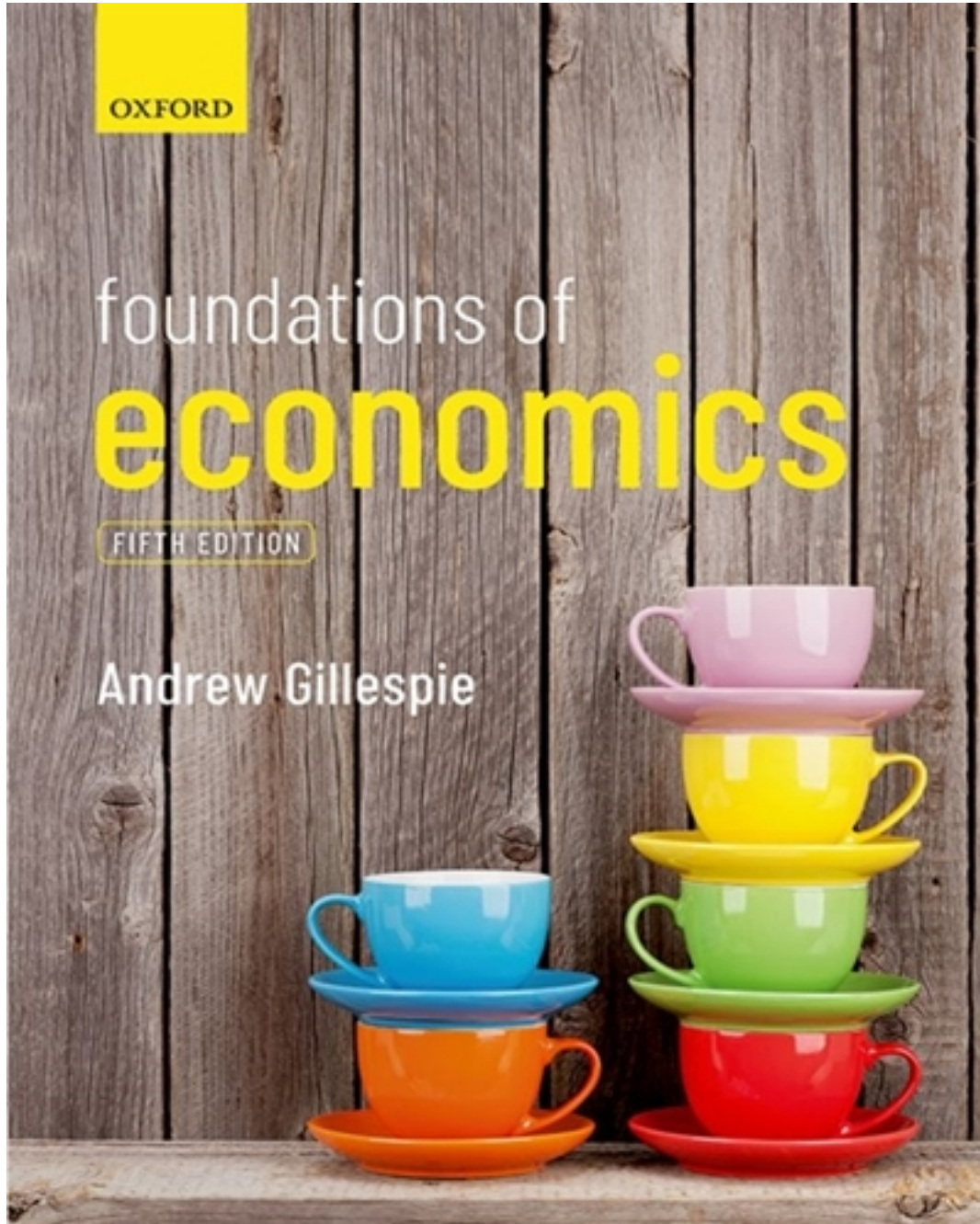


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Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 – Question 01

01) The Production Possibility Frontier shows:

a. What customers want to buy.

