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#### JAMB ECONOMICS PAST QUESTIONS (PT.1)

#### **PAPER TYPE: B**

1. Which question paper type of economics is given to you?

- A. Type A
- B. Type B
- C. Type C
- D. Type D

2. An effective way of controlling inflation in a mixed economy is to

- A. increase productivity
- B. reduce income tax
- C. ration available output
- D. increase imports

3. One of the limitations PPC assumption is that there is \_\_\_\_\_

A. no indication of technological development

B. no recognition of preferred goods for countries

C. technical inefficiency

D. abundant resources

4. A major disadvantage of the arithmetic means is that it is \_\_\_\_\_

A. not useful for large data
B. not suitable for further statistical analysis
C. cumbersome to determine the actual value
D. affected by extreme data

5. Demand patterns are determined by the market on the basis of \_\_\_\_\_

A. scale of preference

- B. consumer sovereignty
- C. consumer rationality
- D. price of the commodity

6. A consumer surplus measures the \_\_\_\_\_

A. benefits derived from consuming a cheap commodity

B. excess of total expenditure over total utility

C. difference between marginal utility and marginal cost

D. excess of marginal utility over price

7. If the demand for one commodity excludes another, it is said to be \_\_\_\_\_

- A. complementary demand
- B. competitive demand
- C. composite demand
- D. derived demand

#### 8.

Price (¥) Quality (Kg	
1	100
2	120
3	150
4	180
5	200

The graph of the schedule above will depict \_\_\_\_\_

- A. a kinked demand curve
- B. a normal demand curve
- C. an abnormal demand curve
- D. a diminishing marginal utility curve

9. The median of an oddnumbered set of scores is the

- A. Middle value in the set
- B. Highest value in the set
- C. Arithmetic means of the set
- D. Most frequent occurring score

10. If demand increases without a change in supply, equilibrium price and quantity will \_\_\_\_\_

- A. remain unchanged
- B. shift inward
- C. fall
- D. rise

11. In the process of production, total output is at maximum when

A. MP = 0
B. MP > 0
C. AP = 0
D. AP > 0

12.

Price (¥)	Qty./ (bags)
1	60
2	120

From that table above, the price elasticity of supply is \_\_\_\_\_

A. 4

B. 25

C. 1

D. 2

13. When a consumer is at equilibrium, the MRSxy is equal to the \_\_\_\_\_

A. sum of the prices

B. product of the two prices

C. ratio of the two prices

D. difference of the two prices

14. Minimum price legislation by government will \_\_\_\_\_

A. reduce supply

B. increase supply

C. reduce demand and create surplus

D. increase demand and create scarcity

15. Ranking is the method use in measuring \_\_\_\_\_

A. marginal utility

B. ordinal utility

C. cardinal utility

D. total utility

16. If a firm is faced with an elastic supply curve, its revenue will \_\_\_\_\_

A. be supplied at a higher priceB. double at a higher priceC. increase by more than the percentage increase in priceD. equal percentage change in price

17. The optimal range of output for a perfectly competitive firm is

A. AC is lowestB. AVC is lowestC. MC is rising

#### D. MC is falling

18. A firm will experience diseconomies of scale when \_\_\_\_\_

A. there are difficulties in coordinating production

B. there is shortage in labour supply

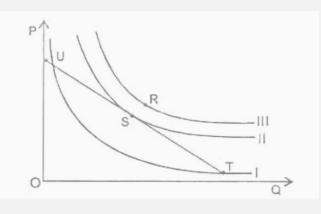
C. the size of market is small

D. there is an increase in the price of raw materials

19. The law of variable proportions is applicable only

- A. in the long-run period
- B. to large-scale enterprises
- C. to small-scale enterprises
- D. in the short-run period

20.



From the Diagram above, the optimal point of production is

A. R

В. Т

C. U

D. S

21. If real income increases while nominal income remains the same, it can be inferred that \_\_\_\_\_

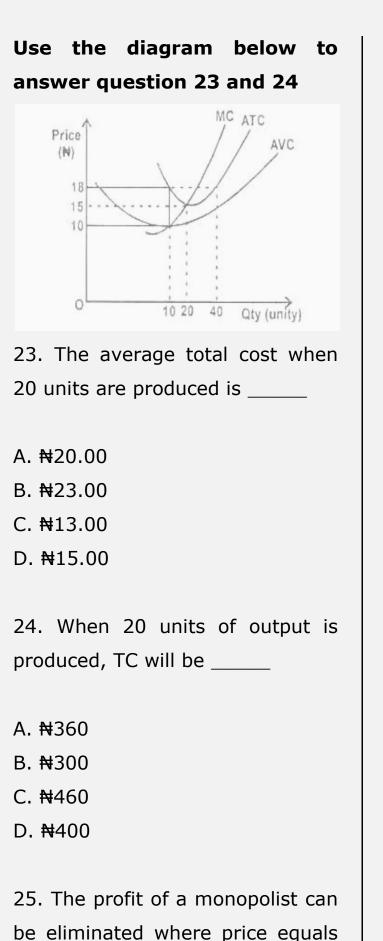
A. Unemployment rate has decreased

- B. General prices have fallen
- C. Employment rate has risen
- D. General prices have risen

22. One of the characteristics of oligopoly is the availability of

A. few sellersB. few buyersC. many sellersD. a single seller

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A. AFC B. MC C. AC D. AVC

26. Bank consolidation policy in Nigeria is a measure to increase

A. the capital base of banksB. employment opportunities in banks

C. the number of shareholders

D. the number of branches

27. An increase in the circulation of money without a corresponding increase in output will lead to

- A. a rise in income levels
- B. stagflation
- C. inflation
- D. deflation

28. In national income accounts,an item counted as part ofgovernment spending is \_\_\_\_\_

A. salaries and wages

B. pension

C. scholarship

D. social welfare

29. If aggregate demand is lower than total output in an economy national income will \_\_\_\_\_

A. be constant

B. be at equilibrium

C. increase

D. fall

30. During the era of barter, money was generally in the form of \_\_\_\_\_

A. notes

B. precious metals

C. coins

D. commodities

31. A country achieves economic development when there is \_\_\_\_\_

A. an increase in military expenditure

B. an increase in capacity utilizationC. a sustained increase in per capital incomeD. an even distribution of goods and services

