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- 1. If by creating a private garden, passers-by enjoy its view, this can be referred to in economics as
  - A. A free good
  - B. Free riding
  - C. Social benefit
  - D. Positive externality
- 2. Economics is the science which deals basically with
  - A. The allocation of scarce resources
  - B. What and how to produce
  - C. Scarcity, where and for whom to produce
  - D. Unlimited human wants
- 3. In certain circumstances, a centrally planned economy adopts the rationing system because of
  - A. Low real and money income of consumers
  - B. Transportation and distribution difficulties
  - C. The need for equitable distribution of goods and services
  - D. The scarcity of goods and services in the market
- 4. Which of the following characteristics of a free market economy is implied in the statement "the decisions of producers determine the supply of a good, the decision of the consumers determine the demand"?
  - A. Freedom of choice and enterprise
  - B. The absence of government intervention
  - C. Self-interest is dominating motive
  - D. There is competition among producers and consumers
  - 5. Which of the following statements about factors of production is correct?
  - A. Capital comprises the money which the owners of firms need in order to start a business
  - B. Land refers only to dry land surface area
  - C. Labour refers only to mental efforts of humans
  - D. Entrepreneur is the manager of a business

- 6. Firms usually setup close to each other in order to take advantage of
  - A. External economies of scale
  - B. Internal economies of scale
  - C. Financial economies of scale
  - D. Market economies of scale

Question 7 is based on table 1 showing the number of workers and the annual output of an industry.

Table 1

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
No of worker s	110,000	120,000	100,000
Output (tons)	13,000,00	15,000,00	14,000,00

- 7. It can be concluded that labour productivity
  - A. Declines in year 2 and increases in year 3
  - B. Increases in year 2 and declines in year 3
  - C. Is at its lowest in year 1
  - D. Is at its highest in year 2
- 8. The percentage of a company's profit that is distributed to shareholders is known as
  - A. Interest
  - B. Profit
  - C. Dividend
  - D. Yield
- 9. The type of pricing policy used by multinational corporations to shift profit from high tax countries to low tax countries is known as
  - A. Limit pricing
  - B. Transfer pricing
  - C. Predatory pricing
  - D. Skimming pricing
- 10. An accurate population census of a country is of economic importance because it helps
  - A. In providing a basis for formulating economic policy
  - B. In solving unemployment problems
  - C. To reduce false declaration made by people
  - D. To ensure equitable population redistribution

## Question 11 is based on table 2

Age range (years)	% of population	
	1990	1995
1-17	25	20
18-59	40	42
60 and above	35	38

- 11. It can be concluded that the dependency ratio between 1990 and 1995
  - A. Increased by 2%
  - B. Increased by 5%
  - C. Reduced by 2%
  - D. Reduced by 5%
- 12. A shift in the demand curve will have a greater effect on price than on quantity demanded if supply is
- A. Fairly elastic
- B. Fairly inelastic
- C. Perfectly inelastic
- D. Perfectly elastic

Question 13 is based on figure 1 which shows the demand for and supply of oranges

Price S

Quantity

- 13. At P1 there will be
  - A. A shortage of oranges
  - B. A surplus of oranges
  - C. An increased sale of oranges
  - D. Market clearing of oranges

Question 14 is based on **table 3** which shows a consumer's expenditure on a range of goods at different levels of income

Table 3

Good	Consumer's income (FCFA)		
	40,000	24,000	
	Quantity demanded		
W	12	12	
X	10	24	
Y	14	14	
Z	16	18	

- 14. Which of the goods is a best example of luxury?
  - A. W
  - B. X
  - C. Y
  - D. Z
- 15. For a government buffer stock stabilization policy to succeed, the government should
  - A. Buy any excess in years of good harvest
  - B. Provide enough shortage facilities to famers
  - C. Supplement supply in years of good harvest
  - D. Encourage farmers to sell all their produce
- 16. Suppose a market is in equilibrium and then the demand increases. This may likely lead to an excess
  - A. Supply at the new equilibrium
  - B. Demand at the initial equilibrium
  - C. Demand at the new equilibrium
  - D. Supply at the initial equilibrium
- 17. A firm's expenditure on the purchase of raw material is regarded as
  - A. Explicit cost
  - B. Implicit cost
  - C. Variable cost
  - D. Prime cost
- 18. Output restrictions, fixing of price, creating obstacles to free entry into the market are features of
  - A. Monopolistic competition
  - B. Pure monopoly
  - C. Monopsony
  - D. Perfect competition