Feedback: The Production Possibility Frontier shows the maximum combinations of products an economy can produce with its available resources. It shows what can be produced rather than demand.

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b. What a firm can produce.

Feedback: The Production Possibility Frontier shows the maximum combinations of products an economy can produce with its available resources. It shows what all firms combined can produce, not one business.

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***c.** The maximum combinations of products an economy can produce with its available resources.

Feedback: The Production Possibility Frontier shows the maximum combinations of products an economy can produce with its available resources.

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d. The minimum outputs of products that can be produced at any moment.

Feedback: The Production Possibility Frontier shows the maximum combinations of products an economy can produce with its available resources.

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Title: Chapter 02 - Question 02

02) The maximum an economy is able to produce of a product does **not** depend on:

a. The skills of the labour force

Feedback: The maximum an economy can produce of a product does not depend on the demand; it depends on the supply. The demand determines whether it can be bought not whether it can be made.

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***b.** The demand

Feedback: The maximum an economy can produce of a product does not depend on the demand; it depends on the supply. The demand determines whether it can be bought, not whether it can be made.

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c. The level of capital

Feedback: The maximum an economy can produce of a product does not depend on the demand; it depends on the supply. The demand determines whether it can be bought, not whether it can be made.

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d. The level of investment

Feedback: The maximum an economy can produce of a product does not depend on the demand; it depends on the supply. The demand determines whether it can be bought, not whether it can be made.

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Title: Chapter 02 - Question 03

03) Productive efficiency occurs when:

a. Everyone is very busy.

Feedback: Productive efficiency occurs when more of one product can only be produced if less of another is produced. This occurs on the Production Possibility Frontier.

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***b.** More of one product can only be produced if less of another is produced.

Feedback: Productive efficiency occurs when more of one product can only be produced if less of another is produced. This occurs on the Production Possibility Frontier.

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c. Customers are happy.

Feedback: Productive efficiency occurs when more of one product can only be produced if less of another is produced. This occurs on the Production Possibility Frontier.

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d. Costs are maximized.

Feedback: Productive efficiency occurs when more of one product can only be produced if less of another is produced. This occurs on the Production Possibility Frontier.

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Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 04

04) If an economy is producing within its Production Possibility Frontier:

***a.** It is productively inefficient.

Feedback: If an economy is producing within its Production Possibility Frontier it is productively inefficient.

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b. Customers are spending too much.

Feedback: If an economy is producing within its Production Possibility Frontier it is productively inefficient.

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c. The economy's resources are fully employed.

Feedback: If an economy is producing within its Production Possibility Frontier it is productively inefficient. Resources are not fully employed.

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d. Firms are maximizing profits.

Feedback: If an economy is producing within its Production Possibility Frontier it is productively inefficient.

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Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 05

05) An outward shift in the Production Possibility Frontier may be due to:

***a.** Better training of employees

Feedback: An outward shift in the Production Possibility Frontier may be due to better training of employees.

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b. An increase in unemployment

Feedback: An outward shift in the Production Possibility Frontier may be due to better training of employees. More unemployment would lead to a combination of outputs within the frontier.

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c. Productive inefficiency

Feedback: An outward shift in the Production Possibility Frontier may be due to better training of employees. Productive inefficiency occurs within the frontier.

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d. A fall in demand for goods and services in the economy

Feedback: An outward shift in the Production Possibility Frontier may be due to better training of employees.

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Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02- Question 06

06) The resources of an economy at any moment:

***a.** Are limited.

Feedback: The resources of an economy at any moment are limited.

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b. Are infinite.

Feedback: The resources of an economy at any moment are limited.

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c. Are free.

Feedback: The resources of an economy at any moment are limited.

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d. Have no opportunity cost.

Feedback: The resources of an economy at any moment are limited.

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Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02- Question 07

07) An outward shift in the Production Possibility Frontier could be caused by:

a. A change in demand patterns

Feedback: The frontier can shift outwards with more resources or better technology. It is a supply issue, not a demand one.