32. An indicator of growth in an economy over a period of time is the \_\_\_\_\_

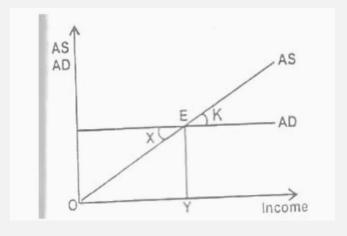
A. GDP gap
B. GDP at factor cost
C. GDP at market price
D. GDP deflator

33. A country embarks on deficit financing in order to \_\_\_\_\_

A. increase revenue

- B. reduce aggregate demand
- C. curb inflation
- D. stimulate investment

Use the diagram below to answer question 34 and 35



34. The deflationary gap is defined by \_\_\_\_\_

A. X

B. K

C. X + K

D. X - K

35. What does X represent?

A. recessionary gap

B. GNP gap

C. inflationary gap

D. deflationary gap

36. The import-substitution strategy of industrialization is to encourage \_\_\_\_\_

A. domestic production

B. large-scale production

C. importation

D. exportation

37. Upstream oil activities involve the \_\_\_\_\_

A. management of pollution

B. marketing of refined products

C. exploration of crude oil

D. refining of crude oil

38. Agricultural production in Nigeria is constrained by \_\_\_\_\_

A. ineffective use of stabilization measures

B. inadequate demand

C. poor implementation of policies

D. balance of payments deficits

39. The main function of NNPC is to \_\_\_\_\_

A. oversee the development of the oil sectorB. develop the oil producing area

C. fix the price of products

D. ensure regular supply of products

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40. Investing heavily in the agricultural sector will lead to

A. sufficient food production

- B. a vibrant commodity market
- C. capital inflow
- D. stable export prices

41. Industrial development in Nigeria can be encouraged through \_\_\_\_\_

A. signing WTO treaty

B. granting subsidies

C. the provision of efficient infrastructure

D. direct government participation

42. The record of a country's transactions in international trade is her \_\_\_\_\_

- A. capital account
- B. balance of payments
- C. current account
- D. balance of trade

43. The transfer to public shareholding corporations to private enterprises is \_\_\_\_\_

- A. concession
- B. incorporation
- C. commercialization
- D. privatization

44. A condition in which official and autonomous exchange rate coexist is \_\_\_\_\_

A. dual exchange rate system

B. managed floating rate system

C. market determined exchange rate system

D. multiple exchange rate system

45. In modern economies, the Malthusian theory of population is ineffective because of \_\_\_\_\_

- A. birth control measures
- B. technical progress
- C. government policies
- D. natural disasters

46. Optimum population enables an economy to attain the highest level of \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Industrial development
- B. Income per head
- C. Revenue generation
- D. Economic development

47. A change from one industry to another by a worker is an example of \_\_\_\_\_

- A. geographical mobility
- B. horizontal mobility
- C. professional advancement
- D. vertical mobility

48. The money paid per hour for work done is \_\_\_\_\_

- A. salary
- B. wage rate
- C. cost
- D. bonus

49. Trade takes place because of

A. marginal utility

- B. inefficiency in production
- C. opportunity cost
- D. comparative advantage

50. The World Trade Organization is responsible for \_\_\_\_\_

A. stabilizing and harmonizationoil pricesB. ensuring equal participation ofcountries in tradeC. modernising world economies

D. minimizing obstacles to international trade and investment

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1. Which question paper type of Economics as indicated above is given to you?

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- B. Type Purple
- C. Type Red
- D. Type Yellow

2. A major disadvantage of a socialist economy is that \_\_\_\_\_.

A. corruption is rampant

B. consumer's sovereignty is lost

C. income inequality is entrenched

D. there is high level of unemployment

3. The privatization of public enterprises will lead to efficient management of resources in the economy. This statement can best be described as \_\_\_\_\_.

A. normative reasoning

- B. inductive reasoning
- C. deductive reasoning
- D. positive reasoning

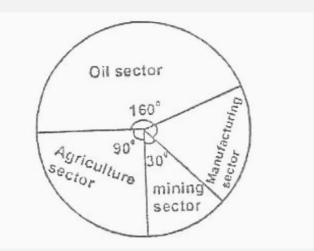
4. The sign of the slope of a graph in economic analysis is important because it \_\_\_\_\_.

A. shows whether a good is normal or inferiorB. shows the relationship between variables

C. reveals the magnitude of the change between variables

D. helps to determine the unit of measurement of variables

5.



The percentage contribution of manufacturing sector is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. 67.5
- B. 40.0
- C. 32.4
- D. 25.0

6. If the GDP is N60 billion, what is the difference between the contributions of oil and manufacturing sectors?

- A. N11.7 billion B. N13.3 billion C. N21.7 billion
- D. N26.6 billion

7. If the quantity of rice bought decreases from 250 tonnes to 200 tonnes owing to a 2% rise in price, it shows that there is a change in \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. consumers' income
- B. demand
- C. consumers' tastes
- D. quantity demanded

8. A rise in income will, ceteris paribus, bring about \_\_\_\_\_.

A. a movement along the demand curve

B. a leftward shift of the demand curve

C. a rightward shift of the demand curve

D. no effect on the demand curve

9.

Price (₦)	Quality (Kg)
50	500
70	400

From the above, calculate the price elasticity of demand.

- A. 5.0
- B. 2.0
- C. 1.0
- D. 0.5

10. If the price of an item increases by 8% while the quantity demanded falls from 1500 units to 1492 units, the demand is said to be \_\_\_\_\_.

