

Competency Goal #7

Questions

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Assigned: \_\_\_\_\_

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1. What is economics?
2. What are "needs"?
3. What are "wants"?
4. Define resources, natural resources, renewable resources and nonrenewable resources.
5. What is meant by productivity?
6. How does land help productivity?
7. Define labor
8. What is capital and why is it important?
9. Explain entrepreneurship.
10. What causes economic growth?
11. What is scarcity?
12. What problems may arise from scarcity?
13. What choices must consumers make?
14. What choices must producers make?
15. Explain the decision making process. Give an example.
16. Define trade-offs and opportunity costs.
17. What are fixed costs?
18. What are variable costs?
19. Explain total costs
20. Explain marginal costs
21. Explain the process a producer might use to determine an employee's wages or salary.
22. When does productivity go up?
23. Explain specialization.
24. Explain division of labor.
25. Use a factory setting to explain division of labor, mass production and assembly line.
26. Explain how productivity increases when human capital is invest in it.
27. Explain the difference in skilled and unskilled workers and white collar and blue collar workers.

28. How does innovation affect productivity?
29. Explain why robots and automation have a negative effect on workers?
30. What are investments?
31. Explain capital investments.
32. How can workers invest in productivity?
33. What can be a negative effect of investment?
34. Explain how recycling can be an investment in productivity.
35. What is the Producer Price Index (PPI), and what is its purpose?
36. Explain the law of diminishing returns.
37. What are consumer goods?
38. Explain cost of investment.
39. Explain how future benefits (profits) are determined.
40. Explain a market economy
41. What is consumer sovereignty?
42. Explain mixed economies.
43. What are capitalists?
44. Explain the philosophy of Adam Smith in *the Wealth of Nations*.
45. Who was Karl Marx?
46. Explain socialism and communism.
47. What are command economies?
48. Explain profit motive