

- 21** The table shows information about a country whose consumers spend their income on three commodities, P, Q and R.

commodity	index of prices in year 1	index of prices in year 2	consumers' expenditure in year 1
P	100	160	\$100 million
Q	100	80	\$300 million
R	100	100	\$100 million

Between year 1 and year 2 how has the general level of prices changed?

- A** It has risen by 40%.
 - B** It has risen by 10%.
 - C** It has remained the same.
 - D** It has fallen by 5%.
- 22** The UK inflation rate as measured by the Consumer Price Index was 5.2% in September 2011. In June 2014 the UK inflation rate as measured by the Consumer Price Index was 1.6%.

What can definitely be concluded about the period September 2011 to June 2014?

- A** Fixed income earners had increased purchasing power.
 - B** Prices were falling.
 - C** The rate of price increases was slowing.
 - D** The real rate of interest became positive.
- 23** If a country has a surplus in its balance of payments then its money supply is likely to
- A** fall because more of its goods were purchased by foreign consumers than by consumers at home.
 - B** increase because the foreign currency received for exports will be exchanged for domestic currency.
 - C** remain constant because the surplus is automatically offset by a loan for the deficit countries.
 - D** remain unchanged because its exports are bought with foreign currency.