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You have 60 minutes to complete the exam. Good luck!

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[until told to do so]
1. A key determinant of the price elasticity of supply is
   a. the ability of sellers to change the amount of the good they produce.
   b. the slope of the demand curve.
   c. the ability of sellers to change the price of the good they produce.
   d. how responsive buyers are to changes in sellers' prices.

2. Which of the following is most likely to be used as an intermediate good?
   a. a bag of cement
   b. a train
   c. a tomato salad
   d. a factory building

3. See Figure SDA. Equilibrium price and quantity are, respectively,
   a. $30 and 40 units.
   b. $50 and 120 units.
   c. $50 and 80 units.
   d. $70 and 40 units.

4. See Figure SDA. At a price of $70, there would be a
   a. surplus of 80 units.
   b. surplus of 40 units.
   c. surplus of 120 units.
   d. shortage of 80 units.

5. See Figure SDA. When the price increases from $50 to $60, the price elasticity of supply is approximately
   a. 0.5
   b. 2.75
   c. 1.25
   d. 5.0

6. At night, Ashwin would rather read mystery novels than watch television or gossip with his roommates. But tonight, he has decided that he must study economics. The opportunity cost of studying is
   a. reading mystery novels.
   b. watching television.
   c. gossipping with roommates.
   d. ALL of the above

7. Suppose roses are currently selling for $40 per dozen, while the equilibrium price of roses is $30 per dozen. We would expect a
   a. surplus to exist and the market price of roses to decrease.
   b. shortage to exist and the market price of roses to increase.
   c. shortage to exist and the market price of roses to decrease.
   d. surplus to exist and the market price of roses to increase.

8. If an economist has sufficient data on supply and demand for widgets in a competitive market, she can predict
   a. how consumers will use the widgets.
   b. the quantity of widgets that will be purchased.
   c. how the price of widgets will change in the future.
   d. the methods that will be used to produce the widgets.

9. Which of the following is not a reason why voluntary exchange can lower a buyer’s welfare?
   a. deceptive marketing
   b. temptation
   c. poor information
   d. high prices

10. Capital goods are
    a. another name for intermediate goods.
    b. tools that increase productivity.
    c. products purchased in competitive markets.
    d. output produced by labor alone.

11. The supply of apartments in Washington DC is very inelastic in the short run, because
    a. most landlords will not rent to families with children.
    b. most residents earn more than the national average.
    c. many residents are employees of the federal government.
    d. it takes a long time to construct new apartments.
**Scenario WNE.** Suppose that excellent weather in France increases the quantity of grapes available for wine-making. Also, consumers know that good weather improves the taste of the wine.

*You may draw in the space below to help you answer the following questions. The drawing will NOT be graded.*

12. **See Scenario WNE.** The supply curve for wine will
   a. be unaffected.
   b. shift left.
   c. shift right.
   d. become vertical.

13. **See Scenario WNE.** The demand curve for wine will
   a. shift left.
   b. shift right.
   c. be unaffected.
   d. become vertical.

14. **See Scenario WNE.** The equilibrium quantity of wine purchased
   a. will not change.
   b. will increase.
   c. will decrease.
   d. could increase, stay the same, or decrease.

15. **See Scenario WNE.** The equilibrium price of wine
   a. could increase, stay the same, or decrease.
   b. will decrease.
   c. will not change.
   d. will increase.

16. A fall in housing prices
   a. increases housing construction.
   b. makes home owners wealthier.
   c. is good for young people starting families.
   d. makes society poorer.

17. In which of the following situations will total revenue increase?
   a. Price elasticity of demand is –0.5, and the price of the good increases.
   b. Price elasticity of demand is –3.0, and the price of the good decreases.
   c. Price elasticity of demand is –1.2, and the price of the good decreases.
   d. **ALL** of the above

18. Economists say you are saving when you
   a. consume less than you produce.
   b. buy a discounted product.
   c. reduce your tax payments.
   d. transfer funds to a government-approved savings account.

**Scenario CAD.** Suppose Elvira produces both beans and corn in her garden. She can grow 5 additional kilograms of beans if she gives up 15 kilograms of corn.

19. **See Scenario CAD.** Elvira’s opportunity cost of 1 kilogram of beans is
   a. 15 kilograms of corn.
   b. 0.33 kilograms of corn.
   c. 3 kilograms of corn.
   d. 70 kilograms of corn.

20. **See Scenario CAD.** Amaya (Elvira’s neighbor) also grows beans and corn. Amaya can grow 5 additional kilograms of beans if she gives up 10 kilograms of corn. We can conclude that compared to Elvira,
   a. Amaya has a comparative advantage in growing beans.
   b. Amaya has an absolute advantage in growing corn.
   c. Amaya has an absolute advantage in growing beans.
   d. Amaya is a more productive farmer.

