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- 1. When the economic principles are developed from factual evidence, this method of economic reasoning is called
  - A. Descriptive economics
    - B. Deduction
    - C. Hypothesis testing
    - D. Induction
- 2. Question 2 is based on table 1, showing the production possibility situation of a country.

Table 1

Types of	A	В	С	D	Е
goods					
Capital	0	1	2	3	4
goods					
Consumer	25	23	19	13	0
goods					

If this economy chooses the combination of goods at point A,

- A. Only capital goods are being produced
- B. All resources in the economy are used in the production of capital goods
- C. All resources in the economy are used in the production of consumer goods
- D. No capital goods are used as factors of production
- 3. A market economy can result in
  - A. Production ignoring externalities
  - B. Production not satisfying consumer's real wants
  - C. Shortages and surpluses of products
  - D. Reduced incentives lowering individual efforts
- 4. Which of the following will likely trigger a move from a command economy to a market economy?
  - A. Inequitable redistribution of income
  - B. Inflation resulting from removal of price controls

- C. Low quality goods leading to low living standards
- D. Industrial unrest with frequent conflicts between workers and employers
- 5. A security whose market price is the same as its nominal value is said to be
  - A. At par
  - B. In equilibrium
  - C. At zero rate
  - D. At premium
- 6. If the quantity of all factors used in a production process increased by 10% and production rose by 15%, there are
  - A. Decreasing returns to scale
  - B. Increasing returns to scale
  - C. Decreasing returns to a variable factor
  - D. Increasing returns to a variable factor
- 7. Providence and Son's Enterprise has a Capital Structure composed of:

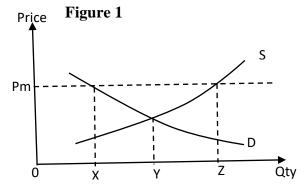
Debentures = 40millionFCFA
Preference shares = 80millionFCFA
If the company is lowly geared, the figure
for its ordinary share capital might be;

- A. 20 million FCFA
- B. 400 million FCFA
- C. 40 million FCFA
- D. 120 million FCFA
- 8. If an industry remains in an area long after the factors that attracted it have disappeared, this is known as
  - A. Industrial Location
  - B. Natural Location Advantage
  - C. Industrial inertia.
  - D. Regional location advantages
- 9. Consider the following statistics as data for question 9:

Total population =100million people, Birth rate = 5 per thousand, Natural growth rate = 2 per thousand. The number of deaths in this population is

- A. 200,000 people
- B. 3,000,000 people
- C. 2,000,000 people

- D. 300,000 people
- 10. An ageing population will result in
  - A. An increase in labour mobility
  - B. A reduction in transfer payments
  - C. An increase in the dependent population
  - D. A constant pattern of consumption
- 11. Under which of the following circumstances would an increase in the price of good X result in the fall in demand of good Y?
  - A. Good X and good Y are substitutes
  - B. Good X and good Y are compliments
  - C. Good X and good Y are both inelastic
  - D. Good X is a normal good and goodY is an inferior goodQuestion 12 is based on figure 1below



- 12. If the government of a country fixes a guaranteed minimum price of Pm, the effect would be that
  - A. Government would have to purchase quantity XZ at price Pm
  - B. Price would be forced down towards the equilibrium
  - C. There would be excess supply of YZ.
  - D. There would be a shortage of XZ
- 13. A given industry supplies 3,000 units of a good per month at a price of 40 FCFA per unit. If the price elasticity of supply is 4,

how many units will this firm supply if the price rises to 50 FCFA?

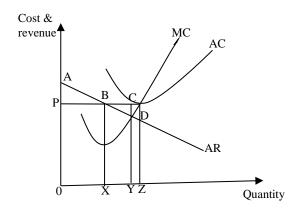
- A. 5,400 units
- B. 3,600units
- C. 3,000units
- D. 6,000units
- 14. Given the market demand curve

Q = 120 - 2P and supply curve Q = 4P, where P represents price, the equilibrium quantity and price are:

- A. 80 and 20
- B. 120 and 30
- C. 240 and 60
- D. 60 and 40
- 15. A shift of the demand curve to the left could be caused by
  - A. The imposition of a tax on the good by the government
  - B. A change of consumers' tastes in favour of a substitute
  - C. A fall in the price of a complementary good
  - D. A reduction in the price of the good
- 16. If a nationalized industry adopts the marginal costs pricing policy for its services when its average cost is declining, it will likely
  - A. Make a loss
  - B. Break even
  - C. Make a profit
  - D. Not require state subvention
- 17. A firm which aims at growth maximization should produce at the output level where
  - A. AR = MC
  - B. MR = MC
  - C. AR = AC
  - D. MR= zero

Question 18 is based on figure 2 below, illustrating perfect price discrimination situation.