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b. An increase in demand

Feedback: The frontier can shift outwards with more resources or better technology. It is a supply issue, not a demand one.

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***c.** An increase in the size of the workforce

Feedback: The frontier can shift outwards with more resources or better technology.

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d. A reallocation of resources between industries

Feedback: The frontier can shift outwards with more resources or better technology. A reallocation of resources leads to a movement along the PPF.

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Type: true-false

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 08

08) Any combination of products on the Production Possibility Frontier is productively efficient.

***a.** True

Feedback: Yes, any combination on the frontier is productively efficient, any combination within the frontier is inefficient and any combination outside the frontier is unattainable without trade.

b. False

Feedback: Any combination on the frontier is productively efficient, any combination within the frontier is inefficient and any combination outside the frontier is unattainable without trade.

Type: true-false

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 09

09) An increase in demand will automatically shift the Production Possibility Frontier outwards.

a. True

Feedback: Demand affects what combination of products are consumed but does not affect the total amount an economy can actually produce- this is determined by the resources available.

***b.** False

Feedback: Correct. Demand affects what combination of products are consumed but does not affect the total amount an economy can actually produce – this is determined by the resources available.

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Title: Chapter 02 - Question 10

10) The fact that output has to be sacrificed if an economy is productively efficient as resources are switched from one industry to another highlights the concept of _____.

Feedback: Opportunity cost shows the benefit available in the next best alternative.

a. opportunity cost

Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 11

11) If an economy is operating within its PPF:

a. It is productively efficient.

Feedback: Operating within the PPF indicates that there are resources that have not been fully utilised.

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***b.** It can produce more of both goods with the given resources.

Feedback: Operating within the PPF indicates that there are resources that have not been fully utilised.

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c. Resources are being fully utilised.

Feedback: Operating within the PPF indicates that there are resources that have not been fully utilised.

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d. The economy should reduce its production.

Feedback: Operating within the PPF indicates that there are resources that have not been fully utilised.

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Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 12

12) The opportunity cost of producing a good is:

***a.** The best foregone alternative

Feedback: Opportunity cost is the cost associated with the best foregone alternative.

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b. Its total cost

Feedback: Opportunity cost is the cost associated with the best foregone alternative.

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c. The cost of producing an additional unit

Feedback: Opportunity cost is the cost associated with the best foregone alternative.

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d. All the other potential alternatives

Feedback: Opportunity cost is the cost associated with the best foregone alternative.

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Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 13

13) Which of the following would not be an indication of productive inefficiency within an economy?

a. High levels of unemployment

Feedback: Inefficiency is associated with under-utilised resources.

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***b.** No unemployment

Feedback: Inefficiency is associated with under-utilised resources.

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c. Unused factory buildings

Feedback: Inefficiency is associated with under-utilised resources.

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d. Idle machinery

Feedback: Inefficiency is associated with under-utilised resources.

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Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 14

14) Increased investment in capital goods will likely lead to:

a. An inward shift in the PPF

Feedback: Increased investment will lead to an outward shift of the PPF over time.

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b. No change in the PPF

Feedback: Increased investment will lead to an outward shift of the PPF over time.

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***c.** An outward shift in the PPF

Feedback: Increased investment will lead to an outward shift of the PPF over time.

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d. None of the above

Feedback: Increased investment will lead to an outward shift of the PPF over time.

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Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 15

16) Which of the following is not associated with an outward shift in the PPF?

***a.** A reduction in the retirement age of working individuals.

Feedback: An increase in resources, improvements in technology, and an increase in birth rate will shift the PPF outwards.

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b. An increase in the birth rate

Feedback: An increase in resources, improvements in technology, and an increase in birth rate will shift the PPF outwards.

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c. Increased training

Feedback: An increase in resources, improvements in technology, and an increase in birth rate will shift the PPF outwards.

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d. Technological progress

Feedback: An increase in resources, improvements in technology, and an increase in birth rate will shift the PPF outwards.

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