A. perfectly elasticB. inelastic

C. elastic

D. perfectly inelastic

11. Comparison of interpersonal utility is impossible because

A. utility is measured in utility

B. marginal utility is not observable

C. utility is subjectively determined

D. individual income differ

12. When the slope of the total utility curve is declining, the marginal utility of a consumer will be increasing if he \_\_\_\_\_.

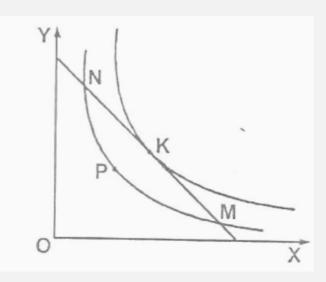
A. stops consuming more of the commodity

B. reduces the quantity consumed

C. increases the quantity consumed

D. consumes more of another commodity

Use the diagram below to answer question 13 and 14



13. The consumer is at equilibrium at point \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. N
- B. P
- С. М
- D. K

14. To move from point M to K, the consumer has to increase the

A. consumption of X and reduce the consumption of Y

- B. expenditure on Y
- C. expenditure on X

D. consumption of Y and reduce the consumption of X

15. The supply of cocoa is influenced by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. seasonal conditionsB. the efficacy of fertilizer usedC. the demand for beveragesD. the availability of close substitutes

16. If quantity supplied is constant irrespective of price changes, the supply elasticity is

A. unitary

- B. infinity
- C. fairly elastic
- D. perfectly inelastic

17. The cost elasticity of supply is a useful instrument for measuring

- A. profit
- B. productivity
- C. national income
- D. price index

18. The invisible hand promotes the interests of \_\_\_\_\_.

A. consumers

B. society

C. government

D. producers

19. Fixing price above equilibrium will cause \_\_\_\_\_.

A. demand and supply to remain constant

B. an increase in quantity supplied

C. an increase in supply

D. a decrease in quantity supplied

20. An important function of the price system is to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. ensure that producers' profits
remain high
B. guarantee full employment of
resources
C. allocate resources to most
productive uses
D. protect the economic interests

of government

21. If all factors are variable in the long run, firms will experience

A. decreasing returns to scale

B. increasing returns to scale

C. diminishing returns

D. economies of scale

22. The equilibrium point of a firm is attained at the point where the isoquant is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. greater than the isocost

B. less than the isocost

C. tangent to the isocost

D. greater than the output

23. The long-run average cost curve touches to the short-run average cost curves at the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. minimum points of all short run average cost curves

B. declining points of all short-run average cost curves

C. minimum point of only one of the short-run cost curves

D. rising points of all short-run average cost curves

24. If a firm doubles all inputs in the long run and the total output

is less than doubled, this results in \_\_\_\_\_.

A. diminishing returns

B. constant returns to scale

C. increasing returns to scale

D. decreasing returns to scale

25. Patents and copyrights enable monopolists to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. determine the quality of their products

B. determine the scale of their products

C. restrict information flow to new firms

D. restrict entry of new firms

26. A discriminatory monopoly is characterized by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. a common elasticity in different markets

B. different elasticities in different markets

C. a finite elasticity in all markets

D. zero elasticity in all markets

27. Net National Product is derived by deducting \_\_\_\_\_.

A. net exports from GNPB. subsidies from GDPC. taxes from GDP

D. depreciation from GNP

Use the information below to answer question 28 and 29.

The investment expenditure of economy changes by ₦2 Million and MPC is 0.75

28. What is the change in income?

A. N0.5m

- B. N1.5m
- C. N2.6m
- D. N8.0m

29. The multiplier is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. 8
- B. 4
- C. 3
- D. 2

30. The money that commands a higher market value than its face value is called \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. paper moneyB. standard moneyC. commodity money
- D. fiat money

31. If a basket of commodities cost N120 in the base year and N240 in the current year, calculate the price index.

- A. 100 B. 200 C. 240
- D. 300

32. The minimum amount which banks are required to deposit with the central bank is determined by the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. liquidity ratioB. cash reserve ratioC. minimum lending rateD. aggregate credit ceiling

33. The major function of money market is to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. provide funds for long-term financing

B. provide funds short-term financing

C. stabilize the value of the local currency

D. stabilize domestic prices

34. An ad valorem tax is imposed on \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. special commodities
- B. exports
- C. imports
- D. the value of a commodity

35. A huge national debt is an indication that the gold reserves of a nation has \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. appreciated
- B. decreased
- C. depreciated
- D. stagnated

36. Rapid economic development in Nigeria is realizable by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. continuous dependence on oil

B. concentrating more on agriculture

C. developing the tourism industry

D. diversifying the economy

37. The primary reason for desiring economic growth is to

A. control inflation

- B. reduce poverty
- C. redistribute income
- D. raise standard of living

38. An emerging agricultural export crop in Nigeria is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. cassava B. cotton C. cocoa
- D. soya beans

39. A strategy for improving agriculture in Nigeria will involve

A. controlling the prices of agricultural products

B. ensuring self-sufficiency in food production

C. reducing agricultural exports

D. establishing commodity boards

40. A sugar industry is best located near the source of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. labour
- B. raw materials
- C. power

D. capital

41. An important contribution of small-scale industries to the Nigerian economy is in the area of

- A. technological development
- B. foreign exchange earnings
- C. raw materials processing
- D. labour employment

42. A change in the pump price of petrol in Nigeria has a direct effect on the \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. prices of consumer goods
- B. prices of essential goods
- C. cost of raw materials
- D. cost of transportation

43. Long-term funds for investment projects are sourced from the \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. money market
- B. commodity market
- C. foreign exchange market
- D. capital market

44. A policy aimed at enhancing globalization of the Nigerian economy is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. indigenization
- B. deregulation
- C. commercialization
- D. privatization