- 19. If the total sales revenue for a firm is 20 million FCFA, whereas the total fixed cost is 24 million FCFA and the variable cost is 18 million FCFA, in the short run it should
  - A. Continue to produce in the short run
  - B. Shut down in the short run
  - C. Continue to produce in the long run
- D. Shut down in the medium term
- 20. A nationalized firm practicing MC pricing policy will produce
  - A. A greater output and sell at a lower price than a private monopoly
  - B. An output level where MR=MC
  - C. A lower output and sell a higher price than a private monopoly
  - D. An output level where AR=AC
- 21. When a firm in monopolistic competition is producing below its technical optimum, it is said to be
  - A. Experiencing x-efficiency
  - B. Incurring losses
  - C. Earning subnormal profits
  - D. Experiencing excess capacity
- 22. Time rate as a method of wage payment is most appropriate where
  - A. Work is easily measured
  - B. It is difficult to measure the work done
  - C. Quantity is more important than quality
  - D. Workers can proceed at their own space
- 23. An outward shift of the liquidity preference curve will cause the rate of interest to rise because
  - A. Of the increase in the demand for securities
  - B. Of an increase in income
  - C. The stronger desire to hold money
  - D. It leads to an increase desire to sell securities
- 24. Profit is the only factor reward that
  - A. May be negative
  - B. Is contractual
  - C. Is certain
  - D. Is negotiated
- 25. The difference between the return made by a factor of production and the return necessary to keep it in its present line of production is termed

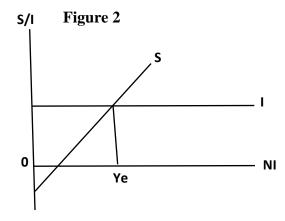
- A. Quasi rents
- B. Economic rents
- C. Normal profit
- D. Surplus
- Question 26 refers to the following information concerning the national income accounts of an imaginary country

Taxes on expenditure 20 million FCFA TDE at market price 460 million FCFA GDE at market price 480 million FCFA TFE at market price 500 million FCFA

- 26. What is the value of exports?
  - A. 20 million FCFA
  - B. 30 million FCFA
  - C. 40 million FCFA
  - D. 50 million FCFA
- 27. If a country fails to deduct external costs arising from the production of goods and services from its GNP figures, this may likely result in
  - A. Double counting
  - B. A fall in living standard
  - C. An overestimation of economic welfare
  - D. An underestimation of national income
- 28. Personal income minus \_\_\_\_\_ gives the personal disposable income
  - A. Direct tax
  - B. Indirect tax
  - C. Transfer payment
  - D. Bonuses
- 29. The consumption function in a two-sector economy is represented by
  - C = 100 million FCFA + 0.6Y, where Y represent disposable income. What is the value of autonomous dissaving?
    - A. -100 million FCFA
    - B. +100 million FCFA
    - C. +80 million FCFA
    - D. -80 million FCFA

- 30. What is the GNP of a country?
  - A. GDP + Property income from abroad
  - B. Value of goods and services produced
  - C. National output of goods and services
  - D. The value of a country's output produced by its resources
- 31. The Paradox of Thrift hold if
  - A. There is a constant capital-output ratio
  - B. There are unemployed resources
  - C. Capital goods industry has no excess capacity
  - D. No stock exists in consumer goods industry

Question 32 is based on figure 2

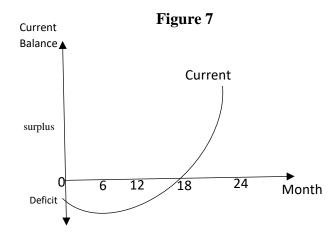


- 32. It can be concluded that the savings is
  - A. Only induced
  - B. Only autonomous
  - C. Both autonomous and induced
  - D. Inversely related to income
- 33. At the point where the income line intersects the consumption curve, APC is
  - A. Less than zero
  - B. Greater than zero
  - C. Equal to one
  - D. Equal to zero
- 34. In a three- sector governed economy, saving is one quarter of disposable income and government taxes are one fifth of income. What is the value of the multiplier?
  - A. 1.05
  - B. 1.5
  - C. 2.22
  - D. 2.5

