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1.

In a monopolistically competitive industry,

	Student Response		Correct Answer	Feedback
1.	there are barriers to exit.			
2.	there are barriers to entry.			
3.	there are few sellers.			
₽4.	each firm in the industry produces a slightly differentiated product.	100%	✓	

Score: 1/1

Comments:

2.

The monopolistic competitor faces a _____ demand curve.

	Student Value Response	Correct Answer	Feedback
1.	vertical		
2.	upward- sloping		
₽3.	downward- 100% sloping	✓	
4.	horizontal		

Score: 1/1

3.

If a monopolistically competitive firm raises its price, then

	Student Response	Value	Correct Answer	Feedback
1.	this is a trick question because the firm does not have the ability to change its price.			
2.	it should expect to lose some, but not all, of its customers.	100%	✓	
3.	it should expect to lose all of its customers because there are many other sellers of the product.			
4.	it can sell all it wants because it faces a horizontal demand curve.			
5.	it will be able to increase its profits.			

Score:

1/1

	Student Response	Value	Correct Answer	Feedback
	perfect competitors produce the quantity of output at which marginal revenue equals marginal cost and monopolistic competitors do not.			
₽2.	perfect competitors produce a homogeneous product and monopolistic competitors do not.	100%	✓	
3.	there is easy entry and exit for a perfect competitor, but not for a monopolistic competitor.			
4.	1 and 3			
5.	2 and 3			

Comments:

5.

The monopolistic competitor produces the output at which

	Student Response		Correct Answer	Feedback
₽ 1.	marginal revenue equals marginal cost.	100%	M	
2.	price equals			

marginal cost.	
 average total cost is at a minimum. 	
4. there is resource allocative efficiency.	

Comments:

6.

The excess capacity theorem states that a monopolistic competitor

	Student Response	Value	Correct Answer	Feedback
3 1.	generally does not attain long- run equilibrium, and thus charges a higher price than it should.	0%		
2.	will produce an output level smaller than the one that would minimize its unit costs.		✓	
3.	typically produces too much of a good at too low a quality.			
4.	will produce an output level where MR > MC.			

Score: 0/1

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7.

Generally, the monopolistic competitor is in long-run equilibrium when

	Student Response		Correct Answer	Feedback
2 1.	MR = MC and P = ATC.	100%	✓	
2.	P = MC = ATC.			
3.	P = MC and P > ATC.			
4.	MR = MC = ATC.			
5.	2 and 4			

Score:

1/1

Comments:

8.

There are few sellers in

	Student Response		Correct Answer	Feedback
1.	a perfectly competitive market structure.			
2.	a monopolistic market structure.			
3.	a monopolistically competitive market structure.			
4 .	an oligopolistic market structure.	100%	✓	

Score:

1/1

"Mutual interdependence" implies that firms in an industry

	Student Response	Value	Correct Answer	Feedback
1.	are so large and powerful that they do not need to consider how their actions will affect their rivals.			
2.	must consider the most likely reactions of their rivals to a change in price.	100%		
3.	must depend on one another to maintain consumers' interest in their "mutual" product.			
4.	are independent of one another and are essentially price takers.			

Comments:

10.

According to the kinked demand curve theory, in an oligopolistic market structure $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right) +$

Student Value Correct Response Answer	
 if a firm raises its price, other 	

firms will raise their prices. $\frac{1}{2}$ the 0% portion of a firm's demand curve below current price is highly elastic. \checkmark 3. the portion of a firm's demand curve above current price is highly elastic. 4. if a firm lowers its price, other firms will not lower their prices.

