

1. Assume the economy of Vanderlandia is in short-run equilibrium with a real GDP of \$500 million. The full-employment level of real GDP is \$550 million.
- (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the aggregate demand, short-run aggregate supply, and long-run aggregate supply curves, and show each of the following.
- (i) The current equilibrium real output and price level, labeled Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - (ii) The full-employment output, labeled Y_F
- (b) Assume no policy action is taken to restore full employment.
- (i) Explain how the economy will adjust in the long run.
 - (ii) Following the long-run adjustment process, will the price level in Vanderlandia be greater than, less than, or equal to PL_1 shown on your graph in part (a)?
- (c) Assume instead that policymakers in Vanderlandia are considering changing government spending to restore full employment in the short run and that the marginal propensity to save is 0.2.
- (i) Calculate the minimum change and state the direction of change in government spending required to completely close the output gap in the short run. Show your work.
 - (ii) On your graph in part (a), show the short-run effect of the change in government spending in part (c)(i), labeling the new equilibrium price level PL_2 .
- (d) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the loanable funds market, and show the effect of the change in government spending in part (c)(i) on the equilibrium real interest rate.
- (e) Based on the change in the real interest rate shown on your graph in part (d), what will happen to each of the following?
- (i) The price of previously issued bonds
 - (ii) The rate of economic growth in the long run. Explain.

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2. The table below shows macroeconomic data for Country A.

Year	Nominal GDP	GDP Deflator	Population
2020	40,000	100	100
2021	88,000	200	110

(a) Calculate each of the following for Country A in year 2021. Show your work.

(i) Real GDP

(ii) Real GDP per capita

(b) Based solely on the data provided, has the standard of living for the average person in Country A increased, decreased, or stayed the same between 2020 and 2021 ? Explain.

(c) How would an increase in government spending on education affect economic growth in Country A? Explain.

(d) Assume that Country A produces consumer goods and capital goods. Draw a correctly labeled production possibilities curve for Country A, and show the effect of the increase in government spending on education on your graph.

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3. The economy of Country Zeta is in long-run equilibrium; however, the government is concerned about the size of the national debt.

(a) Identify one specific fiscal policy action the government could take to reduce the national debt.

(b) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the loanable funds market, and show the effect of the fiscal policy action identified in part (a) on the real interest rate.

(c) Based on the change in the real interest rate identified in part (b), what will happen to each of the following?

(i) Aggregate demand in the short run. Explain.

(ii) Potential real output. Explain.

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MACROECONOMICS**Section II****Total Time—1 hour****Reading Period—10 minutes****Writing Period—50 minutes**

Directions: You are advised to spend the first 10 minutes reading all of the questions and planning your answers. You will then have 50 minutes to answer all three of the following questions. You may begin writing your responses before the reading period is over. It is suggested that you spend approximately half your time on the first question and divide the remaining time equally between the next two questions. Include correctly labeled diagrams, if useful or required, in explaining your answers. A correctly labeled diagram must have all axes and curves clearly labeled and must show directional changes. Use a pen with black or dark blue ink.

1. Assume the economy of Artland is currently operating above full employment.
 - (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the short-run aggregate supply, long-run aggregate supply, and aggregate demand curves, and show each of the following.
 - (i) The current equilibrium real output and price level, labeled as Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - (ii) The full-employment output, labeled as Y_f
 - (b) Assume the central bank and the government do not take any policy actions to close the output gap.
 - (i) On your graph in part (a), show how the economy automatically adjusts in the long run and label the new equilibrium price level PL_2 .
 - (ii) Explain the cause of the adjustment shown in part (b)(i).
 - (c) Alternatively, suppose the government wants to close the output gap using fiscal policy.
 - (i) Identify a fiscal policy action the government could implement to close the output gap.
 - (ii) How will the fiscal policy action identified in part (c)(i) affect the following?
 - The unemployment rate
 - The natural rate of unemployment
 - (iii) In closing the output gap, will the automatic adjustment identified in part (b)(i) produce a higher, a lower, or the same price level compared to the fiscal policy identified in part (c)(i) ?
 - (d) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the market for loanable funds. Show the effect of the fiscal policy action identified in part (c)(i) on the equilibrium real interest rate.
 - (e) Given the interest rate change identified in part (d), will the long-run aggregate supply curve shift to the right, shift to the left, or remain the same in the long run? Explain.

2. The European Union and the United States are trading partners.
- If the current account balance is zero, will an increase in United States real income result in a current account surplus, deficit, or no change? Explain.
 - Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for the euro. On your graph, show the effect of the increase in United States real income on the value of the euro relative to the United States dollar.
 - Now assume interest rates increase in the European Union.
 - What is the effect of the increase in interest rates in the European Union on the demand for the United States dollar? Explain.
 - Based on your answer to part (c)(i), what is the effect on the value of the United States dollar relative to the euro?