- 35. The demand curve for active money balances will shift to the left if there is an increase in
  - A. Individual's income
  - B. Rate of interest
  - C. Frequency of income payments
  - D. General price level
- 36. For money to serve as a good standard for deferred payment, it must be
  - A. Portable
  - B. Durable
  - C. Stable in value
  - D. Divisible
- 37. Ignoring improvements in the quality of a good in constructing a retail price index may likely
  - A. Understate the rate of inflation
  - B. Overstate the rate of inflation
  - C. Indicate menu cost
  - D. Illustrate money illusion
- 38. Consumers' sight deposits are considered as liabilities to commercial banks because
  - A. They are used to settle interbank indebtedness
  - B. They are items that commercial bank possess
  - C. They are total amount of claims by commercial banks on other people
  - D. Commercial banks are obliged to pay them to customers on demand
- 39. "A good tax should achieve its intended aims with minimum undesired side effects". This principle of a good tax is known as
  - A. Efficiency
  - B. Convenience
  - C. Certainty
  - D. Consistency
- 40. Why will the burden of an external national debt likely fall during a period of inflation?
  - A. A small percentage of GNP will be required for its servicing
  - B. The debt has been used to acquire real assets
  - C. The debt will certainly be cancelled
  - D. A small volume of imports will be required for its repayment

- 41. The deliberate action by the government to regulate the level of economic activity through fiscal policy instrument is known as
  - A. Fiscal stance
  - B. Fiscal drag
  - C. Automatic stabilizers
  - D. Discretionary fiscal policy
- 42. A worker's monthly income increases from 150,000 FCFA to 250,000 FCFA and the amount of tax paid increases from 15,000 FCFA to 40,000 FCFA. What is the marginal rate of tax?
  - A. 6.7%
  - B. 15%
  - C. 16%
  - D. 16%
- 43. If the terms of trade between Cameroon and Nigeria lie within the limits set by their domestic opportunity cost ratios, then
  - A. It is impossible for both countries to trade with each other
  - B. Trade will benefit only one of the countries
  - C. It is unprofitable for them to trade
  - D. It is profitable for both countries to trade with each other
- 44. An argument against trade protection is that will increase
  - A. The current account deficit
  - B. Competition for domestic industries
  - C. Opportunities for domestic infant industries
  - D. Domestic price levels
- 45. When the exchange rate is maintained within agreed margins around a central parity with the possibility of changing the central parity, this exchange rate system is known as
  - A. Managed floating
  - B. Adjustable peg
  - C. Crawling peg
  - D. Managed fixed

Question 46 is based on figure 7 below which shows the effect in two years as a country intended to improve on its balance of payments situation by devaluing its currency.



- 46. Which of the following statements is likely to explain this performance?
  - A. The domestic inflation rate fell after 12 months before having the desired result
  - B. The policy was ineffective and other factors must have led to an improvement in the current account
  - C. In the short run, the price elasticities of demand for export and imports were very low
  - D. The elasticity of demand for imports diminished after 12 months
- 47. The introduction of improved machinery may result in slow economic growth if
  - A. Labour unions are too powerful to resist their use
  - B. The demand for the final product increases
  - C. There is poverty alleviation
  - D. There is redistribution of income
- 48. Which of the following is a possible indicator of development?
  - A. High dependency ratio
  - B. High birth rate
  - C. Improved access to health care
  - D. High proportion of people employed in agriculture
- 49. Which of the following is a policy instrument?
  - A. Interest rate
  - B. Price stability
  - C. High employment
  - D. Economic growth

- 50. The reduction in government control over economic activities carried out by the private sector is known as
  - A. Deregulation
  - B. Rehabilitation
  - C. Renationalization
  - D. Denationalization