45. The Malthusian theory was concerned about the relationship between \_\_\_\_\_.

A. population growth rates of the rich and the poor nations

B. population density and national income

C. population growth rate and natural resources

D. age distribution of population

46. In a village of 50 persons, 10 immigrated, 25 died and 5 emigrated in year. Determine the total population.

A. 10

B. 20

C. 30

D. 50

47. A deficit balance of payments is measured by subtracting the debits from the credits in the

A. current account

B. current and capital accounts

C. current and escrow accounts D. capital and escrow accounts

48. One of the functions of ECOWAS is to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. provide funds for infrastructural developmentB. determine prices of exportsC. redistribute income among citizens

D. provide employment for citizens of member nations

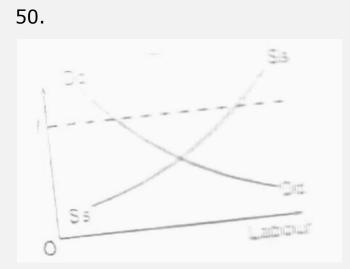
49. The reward on machinery and equipment in the process of production is known as \_\_\_\_\_.

A. profit

B. interest

C. rent

D. wages



From this diagram, the minimum wage **OW** will lead to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. full employment of resources
- B. unemployment
- C. inflation
- D. full employment of factors of production

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#### **JAMB ECONOMICS PAST QUESTIONS (PT.3)**

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1. Which question paper type of Economics is given to you?

- A. Type B
- B. Type I
- C. Type B
- D. Type U

2. An economy in which both the public and private sectors contribute to economic growth is as \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. feudal economy
- B. capitalist economy
- C. socialist economy
- D. mixed economy

3. If the standard deviation of a given data is 53, what is the variance?

- A. 2,082
- B. 2,809
- C. 2,808
- D. 2,209

4. Which of the following set of statistical tools is used for further economic analysis?

A. the median and standard deviation

B. the mean and mode

C. the mean and standard deviation

D. the mode and median

5. An advantage of the range as a measure of dispersion is that it

A. can be used to calculate openended distribution
B. make use of all values of observations in a distribution
C. takes all values into consideration
D. is useful for further statistical calculation

6. Find the median of the following set of data 35, 10, 14, 38, 15, 18, 22, 30 and 28.

- A. 10
- B. 38
- C. 35
- D. 22

An increase in demand without
 a corresponding change in supply
 will lead to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. a decrease in equilibrium priceand increase in equilibriumquantity

B. an increase in equilibrium price and quantity

C. a decrease in equilibrium price and quantity

D. an increase in equilibrium price
 and a decrease in equilibrium
 quantity

8. An increase in the price of a commodity will result in \_\_\_\_\_.

A. a decrease in the quantity demanded

B. an increase in demand

C. an increase in quantity demanded

D. a decrease in demand

9. If the price of a bicycle changes from N120 to N80 and quantity bought changes from 300 to 500 units, the elasticity of demand for bicycle is \_\_\_\_\_.

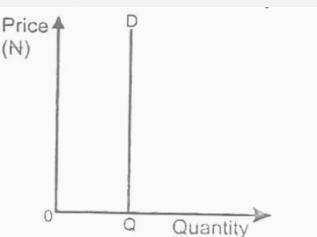
A. 66.7

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B. 0.5
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C. 1.5

D. 2.0

10.



From the graph above, the price elasticity of demand is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. unitarily elastic
- B. perfectly elastic
- C. perfectly inelastic
- D. fairly inelastic

11. One of the assumptions of the cardinalist approach is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. diminishing marginal rate of substitution

B. the consistency and transitivity of choice

C. that total utility depends on the quantity of the commodities consumed

D. unstable marginal utility of money

12. Utility is the satisfaction derived from the \_\_\_\_\_.

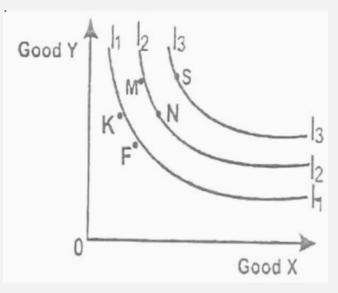
A. distribution of goods and services

B. use of goods and services

C. demand of goods and services

D. production of goods and services

13.



From the indifference curve, consumer will prefer combination

A. F

B. S

С. М

D. K

14. One of the major factors that brings about changes in supply is

- A. market discrimination
- B. availability of storage facilities
- C. the cost of storage
- D. incentives granted to workers

15. If  $P = \frac{1}{4}(Qs + 10)$ . What is the quantity supplied at N14?

- A. 14 B. 60
- C. 46
- D. 32

16. If the supply of a product is elastic, a small reduction in price will \_\_\_\_\_.

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A. reduce the cost of productionB. reduce the quantity suppliedC. increase the quantity suppliedD. lead to no change in the quantity supplied

17. The supply of beverages by firms in a monopolistic market is an example of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. derived demand
- B. competitive supply
- C. composite supply
- D. joint demand

18. If the price of a commodity is fixed below equilibrium, this will lead to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. excess demand
- B. a decrease in price
- C. an increase in price
- D. excess supply

19. One of the criticisms of the price mechanism is that \_\_\_\_\_.

A. producers are sovereign

B. it provides low degree of freedom

C. it widens the inequitable gap

D. consumers are sovereign

20. In Nigeria, government can reduce the cost of accommodation by fixing rent \_\_\_\_\_.

A. at the prevailing rateB. at the equilibrium priceC. above the equilibrium priceD. below the equilibrium price

If a refinery achieves a reduction in cost by purchasing and transporting crude oil in large quantities, it enjoys \_\_\_\_\_.

