### **ECONOMICS**

#### Overview

This event provides recognition for FBLA members who can identify, understand, and apply economic principles to contemporary social, political, and ecological problems.

This is an individual online test.

# **Competencies and Task Lists**

http://www.fbla-pbl.org/docs/ct/FBLA/ECONOMICS.pdf

#### **Website Resources**

- Business and Economics The University of Chicago Library http://guides.lib.uchicago.edu/busecon
- Economics Website

http://www.mcwdn.org/ECONOMICS/EconMain.html

- Economic Sample Quizzes http://www.sscnet.ucla.edu/ssc/labs/cameron/e1f98/e1qz .htm
- Monetary and Fiscal Policy <a href="http://www.socialstudieshelp.com/Eco\_Mon\_and\_Fiscal.htm">http://www.socialstudieshelp.com/Eco\_Mon\_and\_Fiscal.htm</a>
- tutor2u Economics Quizzes http://www.tutor2u.net/quiz/economics/default.asp

## **ECONOMICS SAMPLE QUESTIONS**

- 1. The function of monetary policy is to:
  - a. regulate the money supply
  - b. ensure uniform currency
  - c. determine denominations of money
  - d. encourage inflation

**Competency:** Basic Economic Concepts and Principles

- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ is a cost that you have already incurred and **cannot** recover.
  - a. Negative cost
  - b. Lost cost
  - c. Sunk cost
  - d. Positive cost

**Competency:** Basic Economic Concepts and Principles

- 3. A \_\_\_\_\_ economy produces the highest standard of living for its citizens.
  - a. market oriented
  - b. command
  - c. transitional
  - d. traditional

**Competency:** Basic Economic Concepts and Principles

- 4. An increase in the quantity and quality of capital per worker is called: a. capital deepening b. capital narrowing c. capital interest d. inflated capital Competency: Productivity 5. The demand for a resource is tied to the: a. economic conditions b. value of the output produced by that resource c. latest social trends d. available supply **Competency:** Productivity 6. The demand for roofers would \_\_\_\_\_ if the price of shingles dropped by 50 percent. a. fluctuate downward b. rise c. not be affected d. fall Competency: Productivity 7. \_\_\_\_\_ is a form of economics that focuses on the performance of the economy as a whole, especially the national economy. a. Consumer economics b. Microeconomics c. Macroeconomics d. Federal economics **Competency:** Macroeconomics 8. Money growth and inflation generally have: a. an inverse relationship b. a direct relationship c. no relationship d. a negative relationship Competency: Macroeconomics
- 9. \_\_\_\_ measures the market value of all final goods and services produced in the United States during a given time period, usually a year.
  - a. Gross Domestic Product
  - b. Consumer Price Index
  - c. Productivity
  - d. Net production

Competency: Macroeconomics

- 10. Supply indicates how much of a good producers:
  - a. have yet to sell
  - b. produce
  - c. are willing and able to offer
  - d. have sold

Competency: Supply & Demand

- 11. Which statement is the most **accurate**?
  - a. The elasticity of supply is typically greater with a greater quantity of products on hand
  - b. The elasticity of supply is typically diminished the longer the period of adjustment.
  - c. The elasticity of supply is typically greater the longer the period of adjustment.
  - d. The elasticity of supply typically is not affected by time at all.

Competency: Supply & Demand

- 12. If the government imposes a price ceiling on milk that is substantially below the market price we would expect:
  - a. surpluses to become a problem
  - b. a fall in milk consumers' incomes
  - c. shortages to occur
  - d. milk prices to move rapidly towards equilibrium

Competency: Supply & Demand

- 13. The principle of comparative advantage suggests that nations should produce goods:
  - a. where they have the highest opportunity cost
  - b. that require the most capital investments
  - c. that require the least capital investments
  - d. where they have the lowest opportunity cost

