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Principles of Economics (PART II)

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All questions carry equal marks.

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- 1. Which of the following statements is correct?
 - a. The value of all intermediate goods and final goods is included in GDP.
 - b. The value of intermediate goods is included in GDP only if those goods were produced in the previous year.
 - c. The value of intermediate goods is included in GDP only if those goods are added to firms' inventories to be used or sold at a later date.
 - d. The value of intermediate goods is never included in GDP.
- 2. Which of the following items is included in GDP?
 - a. the sale of stocks and bonds
 - b. the estimated rental value of owner-occupied housing
 - c. unpaid production of goods and services at home
 - d. All of the above are included in GDP.
- 3. A country reported a nominal GDP of \$115 billion in 2006 and \$125 billion in 2005; it reported a GDP deflator of 85 in 2006 and a deflator of 100 in 2005. Between 2005 and 2006,
 - a. real output and the price level both rose.
 - b. real output rose and the price level fell.
 - c. real output fell and the price level rose.
 - d. real output and the price level both fell.
- 4. Suppose an apartment complex converts to a condominium, so that the former renters are now owners of their housing units. Suppose further that a current estimate of the value of the condominium owners' housing services is the same as the rent they previously paid. What happens to GDP as a result of this conversion?
 - a. GDP necessarily increases.
 - b. GDP necessarily decreases.
 - c. GDP is unaffected because neither the rent nor the estimate of the value of housing services is included in GDP.
 - d. GDP is unaffected because previously the rent payments were included in GDP, and now the rent payments are replaced in GDP by the estimate of the value of housing services.
- 5. Goods that go into inventory and are not sold during the current period are
 - a. counted as intermediate goods and so are not included in current period GDP.
 - b. counted in current GDP only if the firm that produced them sells them to another firm.
 - c. included in current period GDP as inventory investment.
 - d. included in current period GDP as consumption.

- 6. Assume an economy experienced a higher inflation rate, as measured by the CPI, between 2004 and 2005 than it experienced between 2003 and 2004. Which of the following scenarios is consistent with this assumption?
 - a. The CPI was 100 in 2003, 110 in 2004, and 120 in 2005.
 - b. The CPI was 100 in 2003, 110 in 2004, and 124 in 2005.
 - c. The CPI was 110 in 2003, 150 in 2004, and 200 in 2005.
 - d. All of the above are correct.
- 7. The substitution bias in the consumer price index refers to the
 - a. substitution by consumers of new goods for old goods.
 - b. substitution by consumers of a smaller number of high-quality goods for a larger number of low-quality goods.
 - c. fact that consumers substitute toward goods that have become relatively less expensive.
 - d. substitution of new prices for old prices in the CPI basket of goods and services from one year to the next.
- 8. By not taking into account the possibility of consumer substitution, the CPI
 - a. understates the cost of living.
 - b. overstates the cost of living.
 - c. may overstate or understate the cost of living, depending on how much prices rise.
 - d. may overstate or understate the cost of living, regardless of the extent to which prices rise.
- 9. The consumer price index (CPI) and the GDP deflator are two alternative measures of the overall price level. Which of the following statements about the two measures is correct?
 - a. The CPI involves a base year; the GDP deflator does not involve a base year.
 - b. The CPI can be used to compute the inflation rate; the GDP deflator cannot be used to compute the inflation rate.
 - c. The CPI reflects the prices of goods and services produced domestically; the GDP deflator reflects the prices of all goods and services bought by consumers.
 - d. The CPI reflects a fixed basket of goods and services; the GDP deflator reflects current production of goods and services.
- 10. The 2005 CPI was 196 and the 1982 CPI was 96.5. If your parents put aside \$1,000 for you in 1982, how much would you have needed in 2005 in order to buy what you could have bought with the \$1,000 in 1982?
 - a. \$1,834.20
 - b. \$2,031.09
 - c. \$2,308.89
 - d. None of the above is correct.
- 11. Which of the following is considered human capital?
 - a. the comfortable chair in your dorm room where you read economics texts
 - b. the amount you get paid each week to work at the library
 - c. the things you have learned this semester
 - d. any capital goods that require a human to be present to operate
- 12. Technological knowledge refers to
 - a. human capital.
 - b. available information on how to produce things.
 - c. resources expended transmitting society's understanding to the labor force.
 - d. All of the above are technological knowledge.
- 13. Accumulating capital
 - a. requires that society sacrifice consumption goods in the present.
 - b. allows society to consume more in the present.
 - c. decreases saving rates.
 - d. has no tradeoffs.

- 14. If there are diminishing returns to capital, then
 - a. capital produces fewer goods as it ages.
 - b. old ideas are not as useful as new ones.
 - c. increases in the capital stock eventually decrease output.
 - d. increases in the capital stock increase output by ever smaller amounts.
- 15. The catch-up effect refers to the idea that
 - a. saving will always catch-up with investment spending.
 - b. it is easier for a country to grow fast and so catch-up if it starts out relatively poor.
 - c. population eventually catches-up with increased output.
 - d. if investment spending is low, increased saving will help investment to "catch-up."
- 16. Suppose that in a closed economy GDP is equal to 11,000, Taxes are equal to 1,500, Consumption equals 7,500, and Government purchases equal 2,000. What is national saving?
 - a. -500
 - b. 0
 - c. 1500
 - d. None of the above is correct.
- 17. A bond is a
 - a. financial intermediary.
 - b. certificate of indebtedness.
 - c. certificate of partial ownership in an enterprise.
 - d. None of the above is correct.
- 18. Fred sells newly issued bonds. Ethel sells newly issued stocks. Who uses direct finance?
 - a. Only Fred.
 - b. Only Ethel.
 - c. Both Fred and Ethel.
 - d. Neither Fred nor Ethel.
- 19. People who buy newly issued stock in a corporation such as Crate and Barrel provide
 - a. debt finance and so become part owners of Crate and Barrel.
 - b. debt finance and so become creditors of Crate and Barrel.
 - c. equity finance and so become part owners of Crate and Barrel.
 - d. equity finance and so become creditors of Crate and Barrel.
- 20. In the language of macroeconomics, investment refers to
 - a. saving.
 - b. the purchase of new capital.
 - c. the purchase of stocks, bonds, or mutual funds.
 - d. All of the above are correct.

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9	D
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11	С
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18	С
19	С
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