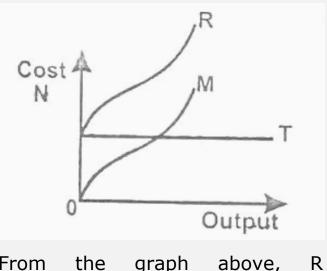
- A. economies of scale
- B. specialization
- C. division of labour
- D. diseconomies of scale

22. An isoquant lying above to the right of another represents \_\_\_\_\_

A. a higher output levelB. constant returns to scale

C. over-capacity utilizationD. a lower output level

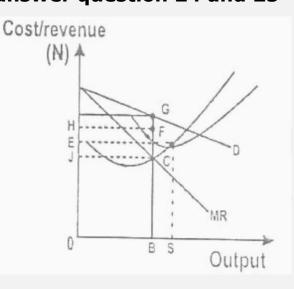
23.



From the graph above, represents \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. marginal cost
- B. total cost
- C. variable cost
- D. fixed cost

## Use the graph below to answer question 24 and 25



24. The optimum level of output of the firm is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. BC

B. OB C. OS

D. BS

25. The total revenue of the firm is represented by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. GHEF

B. GHJC

C. EFJC

D. GHOB

26. A measure of national income used as comparison of standard of living among nations is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. net national product
- B. gross domestic product
- C. gross national product
- D. per capita income

27. The speculative demand for money is inversely related to the

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A. interest rate

B. level of income

C. exchange rate

D. inflation rate

28. If Mr. K obtains a N50.000 loan from a bank for the purpose of providing household needs, the demand for money is said to be

- A. transactionary
- B. speculative
- C. precautionary and speculative
- D. transactional and speculative

29. Which of the following is used by the Central Bank of Nigeria to control inflation?

- A. Tariff on imports
- B. Tax rate
- C. Exchange rate
- D. Discount rate

30. If CBN reduces money supply, the interest rate will \_\_\_\_\_.

A. fluctuate

B. rise

- C. fall
- D. remain unchanged

31. An example of an expansionary fiscal policy action is

A. decrease in the corporate profit tax rates

B. decrease in welfare payments

C. purchase of government securities

D. decrease in the bank rate

32. A tax on land will ultimately fall \_\_\_\_\_.

A. partly on agents and users

- B. entirely on users
- C. entirely on owners
- D. partly on users and owners

33. One of the goals of development plans in Nigeria is to

A. increase the profitability of multinational businesses

B. improve the country's GDPC. achieve higher standard ofliving for the citizensD. deregulate the economy

34. Life insurance companies contribute to economic development by holding a part of their assets in \_\_\_\_\_.

A. long-term financial instruments
B. money market instruments
C. cash and near money
D. short-term financial

D. short-term financial instruments

35. In order to add value to Nigeria agricultural produce, there is need to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. cultivate high breed cropsB. process them into finished goods

C. adopt modern storage methodsD. advertise them in Europeanmarkets

36. The main reason for low agricultural produce in West Africa is need to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. the presence of large-scale agro-allied industriesB. high dependency ratioC. over dependence on agriculture for subsistenceD. the use of crude implements in farming process

37. The most important determinant for the location of a brick industry is the availability of

A. market
B. power supply
C. water
D. raw materials

38. In Nigeria, efficiency in public corporations can be achieved through \_\_\_\_\_.

A. public offerB. indigenizationC. privatization

D. nationalization

39. Government participation in the oil industry was necessitated by the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. annual increase in production

- B. formation of OPEC
- C. high demand for crude oil
- D. huge investment outlay

40. The deregulation of the petroleum sector in Nigeria will bring about \_\_\_\_\_.

A. efficiency in pricing and distribution of the products

B. an end to the importation of fuel

C. an end to foreign firms' dominance

D. fixing appropriate production quotas

41. A distinguishing characteristic of consumer co-operative society is that the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. the maximum number of shareholders is 20
B. members are the owners
C. members are the workers
D. the minimum number of shareholders is 5

42. A major disadvantage of partnership business is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. difficulty in the transfer of shares

- B. distrust among members
- C. limited liability
- D. large capital outlay

43. The quality of labour force in Nigeria can be improved by \_\_\_\_\_

A. establishing more tertiary institutions

B. creating sufficient job opportunities

C. encouraging the study of science and technology

D. establishing more skills acquisition centres

44. The effect of emigration on a country's population is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. decrease in the populationB. decrease in job opportunitiesC. increase in populationD. increase in dependency ratio

45. A measure for preventing the external value of the naira from falling is for the government to

A. increase its spending with foreign reserve

B. sell its own currency

\_\_\_\_\_•

C. reduce interest rate

D. buy its currency with foreign reserve

46. A fiscal policy instrument that can influence the demand pattern in an economy is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. government spending

B. interest rate

C. income tax

D. tariff

47. One of the main achievements of the Economic Commission for Africa is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. eliminating trade restrictions among states

B. encouraging transport and communication developmentC. guaranteeing a steady flow of foreign investment into AfricaD. providing the machinery for collaboration on monetary issues

48. The rate of interest charge on loans depends largely on \_\_\_\_\_.

A. the prevailing exchange rateB. marginal efficiency of capitalC. the risk associated with the loan

D. the prevailing tax rate

49. A valid explanation for real wage growth is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. an increase in the rate of productivity

B. the rising cost of capital accumulation

C. a contraction of employment in service industries

D. an increase in the quantity of labour

50. If Mr. X lost his clerical job at a store and searched for a similar job for ten months before finding one this implies that Mr. X was

A. structurally unemployed

\_\_\_\_\_•

- B. frictionally unemployed
- C. seasonally unemployed
- D. cyclically unemployed

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### **JAMB ECONOMICS PAST QUESTIONS (PT.4)**

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1. Which question paper type of Economic is given to you?

