one-fifth



Question 5

1 / 1 pts

The marginal utility of two goods changes _____.

- ☐ for the better, if taxes are imposed
- ☐ as fewer of the goods are consumed, but only if the two goods are substitutes in consumption
- ☐ if they are intertemporal choices
- ☒ as more of each of the goods are consumed



Question 6

1 / 1 pts

Economists generally assume that consumption of the first few units of any good or service tends to bring a higher level of _____ to a person than consumption of later units of a good or service.

- ☒ utility
- ☐ income

☐ opportunity cost

☐ sunk costs



IncorrectQuestion 7

0 / 1 pts

The marginal benefit of a slice of pizza can be measured by the

☐ total amount of money that a consumer is willing to pay for a whole pizza, divided by the number of slices.

☐ largest amount that a consumer is willing to pay for the slice.

☐ total amount of money that a consumer is willing to pay for a whole pizza.

☐ price of the slice of pizza.

☒ difference between the value of the slice to the consumer and the price you must pay for the slice.



IncorrectQuestion 8

0 / 1 pts

The lesson of _____ is to forget about the money that's irretrievably gone and instead to focus on the marginal costs and benefits of future options

☒ marginal analysis

☐ budget constraints

☐ marginal utility

☐ sunk costs



IncorrectQuestion 9

0 / 1 pts

The assumption of perfect information in the supply and demand model means

☐ that buyers know all the prices charged for a good by all sellers prior to their purchase.

☐ that buyers and sellers are both informed about the quality of the product being exchanged.

☐ that buyers know about the warranty information for a given product.

☒ that sellers can anticipate changes in the prices of their factors of production in advance.



Question 10

1 / 1 pts

The term _____ refers to the additional utility provided by one additional unit of consumption.

- ☐ added utility
- ☐ Giffen utility
- ☒ marginal utility
- ☐ utility



Incorrect Question 11

0 / 1 pts

Economists typically assume producers and consumers

- ☒ only pursue rational outcomes, and these outcomes would be agreed upon by all to be the most positive outcomes.
- ☐ can be rational, but are not systematically so.
- ☐ are rarely rational, but sometimes are purposeful in their behavior.
- ☐ are rational, and systematically work to achieve their goals.



Question 12

1 / 1 pts

The assumption in economics that, eventually, as one more unit of a good is consumed, the addition to satisfaction decreases is known as

- ☐ decreasing total utility
- ☐ marginal utility pattern
- ☒ diminishing marginal utility
- ☐ marginal income utility



Question 13

1 / 1 pts

When looking at market structure, _____ and _____ will lie at opposite ends of the concentration continuum.

- ☐ monopolistic competition; monopoly
- ☒ perfect competition; monopoly
- ☐ perfect competition; monopolistic competition
- ☐ monopolistic competition; oligopoly



Question 14

1 / 1 pts

If a firm operating in a perfectly competitive market must accept the prevailing market price for its product, it is a

- ☒ price taker
- ☐ business entity
- ☐ business taker
- ☐ price setter



Question 15

1 / 1 pts

In a free-market economy, firms operating in a perfectly competitive industry are said to have only one major choice to make. What is it?

- ☐ what price to charge
- ☐ what should the quality of their product be
- ☐ how many workers to hire
- ☒ how much to produce



Question 16

1 / 1 pts

If a perfectly competitive firm raises its price, the quantity demanded of its product _____.

- ☐ stays the same
- ☐ falls below marginal cost
- ☒ falls to zero
- ☐ diminishes temporarily in the short run



IncorrectQuestion 17

0 / 1 pts

Idaho farmers can sell as large a quantity of their potato crop as they wish,

- ☐ if they set their own price in the short run, but in the long run, the market sets the price.
- ☐ provided each is willing to accept the prevailing market price.
- ☒ if they set their own price in the long run, but in the short run, the market sets the price.
- ☐ provided quality is perceptible and determines the market price.



Question 18

1 / 1 pts

Which of the following characteristics does NOT describe a perfectly competitive market?

- ☐ Companies are able to enter and exit the market without any restrictions.
- ☒ Firms set different prices for their product, either at or above the equilibrium price.
- ☐ Many firms are producing identical products.
- ☐ There are many people who desire and have the ability to purchase the product.



Question 19

1 / 1 pts

Economic profit can be derived from calculating total revenues minus all of the firm's costs,

- ☐ excluding its opportunity costs.
- ☐ including its marginal revenue.
- ☐ excluding its accounting costs.
- ☒ including its opportunity costs.



IncorrectQuestion 20

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When economists refer to the concept of differentiated products they typically mean

- ☒ each product is very unique.
- ☐ the products are identical.
- ☐ the variety in the products available.
- ☐ the products are sold in the optimal locations.

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