

IGCSE Economics

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1. The basic economic problem exists because:

- ☐ wants are unlimited but resources are limited
- ☐ people do not work hard enough
- ☐ prices are too high
- ☐ there is too much money

2. In economics, capital means:

- ☐ man-made aids to production (machines, tools)
- ☐ money in the bank
- ☐ a capital city
- ☐ natural resources

3. Opportunity cost is:

- ☐ the next best alternative given up
- ☐ the money price of a good
- ☐ the total of all options not chosen
- ☐ the cost of making a good

4. A point on the PPC represents an economy that is:

- ☐ using all its resources efficiently
- ☐ wasting resources
- ☐ producing the impossible
- ☐ in recession

5. Which is a free good?

- ☐ air
- ☐ a smartphone
- ☐ a bus ticket
- ☐ a loaf of bread

6. The entrepreneur takes the risk and combines the other factors of production.

- ☐ True ☐ False

7. Every economy must decide what to produce, how to produce it, and for whom.

☐ True ☐ False

8. Opportunity cost applies to consumers, producers and governments.

☐ True ☐ False

9. A good that is scarce and so has an opportunity cost is an _____ good.

10. Education and training that make workers more productive improve human _____.

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1. **wants are unlimited but resources are limited**

Scarcity = unlimited wants meeting finite resources.

2. **man-made aids to production (machines, tools)**

Capital is man-made aids to production, not money.

3. **the next best alternative given up**

It is the single next-best alternative sacrificed.

4. **using all its resources efficiently**

On the curve = full, efficient use; inside = waste; beyond = unattainable.

5. **air**

Air is not scarce, so it has no opportunity cost — a free good.

6. **True**

Enterprise organises land, labour and capital and bears the risk for profit.

7. **True**

These three questions follow from scarcity.

8. **True**

Anyone making a choice with scarce resources faces an opportunity cost.

9. **economic**

Economic goods are scarce; free goods are not.

10. **capital**

Human capital is the skills embodied in labour.