

11.5 Relationship between countries at different levels of development

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• debt 债务 • aid 援助

Objective

Build the skills to answer exam questions on the **relationship between countries at different levels of development** 不同发展水平国家间的关系 — **trade, aid, debt, foreign direct investment** 贸易、援助、债务、外国直接投资 (FDI), and **migration** 移民.

You must be able to:

- describe how trade, aid, debt, FDI and migration link rich and poor countries
- explain the benefits and costs of each link
- analyse the best way to support a developing country

1 Worked examples

■ Links between rich and poor countries

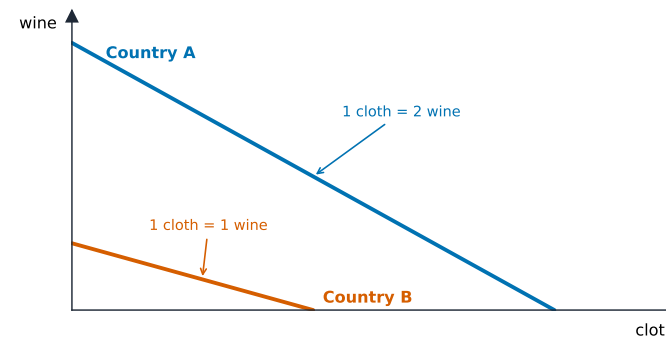


Each link has a good and a bad side

- **Trade:** raises incomes, but reliance on a few **primary exports** with swinging

prices is risky.

- **Aid** 援助: funds schools/roads, but may create dependency.
- **Debt** 债务: pays for development, but repayment drains budgets.
- **FDI** 外国直接投资: brings money, jobs and technology, but profits may flow abroad.
- **Migration** 移民: brings **remittances** 侨汇, but can drain skilled workers (a “brain drain”).



comparative advantage = lower opportunity cost

Trade between rich and poor countries rests on comparative advantage — the basis of the gains and the risks

Answer shapes: AO1 + AO2 + AO3 (analysis) + AO4 (a supported judgement *in context*).

2 Practice

2.1 Define the term *foreign direct investment (FDI)*. [2]

2.2 Define the term *remittances*. [2]

2.3 State one drawback to a developing country of relying on foreign aid. [1]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 A possible drawback to a developing country of foreign direct investment is that: [1]

- A

B

C

D
- A it brings in no new technology

B profits may flow back to the foreign company abroad

C it always reduces employment

D it lowers the country’s exports

3.2 Explain two ways foreign direct investment can help a developing country. [6]

3.3 Discuss whether foreign aid is the best way to support development in a poor country. [12]