- A. Type F
- B. Type E
- C. Type L
- D. Type S

The choice of how to produce
 a command economy is
 determined by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. government
- B. consumer
- C. industrialists
- D. labour unions

3. In capitalist economies, questions about what to produce are ultimately answered by \_\_\_\_\_

A. income level of households

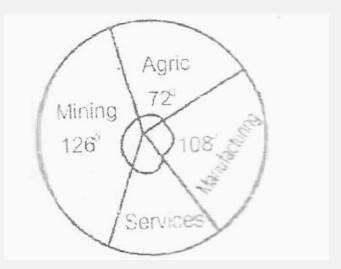
B. available technical skills in the economy

- C. output decisions of firms
- D. holding decision of households

4. The best measure of dispersion to determine the tallest tree in a forest is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. range
- B. variance
- C. standard deviation
- D. mean deviation

#### 5.



What is the percentage contribution of services to the national income?

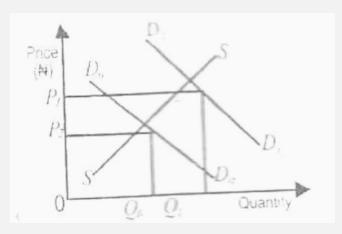
- A. 15%
- B. 10%
- C. 54%
- D. 24%

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6. If the national income is 360m, the contribution of the manufacturing sector is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. 312m
- B. 39m
- C. 318m
- D. 317m

7.



A combination of factors responsible for a shift from  $D_0D_0$  to  $D_1D_1$  are \_\_\_\_\_.

A. consumer's income and change in technology

B. price of the commodity and weather conditions consumer's income and population size

C. consumers taste and change in price

8. Given that Qd = 40-2P and Qs
= 6P+24. Calculate the equilibrium price.

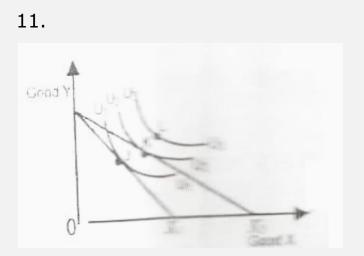
- A. ₦34
- B. **₦**32
- C. ₦36
- D. **₦**16

A change in demand for a normal goods implies that, there is a \_\_\_\_\_.

A. change in the quantity
demanded as price changes
B. shift in the demand curve
C. movement along a given
demand curve
D. change in the price elasticity of
demand

10. If a 10% rise in price causes a 5% decrease in the quantity demanded of a commodity, the elasticity demand is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. unitary elastic B.



From the graph above, the consumer will attain equilibrium at point \_\_\_\_\_.

A. J

B. K

C. L

D. M

12. A rightward shift of the budget line is caused by a \_\_\_\_\_.

A. fall in consumer income

B. change in consumer taste

C. fall in the commodity relative price

D. rise in the commodity relative price

13. Given the supply function P =  $\frac{1}{4}$ (Qs+10) when P = N10, what is Qs?

A. 20 B. 15 C. 50

D. 30

14.

Price (₦)	Quantity supplied	
8	20	
10	24	

From the table above, calculate the price elasticity of supply \_\_\_\_\_

A. 0.50

B. 0.80

- C. 2.00
- D. 1.25

15. When price is set below equilibrium, this will lead to \_\_\_\_\_

A. an increase in the quantity supplied

B. a new equilibrium

C. a decrease in the quantity supplied

D. a fall in price

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16. Price mechanism determines the prices of commodities through

- A. auctioning
- B. market forces
- C. the sales of treasury bills
- D. government legislation

#### 17.

Unit	Total	Average	Marginal
of	product	product	product
labour			
1	8	8	
2	20	10	12
3	E	9	7
4	28	7	F
5	40	8	12

From the table above, find the values of E and F respectively.

A. 27 and 1

- B. 68 and 12
- C. 28 and 5
- D. 12 and 19

18. If the production of a large firm is higher than that of a small firm, it is experiencing \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. external economies of scale
- B. external diseconomies of scale
- C. internal economies of scale
- D. internal diseconomies of scale

19. Division of labour requires that, the tasks in a production line be performed \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. by specialists
- B. in stages
- C. by all workers
- D. by unskilled labourers

20. Given that FC = \$500, VC = \$1,500, and Q = 50 units. Find the average cost of the product.

A. ₩30 B. ₩40 C. ₩10 D. ₩20

21. Rent and administrative expenses are examples of \_\_\_\_\_.

A. average fixed costs
B. average variable costs
C. fixed costs
D. variable costs

22. A perfect competitor will

continue to expand output up to the point where \_\_\_\_\_.

A. TC > TR

 $\mathsf{B.}\;\mathsf{MR}=\mathsf{AR}$ 

C. MC < MR

D. MC > MR

23. One of the characteristics of a monopolist is that, he can influence \_\_\_\_\_.

A. quantity produced by other producers

B. prices charged by other producers

C. both price and quantity

D. price or quantity

24. A monopolist can boost up his revenue by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. adjusting both price and output upward

B. reducing total output to match price

C. increasing price

D. reducing price

25. Which of the following can be used to measure the Gross National product in an open economy?

A. C+I+G+(X+M)
B. C+I+G+X
C. C+I+G
D. C+I+G+(X-M)

26. If MPC = 2/3 and investment is #100 million, the level of national income is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. ₦100 million B. ₦10 million

- C. ₦303 million
- D. ₦300 million

27. The precautionary demand for money is determined by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the rate of interest
- B. the level of savings
- C. the level of income
- D. general price level

28. An inflation that co-exists with high rate of unemployment is

- A. hyperinflation
- B. stagflation

- C. demand-pull inflation
- D. cost-push inflation

29. One of the challenges facing the banking industry in Nigeria is

- A. ensuring technological security
- B. providing employment
- C. providing loans for investment
- D. creating more money

30. Short-term loans for investment are usually obtained through the \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. stock market
- B. development banks

C. money market D. capital market

31. Given a base year and the price index of 175% the following year, which of the following year will arise?

A. The cost of living decreases of that year

B. The cost of living remains unchanged

C. The value of money rises by 75%

D. The value of money falls by75%

32. Wage freeze is a policy measure aimed at \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. encouraging investors
- B. curbing inflation
- C. regulating standard of living
- D. curbing deflation

