

1. Basic Economic Concepts

Starter Quiz · 课前小测

AP Macroeconomics

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1. Scarcity exists because:

- ☐ wants are unlimited but resources are limited
- ☐ people are greedy
- ☐ governments print too little money
- ☐ prices are too high

2. The opportunity cost of a choice is:

- ☐ the value of the single best alternative given up
- ☐ the money you spend
- ☐ everything you could have done
- ☐ always zero

3. A country has a comparative advantage in a good when it has:

- ☐ the lower opportunity cost of making it
- ☐ more workers than its rival
- ☐ the higher price
- ☐ more natural resources

4. The law of demand says a higher price leads to a:

- ☐ lower quantity demanded
- ☐ higher quantity demanded
- ☐ higher supply
- ☐ no change

5. The law of supply says a higher price leads to a:

- ☐ higher quantity supplied
- ☐ lower quantity supplied
- ☐ lower demand
- ☐ no change

6. A change in the good's own price causes a movement along the demand curve, not a shift.

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

7. A fall in input costs causes a movement along the supply curve.

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

8. Select **all** four factors of production.

- ☐ land
- ☐ labour
- ☐ capital
- ☐ entrepreneurship

Tick every correct option.

9. Moving from A (60 consumer, 10 capital) to B (50 consumer, 25 capital), what is the opportunity cost of ONE capital good, in consumer goods?

10. Country A makes 12 wheat OR 6 cloth in a day. What is the opportunity cost of ONE cloth, in wheat?

_____ wheat

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Answers · 答案

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1. wants are unlimited but resources are limited

Scarcity is the gap between unlimited wants and limited resources.

2. the value of the single best alternative given up

It is the next-best alternative sacrificed — measured in what you give up, not just money.

3. the lower opportunity cost of making it

Comparative advantage is about opportunity cost, not raw output.

4. lower quantity demanded

Price and quantity demanded move in opposite directions — the curve slopes down.

5. higher quantity supplied

A higher price makes producing more profitable, so quantity supplied rises.

6. True

Own price → movement along; TRIBE determinants → shift.

7. False

Input costs are not the good's own price — cheaper inputs shift the whole curve right.

8. land; labour; capital; entrepreneurship

Land, labour, capital and entrepreneurship are the four factors.

9. 0.67

Give up 10 consumer to gain 15 capital, so each capital good costs $10/15 \approx 0.67$ consumer goods.

10. 2 wheat

Giving up 12 wheat frees enough to make 6 cloth, so each cloth costs $12/6 = 2$ wheat.