3. Sweden and Norway use equal quantities of resources to produce food and capital goods. The table below shows the maximum possible production of food OR capital goods for each country.

Country	Food	Capital Goods
Sweden	50	100
Norway	30	120

- Draw a correctly labeled graph of the production possibilities curve for Sweden. Place food on the horizontal axis and capital goods on the vertical axis. Plot the relevant numerical values on the graph.
- On your graph in part (a), indicate the following.
 - A point that represents an efficient level of production, labeled E
 - A point that represents an inefficient level of production, labeled I
 - A point that represents an unattainable level of production, labeled U
- Assume Sweden moves from producing 20 units of food and 60 units of capital goods to producing 30 units of food and 40 units of capital goods. What will happen to economic growth in Sweden in the future?
- Which country has the comparative advantage in the production of capital goods? Explain.
- Based on the table above, identify a specific number of units of capital goods that could be traded for 10 units of food and be mutually beneficial.

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2. Assume the economy of Ucheland is currently at full employment. The government of Ucheland reduces the tax rate on household interest earnings.
- (a) What will happen to private savings in Ucheland?
 - (b) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the loanable funds market, and show the effect of the change in private savings identified in part (a) on the equilibrium real interest rate.
 - (c) Given the real interest rate change identified in part (b), answer the following questions.
 - (i) What is the short-run effect on aggregate demand? Explain.
 - (ii) What is the long-run effect on potential real gross domestic product in Ucheland? Explain.
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2. Assume that an economy is in long-run equilibrium. Assume that consumers wish to hold less money because they use credit cards more frequently to purchase goods and services than cash.
- (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the money market and show the effect of the reduced holdings of money on the equilibrium nominal interest rate in the short run.
 - (b) Based on the change in the interest rate in part (a), what will happen to each of the following in the short run?
 - (i) Prices of previously issued bonds
 - (ii) The price level and real income. Explain.
 - (c) With a constant money supply, based on your answer to part b(ii), will the velocity of money increase, decrease, or remain the same, or is the change indeterminate?
 - (d) If the central bank wishes to reverse the change in the interest rate identified in part (a), what open market operation would it use?
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3. A country is at full employment and produces two types of goods: consumer goods and capital goods.
- (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the production possibilities curve, with consumer goods on the horizontal axis and capital goods on the vertical axis. Indicate a point on your graph, labeled X, that represents full employment and a possible combination in which both goods are being produced.
 - (b) Assume there is an increase in the country's national savings. Draw a correctly labeled graph of the loanable funds market, showing the change in the real interest rate from the increase in savings.
 - (c) On the same graph from part (a), show another point, labeled Z, that represents full employment and a new combination of consumer goods and capital goods consistent with the increase in the country's national savings.
 - (d) Referring to your answer to part (c), will the long-run aggregate supply curve shift to the right, shift to the left, or remain the same? Explain.

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MACROECONOMICS**Section II****Planning Time—10 minutes****Writing Time—50 minutes**

Directions: You have 10 minutes to read all of the questions in this booklet, to sketch graphs, to make notes, and to plan your answers. You will then have 50 minutes to answer all three of the following questions. It is suggested that you spend approximately half your time on the first question and divide the remaining time equally between the next two questions. In answering the questions, you should emphasize the line of reasoning that generated your results; it is not enough to list the results of your analysis. Include correctly labeled diagrams, if useful or required, in explaining your answers. A correctly labeled diagram must have all axes and curves clearly labeled and must show directional changes. Use a pen with black or dark blue ink.

1. Assume that the United States economy is currently operating below the full-employment level of real gross domestic product with a balanced budget.
 - (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of aggregate demand, short-run aggregate supply, and long-run aggregate supply, and show each of the following in the United States.
 - (i) Current output and price level, labeled as Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - (ii) Full-employment output, labeled as Y_f
 - (b) The United States government increases spending on goods and services by \$100 billion, which is financed by borrowing. How will the increase in government spending affect each of the following?
 - (i) Cyclical unemployment
 - (ii) The natural rate of unemployment
 - (c) If the marginal propensity to consume is equal to 0.75, calculate the maximum possible change in real gross domestic product that could result from the \$100 billion increase in government spending.
 - (d) Using a correctly labeled graph of the loanable funds market, show the effect of the \$100 billion increase in government spending on the real interest rate.
 - (e) Based on the real interest rate change in part (d), what is the effect on the long-run economic growth rate? Explain.
 - (f) Now assume that instead of financing the \$100 billion increase in government spending by borrowing, the United States government increases taxes by \$100 billion. With this equal increase in government spending and taxes, will the real gross domestic product increase, decrease, or remain the same? Explain.