

Economics 2030
Problem Set 1
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1. Which of the following will change quantity demanded?
 - a. an increase in consumer income
 - b. a decrease in consumer income
 - c. a change in the number of consumers
 - d. a change in the price of the good

2. Which of the following will increase quantity demanded?
 - a. an increase in consumer income
 - b. a decrease in consumer income
 - c. an increase in the price of the good
 - d. a decrease in the price of the good

3. Which of the following will increase the demand for Granny Smith apples (GSA)?
 - a. a decrease the price of GSA
 - b. an increase in the price of GSA
 - c. a decrease in the price of Kiwi-style apples
 - d. an increase in the price of Kiwi-style apples

4. If the demand for good X increases when the price of Y increases, then X and Y are
 - a. normal goods
 - b. inferior goods
 - c. substitute goods
 - d. complementary goods

5. Market supply represents the sum at every price of each
 - a. individual firm's supply.
 - b. individual consumer's demand curve
 - c. individual consumer's supply curve
 - d. normal good

6. What happens to the supply of corn if the weather improves?
 - a. the supply curve will shift to the left
 - b. the supply curve will shift to the right
 - c. there is no change in supply, only a change in quantity supplied
 - d. none of the above

7. When Ford Motor Company introduced assembly-line production of the Model A car, the number of hours it required to produce a car went from 720 hours per car to 1.5 hours per car. This innovation resulted in which of the following
 - a. it shifted the Ford Motor Company's supply curve to the right
 - b. it shifted the Ford Motor company's supply curve to the left
 - c. it shifted the Ford Motor Company's demand curve to the right
 - d. it shifted the Ford Motor Company's demand curve to the left

8. The price of a complement for good X increases at the same time the price of an input for producing X decreases. What will happen in the market for X?
- P & Q both increase
 - P decreases & Q is uncertain
 - P & Q both decrease
 - Q decreases & P is uncertain
9. If a surplus exists in the market for apples, what is likely to happen to the price of apples?
- increase
 - decrease
 - stay the same
 - either increase or decrease
10. If a shortage exists in the market for apples, what is likely to happen to the price of apples?
- increase
 - decrease
 - stay the same
 - either increase or decrease
11. The diamond/water example yields a lesson that market price
- is determined by demand
 - is determined by supply
 - depends mainly on demand
 - depends on both demand and supply
12. A temporary increase in demand is more likely to result in an increase in price
- when inventory cost is low & the % of customers who are regulars is low
 - when inventory cost is high & the % of customers who are regulars is high
 - when inventory cost is low & the % of customers who are regulars is high
 - when inventory cost is high & the % of customers who are regulars is low
13. With MB a consumer's marginal benefit from a good, market demand schedules slope down because
- an individual's MB falls as more is consumed & individuals differ in MB
 - an individual's MB is unchanged as more is consumed & individuals differ in MB
 - scarcity is less important as price falls
 - an individual's MB rises as more is consumed & individuals differ in MB
14. To optimize net benefits = TB minus TC
- produce where $MB > MC$
 - produce where $MB = MC$
 - produce where $MB < MC$
 - none of the above
15. If the price of Y increases when Q decreases
- the demand for Y must have increased
 - the demand for Y must have decreased
 - the supply of Y must have decreased
 - the supply of Y must have increased

16. Washington apples sell for $P_W = \$10$ in Washington & $P_{NC} = \$13$ in North Carolina. It costs \$2 per unit to ship apples from Washington to NC. Shipping cost in Washington is essentially zero. In the long run:
- the supply of apples will increase in Washington & decrease in NC until $P_W - \$2 = P_{NC}$
 - the supply of apples will decrease in Washington & increase in NC until $P_{NC} - \$2 = P_W$
 - the supply of peaches will increase in Washington & stay the same in NC
 - none of the above
17. With horizontal supply, an increase in demand
- increases P & Q
 - increases P but Q is unchanged
 - increases Q but P is unchanged
 - increases Q & decreases P
18. If $MB = \$4$ & $MC = \$7$
- increasing Q by 1 increases total benefit by \$3
 - increasing Q by 1 decreases total benefit by \$3
 - increasing Q by 1 increases net benefit by \$3
 - increasing Q by 1 decreases net benefit by \$3
19. A hurricane is expected to reach land in two days What will happen in the market for bottled water (BW)?
- demand for BW will decrease, & supply of BW will increase
 - demand for & supply of BW will decrease
 - demand for & supply of BW will increase
 - demand for BW will increase, & supply of BW will decrease
20. Causation means
- A & B are related
 - A causes B
 - B causes A
 - either A causes B or vice versa

Answers are listed below.*

*1) d, 2) d, 3) d, 4) c, 5) a, 6) b, 7) a, 8) b, 9) b, 10) a, 11) d, 12) d, 13) a, 14) b, 15) c, 16) b, 17) c, 18) d, 19) d, & 20) d.