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FIRST OPPORTUNITY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER			
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INSTRUCTIONS		
1.	Answer ALL the questions.	
2.	Write clearly and neatly.	
3.	Number the answers clearly.	

PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS

- 1. Examination question paper
- 2. Answering book

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 6 PAGES (Excluding this front page)

SECTION 1 MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS (15 MARKS)

Question 1

Which of the following statement is incorrect? International trade occurs because

- A. Nations trade
- B. Inter-Industries trade
- C. Intra-Industries trade
- D. There is specialization and differentiation

Question 2

Greater inter-Industrial trade is an indication that

- A. Countries have a greater number of factors of production
- B. Countries have a similar number of factors of production
- C. Countries have different number of factors of production
- D. Countries have a smaller number of factors of production

Question 3

Which of the following statement is incorrect? In an imperfectly competitive market, there is

- A. Price discrimination
- B. Homogenous pricing
- C. Market segmentation
- D. Market failure

Question 4

Which of the following is an example of a profit-maximizing strategy?

- A. Tariff
- B. Tariff rate
- C. Quota
- D. Dumping

Question 5

A firm in country A dumps chicken into country B, what is the demand curve for this firm in countries A and B?

- A. The firm faces a downward demand curve in country A
- B. The firm faces a downward demand curve in country B
- C. The firm faces a horizontal demand curve in country A
- D. The firm faces an upward demand curve in country B

- A firm is guilty of dumping only if
- A. It is subsidized
- B. It is a low-cost producer
- C. There is an injury to the country where dumping occurred
- D. There is an arbitration to establish there is an injury to the country where dumping occurred

Question 7

Dynamic increasing returns to scale implies

- A. Dynamic external economies of scale
- B. Dynamic internal economies of scale
- C. Dynamic external trade integration
- D. Dynamic external terms of trade

Question 8

Mr Jones imports a commodity from Japan into Namibia, at the port, he paid 21% of the value of the goods. This implies Mr Jones paid.

- A. An import tax
- B. A custom duty
- C. A specific tariff
- D. An ad valorem tariff

Question 9

Which of the following statements is a correct effect of a tariff imposed by a small country?

- A. The price of that good in a foreign country will not fall
- B. The price of that good in a foreign country will fall
- C. The price of that good in the domestic country will fall
- D. The price of that good in foreign and domestic countries will not fall

Suppose an electronic sells for N\$ 6000 per unit in the market, and the factor cost of producing it is N\$2000. What value did electronics add to the industry?

- A. N\$1000
- B. N\$4000
- C. N\$8000
- D.N\$12000

Question 11

What trade principle advocates for equal treatment

- A. Rule of Origin
- B. Most Favoured Nation
- C. Quarantine
- D. National procurement rule

Question 12

Which of the following statement is incorrect about countries in a Free Trade Area?

- A. They have a common external tariff
- B. They charge no tariff for members
- C. They have no common external tariff
- D. Non-members may benefit from low or free tariff

Question 13

A Chinese national imported textile into South Africa destined for Namibia. What duty should he pay at the Namibia border?

- A. No tariff because South Africa is in a Customs Union with Namibia
- B. A tariff because China is not in a trade union with Namibia
- C. A quota because South Africa is in a Customs Union with Namibia
- D. A tariff because South Africa is in a Customs Union with Namibia

Question 14

Which of the following is an example of a monetary Union?

A. SADC

- B. ECOWAS
- C. European Union
- D. SACU

Which of the following is not a value-adding property of the marketing system?

- A. Place utility
- B. Form Utility
- C. Possession Utility
- D. Consumer Utility

SECTION 2 TRUE OR FALSE (5 MARKS)

- 1. For a country to gain in trade, it must have a comparative advantage. True or False
- 2. A country that has external economies of scale produce at least cost. True or False
- A tariff will cause the price of goods to fall in a foreign country relative to a domestic country.

 True or False
- 4. Southern African Customs Union (SACU) is an example of a common market. True or False
- 5. Trade restrictions other than tariffs, such as quotas, and export taxes, are prohibited by World Trade Organization, True or False.

SECTION 3 ESSAY-TYPE QUESTIONS (80 MARKS)

Question 1

When a buyer and a seller engage in a voluntary transaction, both receive something that they want and both can be made better off.

1.1 Give reasons to explain why countries engage in trade.

(10 marks)

1.2. Countries trade more in one commodity than the other, explain the factors that determines a nations pattern of trade (10 marks)

Question 2

Tariffs, import quotas, export subsidies and voluntary export restrain are instruments of protectionism and trade restrictions.

2.1. Explain the effects of using them in the imposing nation on the

i) Producer surplus (3 marks)

ii) Consumer surplus (3 marks)

iii) Government revenue (3 marks)

iv) National welfare (3 marks)

2.2.

The theories of why trade occurs can be grouped into categories such as:

- i) Labour productivity
- ii) Differences in factor endowment
- iii) Economies of scale
- iv) Consumer preference
- 2.2.1. Discuss the role of each factor in creating a productive advantage that results in a gainful trade.

(8 marks)

- 3.1. The classical theory of Adam Smith advocates specialization and division of labour. What are the benefits of specialization and division of labour? (6 marks)
- 3.2. What is the pre-condition for achieving welfare increases due to specialization and division of labour? (4 marks)
- 3.3. Using examples (where necessary), explain the principles of comparative advantage (2 marks)
- 3.4. What are the simplifying assumptions underlying the law of comparative advantage? (8 marks)

Question 4

- 4.1. Explain with reasons in support or against the following misconception about comparative advantage.
- i) Free trade is beneficial only if a country is more productive than foreign countries (3 marks)
- ii) Free trade with countries that pay low wages hurts high-wage countries. (3 marks)
- iv) Free trade exploits less productive countries. (4 marks)
- 4.2. What is a biased growth (2 marks)
- 4.3. Illustrate with examples the difference between export and import-based (4 marks)
- 4.4. Assume Country A has a comparative advantage in Cloth and Wine over Country B. Country B has a less comparative disadvantage in Wine than in cloth. Explain how export or import-biased growth can affect countries A and B. (4 marks)

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