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- 1. All of the following items are limited EXCEPT
 - a. land
 - b. savings
 - c. desires
 - d. food
 - e. time
- 2. Unlike positive economists, normative economists
 - a. describe the behavior of the entire economy
 - b. analyze cause and effect
 - c. make value judgments
 - d. analyze a firm's behavior
 - e. focus on specific economic issues
- 3. When people use cost-benefit analysis to determine which trade-offs to make, they demonstrate
 - a. gains from trade
 - b. rationality
 - c. scarcity
 - d. opportunity cost
 - e. competition
- 4. Scarcity is the combination of unlimited desires and
 - a. limited resources
 - b. unlimited time
 - c. cost-benefit analyses
 - d. opportunity cost
 - e. specialization
- 5. Opportunity cost is the
 - a. cost of the next best action
 - b. total cost for to enter a market
 - c. benefit derived from taking any action
 - d. benefit derived from the next best action
 - e. economic value of the producer surplus
- 6. The law of supply means that the supply curve's slope is
 - a. infinite
 - b. decreasing
 - c. zero
 - d. negative
 - e. positive
- 7. Pareto efficiency maximizes
 - a. price elasticity of demand
 - b. consumer surplus
 - c. producer surplus
 - d. overall well-being
 - e. total revenue

- 8. The market demand schedule lists how much of a good
 - a. one buyer of the good will buy at each price
 - b. all buyers of the good will buy each month
 - c. all buyers of the good will buy each year
 - d. all buyers of the good will buy at each price
 - e. one buyer of the good will buy each month
- 9. The slope of a perfectly elastic demand curve is
 - a. greater than 2
 - b. (
 - c. between 1 and 2
 - d. between 0 and 1
 - e. :
- 10. The slope of a production possibility frontier curve is always
 - a.
 - b. positive
 - c. infinite
 - d. negative
 - e. 0
- 11. Economists assume that a firm's objective is to
 - a. minimize total costs
 - b. maximize profits
 - c. maximize total surplus
 - d. maximize efficiency
 - e. maximize consumer surplus
- 12. In a perfectly competitive market, firms earn
 - a. negative marginal revenue
 - b. zero economic profit
 - c. negative accounting profit
 - d. positive economic profit
 - e. zero accounting profit
- 13. A market possesses one supplier and a million buyers. This market is
 - a. perfectly competitive
 - b. an oligopoly
 - c. a cartel
 - d. monopolistically competitive
 - e. a monopoly
- 14. Why does the government make cartels illegal?
 - a. to discourage monopolistic competition
 - b. to reduce market competition
 - c. to encourage the formation of monopolies
 - d. to increase market competition
 - e. to ban oligopolies

- 15. Creative destruction describes the contribution of
 - a. monopolies
 - b. the government
 - c. entrepreneurs
 - d. producers
 - e. taxpayers
- 16. Perfect price discrimination eliminates
 - a. economic profits
 - b. producer surplus
 - c. taxes
 - d. consumer surplus
 - e. monopolistic competition
- 17. A factory pollutes a river. The polluted river causes health problems for the people who live downstream. The pollution is a(n)
 - a. negative externality
 - b. common resource
 - c. form of rent seeking
 - d. deadweight loss
 - e. example of pork barrel politics
- 18. What should be established to resolve the tragedy of the commons?
 - a. price discrimination
 - b. monopolistic competition
 - c. consumer surplus
 - d. deadweight loss
 - e. property rights
- 19. The government holds a monopoly on
 - a. the use of force
 - b. common resources
 - c. public goods
 - d. rent seeking
 - e. electricity
- 20. What does the area below market price and above the supply curve represent?
 - a. consumer surplus
 - b. total surplus
 - c. tax revenue
 - d. deadweight loss
 - e. producer surplus

- 21. Kale is an input for kale smoothies. The price of kale increases. What happens In the market for kale smoothies?
 - Both equilibrium price and equilibrium quantity decrease.
 - b. Equilibrium quantity decreases and equilibrium price increases.
 - c. Equilibrium price decreases and equilibrium quantity increases.
 - d. Equilibrium quantity decreases and equilibrium price stays the same.
 - e. Both equilibrium price and equilibrium quantity increase.
- 22. As income increases, people tend to save more, making savings a(n)
 - a. normal good
 - b. complement
 - c. inferior good
 - d. intermediate good
 - e. final good
- 23. Who sets the price in an informal market?
 - a. a market planner
 - b. an auctioneer
 - c. the producers
 - d. the government
 - e. the natural forces of equilibrium
- 24. Which of the following characteristics describes a perfectly competitive market?
 - a. small number of buyers
 - b. highly differentiated good
 - c. large number of sellers
 - d. buyers have control over the market price
 - e. lack of information about the market price
- 25. In the short-run, fixed costs
 - a. decrease at an increasing rate
 - b. decrease continuously
 - c. increase at an increasing rate
 - d. stay constant
 - e. increase continuously
- 26. What does a central bank do?
 - a. implements fiscal policy
 - b. regulates the supply of money
 - c. regulates aggregate demand
 - d. practices pork barrel politics
 - e. sets the real interest rate