33. A major obstacle to the development of Nigeria economy is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. low capital formationB. rural-urban migrationC. over dependence on oilD. poor developmental policies

34. A major feature of an underdeveloped economy is

A. excess capacity utilizationB. low rate of population growthC. low level of standard of livingD. low level of unemployment

35. An important role of agriculture in Nigeria's economic development is the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. processing of raw materials for industries

B. regulation of price system

C. provision of infrastructure

D. provision of employment

36. An advantage of large-scale farming over peasant farming is in the area of \_\_\_\_\_.

A. providing research and massive employment of labour
B. redistributing national income to various regions of the country
C. encouraging the use of traditional implements
D. encouraging urban-rural

37. A major disadvantage of localization of industry is \_\_\_\_\_.

migration

Α. the risk structural of unemployment B. over-utilization of installed industrial capacity C. the risk of seasonal unemployment D. under-utilization of installed industrial capacity

38. One major factor that determines the location of an industry is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. tax exemption grant

B. its proximity to the market

C. the capital base

D. the social responsibility of the firm

39. The major contribution of OPEC to the Nigerian economy is the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. provision of social infrastructures

B. granting of subsidies on petroleum products

C. stabilization of oil prices

D. building of refineries

40. The loading of crude oil at the terminal is an activity in the

A. downstream sector of the oil industry

B. upstream and downstream sector of the oil industry

C. upstream sector of the oil industry

D. midstream and upstream sectors of the oil industry

41. The short-run average variable cost of a firm will rise owing to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. the expansion of factory spaceB. the building of new warehouseC. an increase in the cost of labour

D. an increase in the salaries of directors

42. Firms embark on vertical integration in other to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. take over markets formally controlled by other firms

B. prevent other firms from entering the market

C. reduce advertisement and management cost

D. enjoy economies of large-scale production

43. The voting power in cooperative societies is vested on

A. managementB. members without loan

C. shareholders

D. members with the highest contribution

44. An accurate census figure is an important tool for planners in

- A. providing employment
- B. siting industries
- C. providing social amenities
- D. allocating resources

45. An accurate population census is important in other to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. produce more food for the growing population

B.provideemploymentopportunities for the people

C. estimate a country's per capita income

D. fast track industrial development

46. A major determinant of floating exchange rate is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. the highest denomination of the currencyB. an Act of the parliamentC. the system of governmentD. the forest of demand and supply

47. If the importation of a commodity is limited to a definite quantity, the trade control measure imposed is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. excise duties
- B. import duties
- C. quotas
- D. tariff

48. The main objective of WTO is to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. ensure adequate protection of infant industries

B. provide a mechanism for tariff reduction

C. assist countries with chronic balance of payments problem

D. assist developing countries to execute developmental projects

49. The major determinant of the total volume of output in an economy is the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. level of total expenditureB. composition of consumer spending

C. number of farmers

D. size of the labour force

50. The labour force of a country is determined by the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. age structure of the populationB. geographical distribution of the population

C. sex distribution of the population

D. number of people available for work

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### **JAMB ECONOMICS PAST QUESTIONS (PT.5)**

 The major implication of high dependency ratio on an economy is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. high capital formation

B. vicious cycle of poverty

C. low cost of living

D. high standard of living

2. One of the major problems of agricultural sector in Nigeria is

A. low literacy level of farmers

B. small size of farms

C. pest attack on crops

D. inadequate modem farm implements

3. Cooperative societies are characterized with \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. divergent interest of members
- B. limited liability

C. free entry and exit

D. unlimited size of membership

4. The marginal propensity to save measures the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. ratio of change in saving

B. change in supply as a result of

- a change in consumption
- C. ratio of change in consumption
- to a change in the level of income
- D. average propensity to consume

5. Structural unemployment is mainly caused by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. a change in the consumption pattern

- B. a change in the business cycle
- C. decrease in the output level
- D. seasonal variation

6. One of the major problems of census in Nigeria is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. inadequate skilled personnel

- B. high dependency ratio
- C. distortion of census figures
- D. high cost of conducting census

7. A decrease in government expenditure in an economy will cause general price level to \_\_\_\_\_

A. remain constant

- B. fluctuate
- C. fall

D. rise

8.

Unit of Labour	ТР	AP	MP
1	6	6	
2	14	7	8
3	К	9	13
4	40	10	F

From the table above, find the values of K and F respectively.

- A. 13 and 27
- B. 27 and 13
- C. 10 and 27
- D. 27 and 10

9. In the theory of consumer behaviour, the sum of all marginal utilities is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. average marginal utility

B. the initial marginal utility

- C. total utility
- D. diminishing marginal utility.

10. In a pure capitalist economy, the means and forces of production are owned and controlled by the \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. public and private sectors
- B. feudal lords
- C. public sector
- D. private sector

11. A factor earning which is paid out as unemployment benefit is referred to as \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. interest rate
- B. direct rate
- C. economic rent
- D. transfer payment

12. From the graph above, FG indicates \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. equilibrium quantity demanded
- B. excess supply
- C. equilibrium quantity supplied

D. excess demand 13. The demand for money is referred to as the . A. amount of money in fixed deposit B. desire to hold money intangible assets C. need for money to invest D. desire to hold money in liquid form rather than investing it 14. In the theory of production, a producer is at equilibrium at a point where \_\_\_\_\_. A. isocost is above the isoquant curve B. isoquant is below the isocost curve C. isocost is tangent to the marginal revenue D. isoquant is tangent to the isocost curve 15. Balance of trade shows the relationship between the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. internal and external trade

B. total value visible import andExport

C. deficit and surplus balance of payments

D. total value of invisible import and export.

16. If the cash reserve ratio is30%, a new deposit of ₦20 millionwill increase supply by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. ₦57.8m
- B. ₦47.9m
- C. ₦69.78m
- D. ₦66.7m

