

Multiple Choice Answers

Q10: C

3(a)

Identify two ways central banks differ from commercial banks.

Award one mark for a characteristic of the central bank such as:

- in the public sector / owned by the government
- operate monetary policy
- main objective is usually price stability
- hold the accounts of the government
- lend to governments and sometimes commercial banks
- manage foreign exchange rate.

Award one mark for a characteristic of a commercial bank such as:

- usually in the private sector / owned by individuals
- provide services for consumers
- main objective is profit maximization or growth
- hold the accounts of firms and households
- lend to households and firms
- buy and sell foreign currency to firms and households.

3(b)

Explain two characteristics that coins possess which mean they can perform the functions of money.

Logical explanation which might include:

- generally acceptable (1) can be used to buy and sell products / acts as medium of exchange (1)
- limited in supply (1) minted by the government (1)
- durable (1) last some time / does not perish / hard to break / made of metal / acts as store of wealth / store of value (1)
- portable (1) coins can be carried in pockets / bags (1)
- homogeneous (1) all coins of the same value are the same (1)
- divisible (1) coins have different values / acts as medium of exchange (1).

3(c)

Analyse the services provided to households by commercial banks.

Coherent analysis which might include:

- enable households to save their money (1) provide deposit / time accounts / deposit boxes (1) earn interest (1)
- enable households to make and receive payments (1) provide current / sight accounts (1) credit cards (1)
- lend to households (1) by providing a loan / overdraft / mortgage (1) to e.g. buy a house / a car (1) pay interest (1)
- give financial advice (1) e.g. on how to manage debt / retirement plans / buy stocks and shares (1)
- arrange insurance (1) e.g. for house / car (1)
- Convert foreign currency (1) buying / selling goods and service abroad / travelling abroad (1) charge commission (1).

3(d)

Discuss whether or not division of labour will benefit workers.

In assessing each answer, use the table opposite.

Why they might:

- can be trained quickly
- rise in productivity might be linked to a rise in income
- can become skilled at a particular task – practice makes perfect
- can concentrate on what they are most interested in
- can gain confidence in the task they undertake – less stressful.

Why they might not:

- can be boring
- occupational mobility is limited
- may not make full use of their skills
- may be replaced by machinery
- work may be disrupted by absence of other staff.

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