- 27. The real interest rate is 5% and the rate of inflation is 3%. What is the nominal interest rate?
 - a. 8%
 - b. 15%
 - c. 3%
 - d. 5%
 - e. 2%
- 28. What is the relationship between the velocity of money (V), the money supply (M), real Gross Domestic Product (Y), and the price level (P)?
 - a. MV = PY
 - b. M = YPV
 - c. MVP = Y
 - d. M/V = Y/P
 - e. MY = PV
- 29. The United States runs a trade surplus, which means that
 - a. more goods are produced offshore
 - b. government spending exceeds tax revenue
 - c. more tax revenue derives from trade than from property
 - d. investment spending exceeds the level of savings
 - e. exports exceed imports
- 30. According to the Circular Flow Model, suppliers of the factors of production are
 - a. foreign consumers
 - b. the government
 - c. international firms
 - d. households
 - e. domestic firms
- 31. Gross Domestic Product only includes the value of all
 - a. intermediate goods and services
 - b. exported goods
 - c. capital goods
 - d. final goods and services
 - e. perfectly competitive goods and services
- 32. The level of income in a closed economy is equal to the level of
 - a. savings
 - b. taxes
 - c. investment
 - d. expenditures
 - e. foreign direct investment

- 33. Which entity calculates the Consumer Price Index?
 - a. Department of Agriculture
 - b. Department of Commerce
 - c. Department of the Interior
 - d. Bureau of Labor Statistics
 - e. Federal Reserve
- 34. People who purchase stock receive
 - a. dividends
 - b. government bonds
 - c. principal
 - d. interest payments
 - e. tax revenue
- 35. Inflation reflects
 - a. an increase in savings
 - b. the devaluation of currency
 - c. a reduction in savings
 - d. long-run economic decline
 - e. long-run economic growth
- 36. Which of the following types of spending are NOT included in the real Gross Domestic Product?
 - a. consumer nondurables
 - b. consumer durables
 - c. services
 - d. residential fixed investment
 - e. transfer payments
- 37. Which of the following goods is NOT a consumer nondurable?
 - a. a table
 - b. a sweater
 - c. plastic bags
 - d. pencils
 - e. grapes
- 38. Mutual funds are
 - a. a type of bond
 - b. a type of stock
 - c. financial intermediaries
 - d. participants in the market for goods and services
 - e. equivalent to banks
- 39. In a closed economy, savings always equals
 - a. investment
 - b. government spending
 - c. taxes
 - d. consumption
 - e. government savings

- 40. In order to conduct open market operations, the Federal Reserve buys and sells
 - a. private stocks
 - b. government stocks
 - c. mutual funds
 - d. private bonds
 - e. government bonds
- 41. Water is providing an ecosystem service when it
 - a. powers a grain mill
 - b. offers a beautiful view
 - c. is home to spawning salmon
 - d. sustains a tilapia farm
 - e. waters a field of corn
- 42. What type of resource is water, most often?
 - a. open-source
 - b. club
 - c. common-pool
 - d. private
 - e. public
- 43. A price schedule that charges more per unit as more water is used is called a(n)
 - a. constant marginal price
 - b. variable marginal price
 - c. increasing block rate
 - d. decreasing block rate
 - e. flat fee
- 44. When both actors in an exchange have bargaining power, they can create a(n)
 - a. oligopsony
 - b. monopsony
 - c. oligopoly
 - d. bilateral monopoly
 - e. duopoly
- 45. In which region of the United States did indigenous groups build canals?
 - a. northeast
 - b. midwest
 - c. southwest
 - d. southeast
 - e. northwest
- 46. In general, locating a new market for extracted water will lead to
 - a. fewer externalities
 - b. wasteful water use
 - c. higher pollution
 - d. higher prices
 - e. greater regulation

- 47. Which sector uses MOST water in Chile?
 - a. agriculture
 - b. manufacturing
 - c. research and development
 - d. tourism
 - e. mining
- 48. Dominion Energy is MOST involved with cleaning up
 - a. pesticide accumulation
 - b. coal ash
 - c. radioactive waste
 - d. plastic rubbish
 - e. nitrogen runoff
- 49. For what is the Cuyahoga River notorious?
 - a. depositing heavy metals
 - b. breaking a dam
 - c. becoming salinized
 - d. catching fire
 - e. drying up
- 50. Which heavy metal contaminated the water of Flint, Michigan?
 - a. mercury
 - b. cadmium
 - c. arsenic
 - d. mercury
 - e. lead