Figure 2



- 18. The triangle PAB describes
  - A. Consumer surplus
  - B. Community surplus
  - C. Extra cost incurred
  - D. Extra revenue gained
- 19. When consumers buy in the cheaper markets and sell in more expensive markets, this is known as
  - A. Resale price maintenance
  - B. Seepage
  - C. Price discrimination
  - D. Penetrating pricing
- 20. Firms in oligopoly are interdependent because
  - A. They produce differentiated products
  - B. Each firm is a price marker
  - C. The behavior of one firm will be influenced by the behavior of its rivals
  - D. The behavior of one firm depends on its ability to use non price competition
- 21. The following statistics relates to an automobile firm that has sold two cars (Figures are in millions FCFA)

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Cost price per car	= 10
Selling price per car	= 15
Total sales revenue	= 30
Cost of capital employed	= 12
Amount of profit per car	= 5

If the firm declares a rate of profit of 50%, which method of measuring profit has been used?

- A. Profit as a percentage on turnover
- B. Profit as a capital employed
- C. Profit as a gross margin percentage
- D. Profit as a percentage of total cost 22. Normal profit is
- A. A positive difference between total revenue and total cost
  - B. The level of reward where MR = MC
  - C. The level of reward where AR=AC
  - D. The average reward made by the firm
- 23. Given that the market rate of interest is 15%. What is the market price of a bond that pays 18,000FCFA interest?
  - A. 150,000 FCFA
  - B. 120,000 FCFA
  - C. 80,000 FCFA
  - D. 100,0000 FCFA
- 24. The market value of all goods and services produced by a country's resources regardless of where the resources are located is
  - A. Net national product
  - B. Gross national product
  - C. National income
  - D. Gross domestic product
- 25. Why are adjustments made for financial services in the output method of measuring national income?
  - A. To eliminate the effect of stock appreciation
  - B. To record all the interest paid by financial institutions
  - C. To avoid double counting of interest paid and received by financial institutions
  - D. To make adjustments for residual error

Question 26 is based on table 2, which shows information about a country in 2008 and 2009

Table 2

Year	Population	GDP	GDP
	(millions)	(billions	Deflator
		FCFA)	(2005 index
			= 100)
2008	200	400	110
2009	250	480	120

- 26. The real GDP per capita in 2009 is
  - A. 1,600 FCFA
  - B. 4,000 FCFA
  - C. 2,000 FCFA
  - D. 1,920 FCFA
- 27. Which of the following would most likely be included in the measurement of Gross Domestic Product?
  - A. The output of second-hand goods
  - B. Intermediate sales
  - C. Legal services
  - D. Social security benefits
- 28. If the MPC in a particular economy is 0.5 and the government increases its expenditure by 1,000million FCFA, by how much will national income change?
  - A. 1,000 million FCFA
  - B. 2,000 million FCFA
  - C. 3, 000 million FCFA
  - D. 500 million FCFA
- 29. If C=1,500 million FCFA+0,8Y (where C=consumption and Y=income) and intended investment is 500million FCFA, then the equilibrium level of national income is
  - A. 20,000 million FCFA
  - B. 24,000 million FCFA
  - C. 15,000 million FCFA
  - D. 10,000 million FCFA
- 30. Which of the following statements concerning the circular flow of income is true?
  - A. The factors of production are owned by households

- B. The factors of production are owned by firms
- C. Only interactions in the product market reflect the value of national income
- D. Only interactions in the factor market reflect the value of national income
- 31. Saving in an economy is equal to
  - A. Saving by firms + saving by households
  - B. GDP government purchases
  - C. Private saving + public saving
  - D. Total final expenditure consumption expenditure
- 32. The value of the multiplier can fall because of
  - A. An increase in marginal propensity to import
  - B. A fall in marginal propensity to save
  - C. An increase in export
  - D. An increase in government spending on goods and services