17. A fall in the price of ostentatious goods will \_\_\_\_\_.

A. increase the quantitydemandedB. decrease the quantity

demanded

C. decrease demand

D. increase demand

18. Payment of interests on loans and the repayment of capital sum at a future date is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. balance debt
- B. debt servicing
- C. debt relief
- D. debt retaking

19. The most difficult measure of central tendency to determine in a grouped data is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. range
- B. variance
- C. mean
- D. mode

20. Localization of industry is mainly determined by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. diseconomies of scale
- B. population growth
- C. division of labour
- D. access to raw materials

21. Geographical distribution of a population is affected by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. low birth rate

B. the availability of skilled manpower

C. the availability of agricultural land

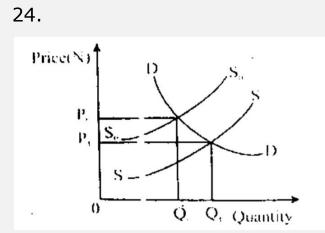
D. high birth rate

22. A tax burden on a commodity will be shared equally if the demand is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. fairly elasticB. perfectly inelasticC. fairly inelastic
- D. unitary elastic

23. Higher income taxes can be used to control \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. demand-pull inflation
- B. high interest rates
- C. cost- push inflation
- D. hyperinflation



From the graph above, a shift of the Supply curve from  $S_0S_0$ , to  $S_1S_1$  will lead to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. a decrease in price and quantity

B. no change in price and quantityC. an increase in price and

D. a decrease in price and an increase in quantity

25. An indifference map is made up of a set of \_\_\_\_\_.

A. consumers' total utility

- B. consumer surplus
- C. budget lines

quantity

D. indifference curves

26. Recapitalization policy will enable commercial banks to

- A. employ more qualified workers
- B. open more branches
- C. reduce interest rate
- D. have a very strong capital base

The number of persons required to form a private company ranges from \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. ten to twenty
- B. two to fifty
- C. two to seven
- D. seven to ten

28. The major function of international monetary funds is the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. provision of short-run loans to medium scale industriesB. provision of long-term loans for infrastructureC. development of agriculture in

member countries

D. maintenance of stable exchange rates

29. One of the major activities in the upstream sector of the Nigeria petroleum industry includes

A. transportation of finished products

B. refining of crude oil

C. marketing of refined petrol

D. exploration of crude oil.

30. The law of supply states that the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. higher the price the higher the quantity supplied

B. quantity supplied is always equal to the quantity demanded

C. lower the price the higher the quantity supplied

D. higher the price the lower the quantity supplied

31. One of the features of a perfect competitive firm is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. restrictions to entry and exit

B. price discrimination

C. absence of transportation cost

D. product differentiation.

32. The basis for international trade is the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. differences in natural resources endowment

B. differences in the population size

C. prevailing interest rate on multilateral loans

D. economic system in practice

33. Training farmers on the improved farming techniques is the major activity of \_\_\_\_\_.

A. intermediate workers

B. middlemen

C. extension workers

D. creditors

34. In a free market economy, prices are determined by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. consumers

B. producers

C. the central government

D. the forces of demand and supply

35. The basic economic problem of what to produce in an economy is determined by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. the availability of labour

B. the means of distribution

C. the availability of resources

D. technological know-how

36. In Nigeria, a fall in the supply of petrol would generally affect the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. import of goods and servicesB. export of goods and servicesC. general price level in the country

D. exchange rate of the Naira

37. The short-run equilibrium point of a perfectly competitive firm is attained at a point where

A. is equal to total cost

B. the demand curve is tangential to the marginal cost

C. the marginal cost curve is equal to the marginal revenue curve

D. the marginal cost is equal to the price of the firm

38. Government can protect consumers from exploitative prices by introducing \_\_\_\_\_.

A. minimum price

- B. price differentiation
- C. price floor
- D. maximum price

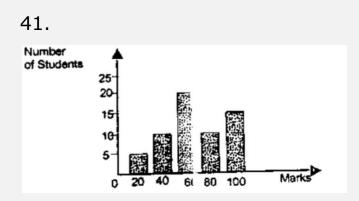
39. If a fall in the price of commodity K brought about an increase in the demand for commodity Y, the two commodities are \_\_\_\_\_.

A. composites

- B. derived in nature
- C. substitutes
- D. complements

40. In the theory of production, the price of a factor input is determined by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the prevailing exchange rates
- B. its elasticity of demand
- C. the existence of large market
- D. the prevailing interest rates



From the graph above, find the modal score

- A. 40
- B. 20
- C. 100
- D. 60

42. When the selling price of a monopolist is below his short-run marginal cost, he is said to be making \_\_\_\_\_.

A. an economic profit

B. Losses

- C. profit
- D. supernormal profit

43. The overall economic performance of a country can be assessed through \_\_\_\_\_.

A. overlooking of its agricultural sector

- B. employment estimates
- C. national income estimates
- D. balance of payment

44. The supply of agricultural products is mainly determined by

A. consumers' taste

- B. consumers' income
- C. technology
- D. consumers

45. Determine the median of 6 10, 5, 12, 20, 18, 20 and 4.

A. 11 B. 9.67 C. 12.56

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D. 12

46.

X	F
10-20	4
21-30	6
31-40	10
41-50	50
51-60	3
61-70	5

From the table above, find the range of the distribution.

A. 50

B. 11

C. 70

D. 59

47. The failure of the Nigeria industrial sector is mainly associated with \_\_\_\_\_.

A. lack of raw materials

B. inadequate market for industrial goods

C. underdeveloped infrastructural facilities

D. inadequate capital

48. If Qd = 40-4P and P = N4, what is the quantity demanded?

A. 30

- B. 32
- C. 24
- D. 26.

49. The long-run total cost curve shows the cost of \_\_\_\_\_.

A. all fixed factors of productionB. the average fixed cost

C. all factor inputs that are employed

D. variable factors of production

50. The supply of farm produce is mainly determined by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. consumers' income
- B. weather condition
- C. population
- D. consumers' taste

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