Econ Leveled Exam 02 Medium



- 1. How does the public make economic choices according to the concept of rationality?
 - a. favoring monetary gains over opportunity gains
 - b. selecting actions with the greatest overall benefit
 - c. consulting with expert economic professionals
 - d. using a budget to set aside money for savings
 - e. researching all options available to them
- 2. What is an inescapable fact of human existence?
 - a. scarcity
 - b. labor
 - c. education
 - d. profit
 - e. trade
- 3. Which of the following models is NOT a microeconomic model?
 - a. the short-run aggregate supply curve
 - b. the supply curve for juice
 - c. the marginal revenue curve
 - d. a perfectly competitive market
 - e. the demand curve for jewelry
- 4. Which of the following arguments poses a normative reason to raise the minimum wage?
 - Most minimum wage workers are in retail or food service jobs.
 - b. Workers should be able to support their families on their income.
 - c. The purchasing power of the minimum wage has decreased.
 - d. Minorities make up a disproportionate percentage of workers.
 - e. States have increased their wages above the federal standard.
- 5. On what condition do gains from trade benefit everyone?
 - a. Costs are the same for everyone.
 - b. Mutual benefits outweigh the costs
 - c. Each person provides the same output.
 - d. Resources are distributed equally.
 - e. Participation is involuntary.
- 6. Which of the following statements does NOT describe a perfectly competitive market?
 - a. There are a large number of producers.
 - b. There are large number of consumers.
 - c. Consumers have no control over the market price.
 - d. The good is highly standardized.
 - e. Producers control the market price.

- 7. According to the law of demand, the demand curve is
 - a. elastic
 - b. upward sloping
 - c. downward sloping
 - d. unit elastic
 - e. inelastic
- 8. Assume hand sanitizer and face masks are complements.

 The price of hand sanitizer increases. In the market for face masks,
 - a. the demand curve shifts inward
 - b. the demand curve shifts inward
 - c. the supply curve shifts inward
 - d. neither curve shifts
 - e. the supply curve shifts outward
- 9. Zoom Pro and Microsoft Teams are substitutes. The price of Zoom Pro rises. In the market for Microsoft Teams,
 - a. equilibrium quantity decreases and equilibrium price increases
 - b. both equilibrium quantity and price decrease
 - c. both equilibrium quantity and price increase
 - d. equilibrium price increases and equilibrium quantity stays the same
 - e. equilibrium quantity increases and equilibrium price decreases
- 10. The price of toilet paper falls from \$10 to \$9. As a result, the quantity supplied of toilet paper falls from 50 to 45. The price elasticity of supply for toilet paper is
 - a. 11/10
 - b. 1/5
 - c. 5
 - d. 1
 - e. 10/11
- 11. A public good has
 - a. no barriers of entry and no rivalry
 - b. no excludability or rivalry
 - c. low excludability and rivalry
 - d. low excludability and no rivalry
 - e. high barriers of entry and low rivalry
- 12. What causes the tragedy of the commons?
 - a. a decrease in total aggregate wages
 - b. a collapse of the national currency
 - c. a large bank run
 - d. a sudden short-term supply shock to the economy
 - e. a lack of ownership regarding negative market externalities

- An increase in the price of Neopets leads to an increase in demand for Tamagotchis. Relative to Neopets, Tamagotchis are a(n)
 - a. complementary good
 - b. rivalrous good
 - c. elastic good
 - d. substitute good
 - e. alternate good
- 14. The increase of cost for producers to output additional goods is the
 - a. fixed cost
 - b. variable cost
 - c. average cost
 - d. unit cost
 - e. marginal cost
- 15. What actor can resolve MOST externalities, according to Ronald Coase?
 - a. the private market
 - b. city or state officials
 - c. the public sector
 - d. the federal government
 - e. industry leaders
- 16. Which of the following markets behaves MOST like that of an inferior good?
 - a. airplane tickets
 - b. organic produce
 - c. inter-city bus service
 - d. brand-name clothing
 - e. discretionary travel
- 17. Taxation creates a difference between price and income known as
 - a. distortionary tax
 - b. consumer surplus
 - c. excess quota
 - d. economic efficiency
 - e. deadweight loss
- 18. What advantage do firms with market power have?
 - a. a majority market share in their industry
 - b. a product price that matches their cost
 - c. participation in a perfectly competitive market
 - d. an upward demand curve for their product
 - e. the ability to set prices within the market