Question 33 is based on table 3, showing the T-account for a hypothetical commercial bank. The figures are in million FCFA

Table 3

Liabilities	Assets	
Deposit	Cash	100
1,000	Loans	900
1,000	1,000	

- 33. What is the maximum amount of deposit this bank can make?
  - A. 800 million FCFA
  - B. 1,000 million FCFA
  - C. 9,000 million FCFA
  - D. 10,000 million FCFA
- 34. In choosing a commodity to serve as money, the most important characteristic must be that it is
  - A. Easily recognized
  - B. Portable

- C. Durable
- D. Generally acceptable

Question 35 is based on table 4 below

Table 4

Commodity	Expenditure	Price	Price
-	2005	Index	Index
	(FCFA)	2005	2007
Drinks	200	100	150
Housing	300	100	80
Food	500	100	120

- 35. The calculation of the weighted price index shows that between 2005 and 2007 the general price level rose by;
  - A. 50%
  - B. 16.6%
  - C. 14%
  - D. 5%
- 36. A regressive tax can be described as one which
  - A. Increases with income
  - B. Imposes a greater burden on the poor
  - C. Redistributes income in favour of the poor
  - D. Decreases proportionately with income
- 37. The hypothetical figures of a country's national debt are as follows:

National debt = 1,400 million FCFA

External debt = 560 million FCFA

Internal debt = 840 million FCFA,

what percentage of the national debt constitutes a real burden?

- A. 60%
- B. 40%
- C. 66%
- D. 66.6%
- 38. What expression is used to describe a situation where a new loan is contracted to pay off the existing one to reduce interest rate?
  - A. Refinancing a debt
  - B. Redeeming a debt
  - C. Re-marketing a debt

- D. Replacing a debt
- 39. In year 1, a country's visible imports totaled 1,000 billion FCFA and its balance of trade was 500 billion FCFA. In year 2, its visible imports fell in value by 4 percent. The balance of trade in year 2 was
  - A. 1,500 billion FCFA
  - B. 540 billion FCFA
  - C. 2,500 billion FCFA
  - D. 960 billion FCFA
- 40. Which of the following people will be pleased by the devaluation of the FCFA, everything being equal?
  - A. A Cameroonian tourist travelling to Europe
  - B. A Cameroonian importer of Japanese cars
  - C. A Spanish exporter of wine to Cameroon
  - D. A German importer of Cameroon wood
- 41. The adverse movements in the terms of trade means that
  - A. The volume of exports has fallen relative to the volume of import
  - B. The total value of exports has fallen relative to the total value of imports
  - C. The average price of exports has fallen relative to the average price of imports
  - D. The average price of imports has fallen relative to the average price of exports
- 42. Arbitrage is the process where
  - A. Exchange rates throughout the world are in equilibrium
  - B. Bills of exchange are discounted
  - C. The central bank intervenes in the exchange market
  - D. Currencies are bought in one center and immediately sold in another at a profit

- 43. The movement from any point inside to a point on the production possibilities curve is termed
  - A. Actual growth
  - B. Potential growth
  - C. Economic development
  - D. Economic growth
- 44. When a country increases the stock of capital per worker, increasing labour productivity, this is described as
  - A. Capital consumption
  - B. Capital accumulation
  - C. Capital deepening
  - D. Capital widening
- 45. A recession as a phase of a business cycle is characterized by
  - A. An increase in investment
  - B. Falling government expenditure on benefits
  - C. Increasing inflationary pressures
  - D. Increasing stocks of unsold goods
- 46. When the real source of money which may be from illegal sources, is hidden, this is described as
  - A. Money laundering
  - B. Hot money
  - C. Capital flight
  - D. Black money market
- 47. When production is carried out on the basis of the order placed by customers, this is known as
  - A. Batch production
  - B. Job production
  - C. Flow production
  - D. Flow-line production
- 48. The systematic procedure laid down by management concerning ordering, receiving, recording, issuing and accounting for stocks is known as