**Competency:** International Trade/Global Economics

- 14. What does an import quota in the United States tend to do?
  - a. keep the quality of imports high
  - b. raise the U.S. price above the world price
  - c. lower the U.S. price below the world price
  - d. benefit consumers

**Competency:** International Trade/Global Economics

- 15. Why has the dollar been used for many years as an international medium of exchange?
  - a. it has held a relatively steady value over many years
  - b. it cannot be counterfeited
  - c. there is an unlimited supply of dollars in the world
  - d. it can be traded for gold at the U.S. Treasury

**Competency:** International Trade/Global Economics

- 16. \_\_\_ is an important indicator about the relative scarcity of a product or service.
  - a. Market price
  - b. Cost of production
  - c. The "invisible hand"
  - d. Product popularity

**Competency:** Market Structures and Competition

- 17. Competition among firms will generally lead to:
  - a. lower prices and excess profits for firms
  - b. higher prices and normal profits for firms
  - c. higher prices and excess profits for firms
  - d. lower prices and normal profits for firms

**Competency:** Market Structures and Competition

- 18. Which one of the following would create a barrier to entry?
  - a. firms selling identical products
  - b. a large number of sellers
  - c. licensing requirements
  - d. product differentiation

**Competency:** Market Structures and Competition

- 19. Banks reduce risks to savers by:
  - a. diversifying their funds
  - b. charging low interest rates
  - c. charging high interest rates
  - d. building strong vaults

**Competency:** Investments and Interest Rates

- 20. Which one of the following would typically be associated with higher interest rates?
  - a. a high level of risk
  - b. a high credit score
  - c. low administrative costs
  - d. a large amount of collateral

**Competency:** Investments and Interest Rates

- 21. If an economy reduces consumption to invest in goods used to produce other goods, this is called:
  - a. capital formation
  - b. the multiplier effect
  - c. purchasing power parity
  - d. the consumption function

**Competency:** Investments and Interest Rates

- 22. Which one of the following is the best example of a public good?
  - a. an anti-missile system
  - b. a field of strawberries
  - c. a carwash
  - d. a book

**Competency:** Role of Government

- 23. Property taxes are used most frequently at the:
  - a. international level
  - b. state level
  - c. national level
  - d. local level

**Competency:** Role of Government

- 24. If the government placed a \$10 price floor on a gallon of gasoline, then we would expect:
  - a. the demand for gasoline would increase
  - b. shortages in the gasoline market
  - c. a surplus of gasoline to develop
  - d. the quantity supplied of gasoline would fall

**Competency:** Role of Government

- 25. Which one of the following would be most appropriate during a recession?
  - a. reduce taxes
  - b. reduce government spending
  - c. run a budget surplus
  - d. increase tariffs and quotas on imports

**Competency:** Monetary and Fiscal Policy

- 26. A deficit is essentially a way to:
  - a. bill future taxpayers for today's spending
  - b. balance the budget over the business cycle
  - c. make sure all spending projects are paid for by those who benefit from them
  - d. run government more effectively

**Competency:** Monetary and Fiscal Policy

- 27. If GDP has fallen each quarter for the past year, an appropriate fiscal policy might be to:
  - a. reduce the money supply
  - b. increase government spending
  - c. reduce government spending
  - d. increase the money supply

**Competency:** Monetary and Fiscal Policy

- 28. Of the 25 million businesses in the United States, most:
  - a. are corporations
  - b. consist of one self-employed person
  - c. are partnerships
  - d. employ more than twenty-five people

**Competency:** Types of Business/Economic Institutions

- 29. A not-for-profit corporation:
  - a. does not pay federal income taxes
  - b. is not allowed to take cash contributions
  - c. is not allowed to pay its employees
  - d. does not have to register in the state where it is incorporated

**Competency:** Types of Business/Economic Institutions

- 30. In the circular flow model, goods flow from firms to households in the:
  - a. input market
  - b. resource market
  - c. product market
  - d. financial market

Competency: Business Cycles/Circular Flow

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