- 19. The price of Zongzi is higher within Qin than in the rest of the world. If Qin opens its borders to trade, the market for Zongzi in Qin will see
 - a. lower domestic consumption
 - b. lower domestic production
 - c. higher consumer surplus
 - d. reduced domestic prices
 - e. lower producer surplus
- 20. A rapid antigen test costs \$60. Snigdha is willing to pay \$70 and Arjun is willing to pay \$90. What is consumer surplus?
 - a. \$60
 - b. \$10
 - c. \$40
 - d. \$30
 - e. \$20
- 21. Which of the following changes makes supply more elastic?
 - a. decreasing the amount of available resources
 - b. adding to the length of production time
 - c. decreasing the amount of inventory on hand
 - d. limiting the amount of time to respond
 - e. making it easier for firms to enter the marketplace
- 22. Which of the following goods has a perfectly inelastic supply?
 - a. first-edition Dickens novels
 - b. AIA life insurance policies
 - c. Van Gogh posters
 - d. National Steel construction beams
 - e. Taiwanese semiconductors
- 23. One production possibility frontier surpasses another on every point. The first producer has
 - a. producer surplus
 - b. gain from trade
 - c. absolute advantage
 - d. comparative increase
 - e. specialization benefit
- 24. Which of the following long-term outcomes is NOT expected of rent control?
 - a. attracting more renters to the area
 - b. landlords spending less on maintenance
 - c. demand outpacing available supply
 - d. fewer apartments being available
 - e. demand becoming inelastic over time

- 25. When do monopolies produce an outcome like that expected of competitive markets?
 - a. They maintain separate branding for each division of the company.
 - b. They offer fewer levels of service to streamline operations.
 - c. They enact price discrimination between various customers.
 - d. They allow smaller companies to use their established framework.
 - e. They establish corporate offices in multiple locations.
- 26. How does Keynes's model for short-run fluctuations show expected inflation?
 - a. The short-run aggregate supply curve shifts upward rapidly and then reverts to its original position.
 - The aggregate demand curve shifts inward and then either expansionary monetary policy or expansionary fiscal policy shifts it back outward.
 - The long-run aggregate demand curve shifts outward and potential output stays at its new level.
 - d. The aggregate demand curve shifts outward and the short-run aggregate supply curve shifts upward so that they intersect at potential output.
 - e. The aggregate demand curve shifts outward and the long-run aggregate supply curve shifts outward to compensate.
- 27. If the Federal Reserve exercises contractionary monetary policy,
 - a. the value of money will decrease and the money supply will increase
 - b. both the value of money and the money supply will decrease
 - c. both the value of money and the money supply will increase
 - d. the money supply will decrease and the value of money will stay the same
 - e. the value of money will increase and the money supply will decrease
- 28. Which of the following situations is NOT an example of investment spending?
 - a. Patrick purchases a new apartment.
 - b. Ned, the owner of a factory, purchases new equipment.
 - c. Martha stores jars of strawberry jam that she is currently unable to sell.
 - d. Sandy buys a new house.
 - e. Sanjay purchases stocks of a social media company.

- 29. Consumers suddenly want to carry more money. In the money market, the value of money
 - a. stays the same but the money supply increases
 - b. increases and the money supply decreases
 - c. and the money supply increase
 - d. increases but the money supply does not change
 - e. and the money supply decrease
- 30. Why does an increase in oil prices NOT affect the long-run aggregate supply?
 - a. The neutrality of money indicates that in the long run, prices will adjust back to normal.
 - b. An increase in oil prices will only affect business spending and therefore only changes aggregate demand.
 - c. The government immediately exercises expansionary fiscal policy to balance the increase in oil prices.
 - d. Long-run aggregate supply only reflects changes in the price of domestically produced goods.
 - e. An increase in oil prices will only affect the nominal Gross Domestic Product.
- 31. In the long-run, the supply curve in the market for money is
 - a. downward sloping
 - b. upward sloping
 - c. horizontal
 - d. backward bending
 - e. vertical
- 32. Which of the following categories does the natural rate of unemployment include?
 - a. technical unemployment
 - b. natural unemployment
 - c. frictional unemployment
 - d. seasonal unemployment
 - e. cyclical unemployment
- 33. Which type of loan involves the discount rate?
 - a. a loan from an individual to a bank
 - b. a loan to a bank from the Federal Reserve
 - c. money sent from one person to another
 - d. a reserve lent from one bank to another bank
 - e. a loan from a bank to an individual