21. The demand for gasoline is more elastic in the long run than in the short run, because when prices rise
   a. poor people suffer.
   b. most drivers will continue to prefer big cars.
   c. some people will eventually replace old cars with more fuel-efficient ones.
   d. people who drive to work stop wasting gasoline.
22. Two different prices cannot prevail in a perfectly competitive market, because
   a. the value of money determines one price.
   b. it is illegal to charge two different prices for the same commodity.
   c. at least one buyer and one seller would prefer to trade at a price in between the original prices.
   d. having a homogeneous good implies that all buyers and sellers will agree on the best price.

23. Which of the following is an important form of social capital?
   a. trusting other people
   b. street lights
   c. skilled engineers
   d. university buildings

24. See Figure PEL. How much orange juice will Jordi want to buy if the price is $14?
   a. 11
   b. 12
   c. 0
   d. 5.5

25. See Figure PEL. When price changes from $14 to $15, Jordi’s demand
   a. has unit elasticity.
   b. is perfectly inelastic.
   c. elasticity is undefined.
   d. is extremely elastic.

26. See Figure PEL. When price changes from $7.99 to $8.01, Jordi’s demand
   a. is extremely elastic.
   b. has unit elasticity.
   c. elasticity is undefined.
   d. is perfectly inelastic.

27. See Figure PEL. Jordi’s demand curve might have this appearance if
   a. Jordi doesn’t care about how much juice he drinks.
   b. Jordi buys the same amount of orange juice at any price.
   c. Jordi likes orange juice and grapefruit juice equally.
   d. orange juice has an elastic supply curve.

28. Which of the following is not part of the wealth of society?
   a. stocks and bonds
   b. educated people
   c. apartment buildings
   d. computers

29. A student has decided to buy Chinese spring rolls for lunch. She should buy at least 4 spring rolls if
   a. she would not be hungry after eating four spring rolls.
   b. the benefit of the fourth spring roll is greater than its price.
   c. the benefits of 4 spring rolls are greater than their cost.
   d. she would be hungry after eating three spring rolls.

30. A good example of capital formation is
   a. studying for an exam in medical school.
   b. buying gasoline for your car.
   c. riding a bus to get to work.
   d. buying clothing with cash.

Scenario NLA. When per capita income falls from $40,000 to $32,000, the quantity of potatoes demanded by consumers increases by 15%.

31. See Scenario NLA. What is the income elasticity of demand for potatoes?
   a. −3/4
   b. +3/4
   c. +4/3
   d. −4/3

32. See Scenario NLA. What is implied about the demand for potatoes?
   a. Consumers want to buy more potatoes when the price of potatoes is higher.
   b. The own-price demand for potatoes is elastic.
   c. Potatoes and meat are complements.
   d. Consumers want to buy more potatoes when incomes are smaller.
33. If the cost of food for dairy cows increases, then the equilibrium price of milk is likely to _____, and the equilibrium quantity of milk traded is likely to _____.

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a. fall; fall  
b. rise; rise  
c. fall; rise  
d. rise; fall

34. Which of the following does not affect the price elasticity of electricity supply?
   a. excess capacity of existing electric power plants 
   b. the use of air conditioners and electric heaters 
   c. the cost of transporting fuel for electric power plants 
   d. the ability to transmit electricity over long distances

35. A student is willing to pay $60 for a ticket to a Funkadunk concert, but he is able to buy a ticket for only $42. Then the value of the net benefit the student receives from the ticket would be
   a. $18  
   b. the cost of printing the ticket. 
   c. $42  
   d. $24

36. Supply curves are upward sloping, because
   a. high prices increase the confidence of the wealthy consumers who buy the most. 
   b. most demand curves are inelastic. 
   c. higher prices allow firms to use more costly inputs without losing money. 
   d. prices rise when output levels are high.

37. The demand curve for iPhones may shift because of changes in
   a. the cost of producing iPhones. 
   b. the price of Android phones. 
   c. the price of iPhones. 
   d. **NONE** of the above

38. Which of the following is an advantage of selling and buying as compared with barter?
   a. Selling and buying yields prices that measure value. 
   b. Selling and buying requires more markets than barter does. 
   c. Selling and buying is more difficult to tax. 
   d. Selling and buying is a form of voluntary exchange.

39. In the United States, the price elasticity of supply of cotton is .3 in the short run and 1.0 in the long run. This difference might be explained by the fact that
   a. many people prefer synthetic clothing. 
   b. harvesting cotton is expensive. 
   c. people don’t replace their clothing quickly. 
   d. it takes several years to prepare land for growing cotton.

40. The supply curve for broccoli could shift to the left because of
   a. an increase in the price of broccoli. 
   b. an advertisement showing Hillary Clinton eating broccoli. 
   c. a report that broccoli prevents liver disease. 
   d. **NONE** of the above