Exercise walk-through

Economy in the Interwar Period ▪ 7.4

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You must be able to

- state what governments began to do after 1918
- state what caused the change
- state how the Soviet Union controlled its economy
- state the CED's judgment on the Soviet method

Method — The change

Following World War I and the onset of the Great Depression, governments began to take a more active role in economic life. The direction of change is common to very different states.

Method — The cause

Two events: the war and the Depression. Both showed that an economy left to itself could produce outcomes a government could not survive politically.

Method — The Soviet method

In the Soviet Union, the government controlled the national economy through the Five Year Plans, often implementing repressive policies.

Method — The judgment

With negative repercussions for the population. The CED states the human cost inside its description of the method, and an accurate answer reports both.

Practice 2.1 ▪ 2 marks

State what governments began to do and what caused it.

Solution 2.1

Method: The change

Worked steps

they took a more active role in economic life **B1**, following World War I and the onset of the Great Depression **B1**.

Practice 2.2 ▪ 2 marks

State how the Soviet Union controlled its economy.

Solution 2.2

Method: The Soviet method

Worked steps

through the Five Year Plans **B1**, often implementing repressive policies **B1**.

Practice 2.3 ▪ 1 mark

The CED states a judgment alongside the method.
(a) State it.
(b) State why both belong in an answer.

Solution 2.3

Method: The judgment

Worked steps

(a) negative repercussions for the population **B1**. (b) the CED includes the cost within its description **B1**, so an answer giving only the method has reported less than the source **B1**.

Exam-style 3.1 ▪ 1 mark

The Soviet economy was controlled through

- **A** the Five Year Plans
- **B** free markets
- **C** joint-stock companies
- **D** mercantilism

Solution 3.1

Method: The Soviet method

A the Five Year Plans ✓

B free markets

C joint-stock companies

D mercantilism

Worked steps

A. the Five Year Plans.

Exam-style 3.2 ▪ 1 mark

After 1918 governments took a role in economic life that was

A less active

B more active

C unchanged

D abolished

Solution 3.2

Method: The change

A less active

B more active ✓

C unchanged

D abolished

Worked steps

B. more active.

Exam-style 3.3 ▪ 1 mark

Two very different states both expand economic control in the same decade.
(a) State the shared cause.
(b) Explain why similar responses do not make them the same.

Solution 3.3

Method: The change

Worked steps

(a) the war and the Depression **B1**. (b) the direction of change is shared while the methods and their costs differ **B1**, so the comparison must specify what each state actually did **B1**.