- 34. "Crowding out" refers to the tendency of government deficits to lead to a
 - a. decrease in private investment
 - b. reduction in private interest rates
 - c. increase in federal tax revenue
 - d. acceleration of high inflation
 - e. contraction in overall fiscal policy
- 35. Which situation would be LEAST likely to affect the aggregate supply curve?
 - a. a decrease in governmental regulations
 - b. an increase in skilled industry workers
 - c. an OPEC-initiated oil embargo
 - d. an overall increase in household incomes
 - e. a favorable crop year nationwide
- 36. What does the Consumer Price Index measure?
 - a. the average price of goods across all markets in the country
 - b. the cost of a representative selection of consumer goods
 - c. the range of prices consumers are willing to pay
 - d. the cost of a selection of groceries in various markets
 - e. the sum of household expenditures every month
- 37. Since 1900, the average labor productivity of the United States economy has grown by a factor of approximately
 - a. sixteen
 - b. two
 - c. four
 - d. thirty-two
 - e. eight
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- 39. When the economy is in a recession,
 - a. the natural rate of unemployment rises
 - b. structural unemployment rises
 - c. frictional unemployment rises
 - d. cyclical unemployment rises
 - e. the labor force participation rate falls
- 40. According to Okun's law, an 8% increase in the output gap when output is above potential output corresponds to a(n)
 - a. 4% decrease in the unemployment rate
 - b. 16% decrease in the rate of cyclical unemployment
 - c. 8% decrease in the rate of cyclical unemployment
 - d. 4% decrease in the rate of cyclical unemployment
 - e. 16% decrease in the unemployment rate
- 41. In which organization did owners help construct a ditch in exchange for access to the water?
 - a. irrigation district
 - b. public utility
 - c. mutual ditch company
 - d. diversion dam company
 - e. acequia
- 42. This line of longitude separates the Eastern United States from the Western United States.
 - a. 105th meridian
 - b. 75th meridian
 - c. 112th meridian
 - d. 90th meridian
 - e. 98th meridian
- 43. What is true of appropriative rights?
 - a. They are granted when actors build irrigation infrastructure.
 - b. Their primary goal is to ensure a stable supply of
 - c. They are subject to state rather than federal control.
 - d. They do not require ownership of the land.
 - e. They are distributed according to principles of equity.
- 44. Which of the following devices save 10 to 35% of water compared to others?
 - a. flood irrigation systems
 - b. diversion dams
 - c. sprinklers
 - d. jumbo rigs
 - e. groundwater pumps

- 45. The Aral Sea watershed lies alongside Kazakhstan and
 - a. Kyrgyzstan
 - b. Turkmenistan
 - c. Uzbekistan
 - d. Georgia
 - e. Azerbaijan
- 46. Into which California lake have diversions reduced inflow to zero?
 - a. Donner Lake
 - b. Shasta Lake
 - c. Lake Havasu
 - d. Owens Lake
 - e. Lake Sonoma
- 47. Elinor Ostrom would be BEST suited to advise a(n)
 - a. city wishing to change its water supplier
 - b. individual negotiating with a private canal company
 - group of countries situated above a common aquifer
 - d. environmental working group studying a development plan
 - e. indigenous nation advocating for its ancestral water rights
- 48. What is the BEST definition of an externality?
 - a. an exception that allows firms or individuals to do something without regulatory oversight
 - a circumstance in which one party can produce more of something with the same amount of effort and resources
 - c. a measurement of the capital that a firm holds after deducting liabilities to outsiders other than shareholders
 - d. a situation in which one party's actions affect the well-being of another without monetary consequences
 - e. a method of reducing risk by taking on new risk that offsets an existing one
- 49. Under what circumstances is a pollution hot spot MOST likely to arise?
 - a. A region experiences an unexpected drought.
 - Several cities collude to take water away from a downstream region.
 - A new diversion dam is built to divert water to a city.
 - Many firms purchase pollution credits in the same area.
 - e. Regulators fail to properly assess a firm's polluting output.

- 50. Which type of project is MOST likely to require purchasing many credits from a private mitigation bank?
 - a. cleaning up a coal ash pit
 - b. building a suburban high school
 - c. developing a new urban center
 - d. repairing a streamside watermill
 - e. expanding a small family farm

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- 1. How do trade-offs produce opportunity costs?
 - a. Trade-offs create opportunity costs for those that fail to participate.
 - Since you must give up something to get something, the value of what you give up becomes your opportunity cost.
 - c. Trade-offs eliminate gains from trade, creating opportunity costs for everyone involved.
 - d. Trade-offs create scarcity and scarcity creates opportunity cost.
 - e. Having to deal with a trade-off is a part of the opportunity cost of an action.
- 2. According to rationality, people always
 - a. correctly calculate the costs and benefits of an action
 - b. consciously weigh the costs and benefits of an action
 - c. have to give up something to get something else
 - d. trade because they receive gains from trade
 - e. select the action perceived to produce the greatest benefit at the least cost
- 3. How can a situation be Pareto efficient while not maximizing total welfare?
 - a. All resources are used, but they are divided unevenly so that some receive more than others.
 - b. The resources are given to the consumers who value them the least.
 - The distribution of resources is carried out by a third party.
 - d. One person's well-being can be improved without reducing another person's well-being.
 - e. Not all available resources are used.
- 4. If everyone on Earth had the same skills, which of the following basic assumptions would not exist?
 - a. opportunity cost
 - b. rationality
 - c. trade-offs
 - d. scarcity
 - e. gains from trade
- 5. According to the law of supply, the supply curve is
 - a. elastic
 - b. unit elastic
 - c. downward sloping
 - d. inelastic
 - e. upward sloping