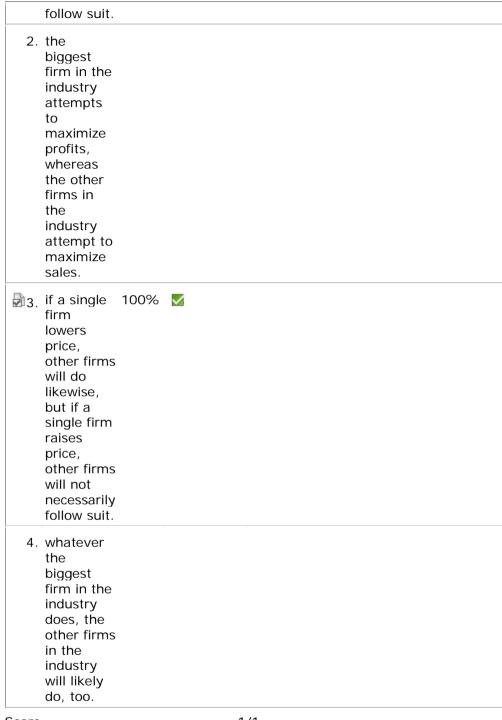
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11.

The behavioral assumption in the kinked demand curve theory is that

Student Response	Value Correct Answer	Feedback
1. if a single firm raises price, other firms will do likewise, but if a single firm lowers price, other firms will not necessarily		



Refer to Exhibit 10-2. The firm currently charges what price for the product it sells?

	Student Response		Correct Answer	Feedback
1.	P ₂			
2.	P ₄			
₽3.	P ₁	100%	\checkmark	
4.	P ₃			

Score: 1/1

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13.

Exhibit 10-2

Refer to Exhibit 10-2. With a price \$1 higher than P_1 , the firm would ____ sales than it would ____ with a \$1 lower price.

	Student Response		Correct Answer	Feedback
₽ 1.	lose more; gain	100%	✓	
2.	lose fewer; gain			
3.	gain more; gain			
4.	gain more; lose			

Score: 1/1

Comments:

14.

A cartel is an organization of firms

	Student Response	Value	Correct Answer	Feedback
1.	that deliberately attempts to disrupt the market for political reasons.			
2.	dominated by one firm, which is usually referred to as the price leader.			
₽3.	that reduces output and increases price in an effort to increase inint	100%	✓	

profits.

4. that
 attempts to
 increase
 total (or
 industry)
 demand for
 their
 product.

Score: 1/1

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15.

The "prisoner's dilemma" game illustrates a case in which

	Student Response	Value	Correct Answer	Feedback
₽ 1.	individually rational behavior leads to a collectively inefficient outcome.	100%	✓	
2.	what is irrational individual behavior turns out to be ultra-irrational group behavior.			
3.	the whole is greater than the sum of the parts.			
4.	none of the above			

Score: 1/1

Comments:

16.

In the prisoner's dilemma, both prisoners end up ____, which turns out to be ____ confessed.

Student Response	Value	Correct Answer	Feedback
1. confessing; worse for them than if they had both not		M	
2. not confessing; worse for them than if they had both			
a. not confessing; better for them than if they had both	0%		
4. confessing; better for them than if they had both not			
Score:		0/1	

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17.

Exhibit 10-3

	Student Response		Correct Answer	Feedback
1.	Е			
₽ 2.	Α	100%	✓	
3.	С			
4.	В			
5.	D			

Comments:

18.

Exhibit 10-3

Refer to Exhibit 10-3. Profits of this monopolistic competitor equal the area

	Student Response		Correct Answer	Feedback
₽ 1.	P_3P_1AC .	100%	\checkmark	
2.	OP ₄ DQ ₃ .			
3.	P ₅ P ₃ CE.	,		
4.	$0Q_1$ times P_2P_5 .			
5.	OQ_1 times P_2P_4 .			

Score: 1/1

19.

For a monopoly firm, price is ____ marginal revenue, and for a monopolistically competitive firm, price is ____ marginal revenue.

	Student Response		Correct Answer	Feedback
1.	greater than; less than			
2.	equal to; less than			
₫3.	greater than; greater than	100%		
4.	greater than; equal to			
5.	less than; equal to			

Score: 1/1

Comments:

20.

Cartels often dissolve because

	Student Response	Value	Correct Answer	Feedback
1.	their members often set a time limit as to how long the cartel should exist.			
2 .	their members often cheat on the cartel agreements because they have incentive to.		✓	
3	their			

members
often find
that they
do not earn
as high
profits from
the cartel
as they had
hoped to.

4. firms in a cartel face different costs than firms outside a cartel.

5. none of the above

Score: 1/1