- 6. As income decreases, people tend to purchase more flour at every price. Therefore, flour is a(n)
 - a. public good
 - b. inferior good
 - c. normal good
 - d. complement
 - e. substitute
- 7. How does a change in the price of toothpaste affect the supply curve for toothpaste?
 - a. The supply curve shifts downward.
 - b. The supply curve shifts inward.
 - c. The supply curve shifts outward.
 - d. The change does not affect the supply curve.
 - e. The supply curve shifts upward.
- 8. Assume bottled water is a normal good. Consumer income rises. In the market for bottled water
 - a. both equilibrium price and quantity decrease
 - b. both equilibrium price and quantity increase
 - c. equilibrium price increases but equilibrium quantity stays the same
 - d. equilibrium price decreases and equilibrium quantity increases
 - e. equilibrium price increases and equilibrium quantity decreases
- 9. The price of rice falls from \$5.00 to \$4.99 a bag. As a result, the quantity supplied of rice falls from 100 bags to 0 bags. The supply of rice is
 - a. unit elastic
 - b. inelastic
 - c. elastic
 - d. perfectly elastic
 - e. perfectly inelastic
- 10. Firm X has diminishing returns to scale. If the marginal revenue is \$38 and the marginal cost is \$31, the firm should
 - a.
 - Ь.
 - c. increase production
 - d. reduce fixed-costs
 - e. spend more on labor

- 11. Which of the following circumstances does NOT describe a monopoly situation?
 - NASA being the sole purchaser of space shuttles in the domestic market
 - b. author J.K. Rowling owning the copyright to her book series
 - the government granting patent rights to the inventor of a new gadget
 - d. a single company providing all electricity distribution to a community
 - e. Amtrak servicing the only railway connection between two cities
- 12. A cupcake shop sells 50 cupcakes a day at \$5 per cupcake. The shop's fixed costs are \$50 per day and the supplies needed to make one cupcake cost \$2 per cupcake. What is the shop's daily accounting profit?
 - a. \$10
 - b. \$100
 - c. \$20
 - d. \$50
 - e. \$250
- 13. Which of the following characteristics does NOT apply to both monopolies and perfectly competitive firms?
 - a. They set output at the point where marginal cost equals marginal revenue.
 - b. They seek to maximize accounting profits.
 - c. Their marginal revenue is downward sloping.
 - d. They seek to maximize economic profits.
 - e. They earn positive accounting profits.
- 14. The existence of differentiated products in a monopolistically competitive market tends to
 - a. reduce producer surplus
 - b. reduce marginal revenue
 - c. increase consumer surplus
 - d. increase marginal revenue
 - e. reduce economic profits

- 15. Why does a monopoly create deadweight loss?
 - Monopolies implement price discrimination so that the market price is higher than the socially optimal amount.
 - b. Deadweight loss is always created when market power exists.
 - c. Monopolies seek to differentiate their goods from those of other producers and this extra effort creates deadweight loss.
 - d. Monopolies implement rent seeking, creating unnecessary expenditures that make up deadweight loss.
 - e. Monopolies restrict quantity supplied in order to create economic profits so that quantity supplied is below the socially optimal amount.
- 16. Producers and consumers of sanitizing wipes expect that the price of sanitizing wipes will fall soon. How does this belief affect the market's equilibrium price and quantity?
 - a. Equilibrium quantity will increase but the change in equilibrium price cannot be determined from the given information.
 - Equilibrium quantity will decrease but the change in equilibrium price cannot be determined from the given information.
 - c. Equilibrium price will increase but the change in equilibrium quantity cannot be determined from the given information.
 - d. The changes in equilibrium price and quantity cannot be determined from the given information.
 - Equilibrium price will decrease but the change in equilibrium quantity cannot be determined from the given information.
- 17. Sanjay paid \$200 for equipment and \$100 per day for the ingredients necessary to make and sell 50 scarves. If Sanjay were not a knitter, he could earn \$250 per day as a surfing instructor. Sanjay's economic cost per day is
 - a. \$100
 - b. \$6
 - c. \$550
 - d. \$250
 - e. \$300

- 18. Why does possession of more modernized equipment fail to give one producer a comparative advantage over another producer?
 - a. It provides an absolute advantage and absolute advantage is always paired with comparative disadvantage.
 - It provides an absolute advantage, but the opportunity cost of production may still be high.
 - Modernized equipment does not eliminate deadweight loss, so comparative advantage does not exist.
 - d. The government taxes modernized equipment, eliminating the potential for a comparative advantage.
 - e. The cost of the new equipment cancels out whatever benefit the new equipment brings.
- 19. The demand for oranges is elastic. The supply for oranges is inelastic. Why does a tax on oranges burden suppliers more than consumers?
 - a. Consumers can change their consumption patterns more easily in response to the tax than suppliers can change their production patterns.
 - b. The deadweight loss from a tax is taken out of producer surplus since supply is the more inelastic curve.
 - c. The tax revenue is taken out of producer surplus since supply is the more inelastic curve.
 - d. Producer surplus is lower than consumer surplus if supply is inelastic, so a tax will reduce consumer surplus more.
 - e. Taxes always only burden producers while consumers are not affected.
- 20. In what MAIN way are cartels vulnerable?
 - a. Cartels are a major target of government taxes.
 - b. The government strictly regulates cartel formation and often intervenes in cartel decision-making.
 - Each supplier within a cartel is tempted to lower its own price below the set price to increase revenue.
 - d. Cartels are often subject to price controls which impose price floors on the prices they can charge consumers.
 - e. Cartels only provide common resources and are therefore vulnerable to the tragedy of the commons.

- 21. Why do entrepreneurs make positive economic profits?
 - a. they receive part of the government's tax revenue
 - b. They have lower opportunity costs than other producers.
 - c. They receive profits from the markets they destroy.
 - d. The government ensures that they have a monopoly on the production of their good.
 - e. they practice price discrimination, which allows them to collect profits
- 22. A previously closed economy opens to trade. In its strawberries market, producer surplus decreases while consumer surplus increases. What conclusion can you draw?
 - a. The domestic demand for strawberries is inelastic.
 - b. The original domestic price of strawberries was lower than the world price.
 - c. The domestic supply of strawberries is elastic.
 - d. The domestic demand for strawberries is elastic.
 - e. The original domestic price of strawberries was greater than the world price.
- 23. The government imposes a \$0.10/unit tax on bubble tea. The quantity of bubble tea sold falls from 500 to 400. What is the tax's revenue?
 - a. \$400
 - b. \$100
 - c. \$.40
 - d. \$.50
 - e. \$40
- 24. Which of the following situations is NOT an example of price discrimination?
 - a. splitting passengers into first-class and economy
 - b. a storewide sale
 - c. distributing coupons to "valued customers"
 - d. lower prices for seniors and toddlers
 - e. need-based financial aid
- 25. Everyone suddenly has an irrepressible desire to go shopping. In the money market, the
 - a. value of money increases while the supply of money stays the same
 - b. the supply of money and the value of money stay the same
 - c. value of money decreases while the supply of money stays the same
 - d. supply of money increases while the value of money stays the same
 - e. supply of money decreases while the value of money stays the same

- 26. Which of the following expenditures does investment NOT include?
 - a. a store's purchase of goods for its inventory
 - b. a firm's purchase of company cars
 - c. a family's purchase of a house
 - d. a firm financing a new plant by issuing stock
 - e. a firm buying stock in another firm
- 27. One coffeemaker is worth 3 pillowcases. In one year, an economy makes 50 coffeemakers and 100 pillowcases. In that year, a coffeemaker costs \$30 and a pillowcase costs \$10. What is the real Gross Domestic Product in that year?
 - a. 250 pillowcases
 - b. 150 pillowcases
 - c. \$1000
 - d. \$2500
 - e. \$1500
- 28. How do wealth effects explain the downward slope of the aggregate demand curve?
 - a. At higher price levels, the prices of bonds also increases, increasing investment spending.
 - b. At higher price levels, consumers have less purchasing power, reducing consumption spending.
 - At higher price levels, inflation causes confusion about the real interest rate, lowering investment spending.
 - d. At lower price levels, foreigners have more purchasing power, increasing net exports.
 - e. At lower price levels, the government reduces taxes, increasing consumption spending.
- 29. Which of the following situations is an example of fiat money?
 - a. coupons received in a classroom that can be exchanged for candy
 - b. a purchase of foreign currency at a favorable exchange rate
 - c. a barter set up to receive a used car in exchange for housekeeping
 - d. precious metals, like gold or silver
 - e. cigarettes traded by prisoners for goods and services

- 30. Why do economists NOT include intermediate goods in calculations of the GDP?
 - a. The GDP only includes finished items.
 - b. They already appear in the GDP as revenue for the originating firm.
 - c. The price of the final product already reflects these goods.
 - d. They are a negligibly small portion of the total market share.
 - e. Since they are used up during production, they have no value.
- 31. The Consumer Price Index for 2012 is 120. The cost of the market basket in 2012 was \$240. In the base year, the market basket cost
 - a. \$200
 - Ь. \$228
 - c. \$240
 - d. \$288
 - e. \$120
- 32. How does Keynes's model for short-run fluctuations show expected inflation?
 - The aggregate demand curve shifts outward and the short-run aggregate supply curve shifts upward so that they intersect at potential output.
 - b. The aggregate demand curve shifts inward and then either expansionary monetary policy or expansionary fiscal policy shifts it back outward.
 - c. The long-run aggregate demand curve shifts outward and potential output stays at its new level.
 - The short-run aggregate supply curve shifts upward rapidly and then reverts to its original position.
 - e. The aggregate demand curve shifts outward and the long-run aggregate supply curve shifts outward to compensate.
- 33. Which of the following transactions would NOT be factored into the expenditures method?
 - a. A domestic resident purchases a foreign-made children's toy.
 - b. A firm purchases a piece of new machinery as an investment.
 - c. A foreigner purchases a domestically produced pair of jeans.
 - d. The government pays Anne \$4000 as part of a welfare program.
 - e. The government gives Sarah \$4000 as part of a Social Security payment.

- 34. How does the Consumer Price Index differ from the Gross Domestic Product deflator?
 - a. The Consumer Price Index measures changes in the price level while the Gross Domestic Product deflator measures total production.
 - b. The Consumer Price Index uses a fixed market basket while the Gross Domestic Product deflator's market basket changes depending on production.
 - The Consumer Price Index is measured annually while the Gross Domestic Product deflator is measured quarterly.
 - d. The Consumer Price Index is measured by the Department of Commerce while the Gross Domestic Product deflator is measured by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.
 - e. The Gross Domestic Product deflator usually overstates the cost of living while the Consumer Price Index understates the cost of living.
- 35. Hackers find employment in the black market. This employment is not reported. Which statistic is overestimated?
 - a. the labor force participation rate
 - b. the employment rate
 - c. structural unemployment
 - d. cyclical unemployment
 - e. frictional unemployment
- 36. How is the real interest rate correlated with another metric in the bond market?
 - a. positively, with the CPI
 - b. negatively, with the nominal interest rate
 - c. negatively, with the maturity of the bond
 - d. positively, with the risk the borrower will default
 - e. negatively, with the GDP deflator
- 37. Which of the following statements CORRECTLY describes the money market?
 - a. The money supply is elastic with respect to the value of money.
 - b. The money supply is perfectly inelastic with respect to the value of money.
 - c. The demand for money is perfectly elastic with respect to the value of money
 - d. The money supply is inelastic with respect to the value of money.
 - e. The demand for money is unit elastic with respect to the value of money.

- 38. Compared to the graph of the supply of money measured using M1, the graph of the supply of money measured using M2 is
 - a. shifted inward
 - b. shifted outward
 - c. less elastic
 - d. more elastic
 - e. the same
- According to the Keynesian model for short-run fluctuations, a sudden, sharp increase in the price of water immediately leads to
 - a. a decrease in the price level
 - b. an inward shift in the long-run aggregate supply curve
 - c. a decrease in Real Gross Domestic Product
 - d. an outward shift in the aggregate demand curve
 - e. sharp deflation
- 40. The Federal Reserve practices expansionary monetary policy. According to the Keynesian model for short-run fluctuations,
 - a. long-run aggregate supply will shift outward
 - b. both real Gross Domestic Product and the price level will rise
 - c. real Gross Domestic Product will rise and the price level will fall
 - d. both real Gross Domestic Product and the price level will fall
 - e. short-run aggregate supply will shift downward
- 41. The Akosombo Dam lies on the
 - a. Rio Grande
 - b. White Nile
 - c. Volta
 - d. Piave
 - e. Colorado
- 42. Low excludability and high rivalry are characteristic of
 - a. club goods
 - b. common-pool goods
 - c. toll goods
 - d. public goods
 - e. private goods
- 43. Economies of scale come into play when quantity produced increases and
 - a. quantity demanded decreases
 - b. taxation increases
 - c. marginal cost decreases
 - d. total cost decreases
 - e. pricing increases

- 44. One outcome of the San Francisco earthquake was
 - a. rapid population growth in the Bay Areas
 - b. the construction of the first desalination plant
 - c. more highly polluted water
 - d. increased price of water
 - e. the shift to municipal water control
- 45. Which industry collapsed because of diversions away from the Aral Sea?
 - a. mining
 - b. fishing
 - c. smelting
 - d. farming
 - e. refining
- 46. Which principle states that consumers choose between goods in order to maximize utility?
 - a. invisible hand principle
 - b. equimarginal principle
 - c. free trade principle
 - d. equity principle
 - e. motivation principle
- 47. Which types of rights are more common in western states than in other regions?
 - a. natural rights
 - b. littoral rights
 - c. riparian rights
 - d. instream flow rights
 - e. contractual rights

- 48. The optimal level regulations occur where the marginal control cost equals the
 - a. negative marginal cost
 - b. external marginal cost
 - c. internal marginal cost
 - d. social marginal damage
 - e. marginal cost of supply
- 49. Supply and demand determine the price of pollution permits in a
 - a. nutrient credit market
 - b. common-pool market
 - c. cap-and-trade system
 - d. mutual water market
 - e. regulatory standards system
- 50. The North Carolina Department of Energy allows nutrient allocation trades between
 - a. individual households
 - b. point source polluters
 - c. urban developers
 - d. public utilities
 - e. private mitigation banks