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PART 1: Multiple Choice Questions

1. (5%) Carol consumes X_1 and X_2 together in fixed proportions. She always consumes 2 units of X_1 for every unit of X_2 . One utility function that describes her preferences is
 - (A) $U(X_1, X_2) = X_1 + 2X_2$
 - (B) $U(X_1, X_2) = 2X_1 + X_2$
 - (C) $U(X_1, X_2) = \min \{X_1, 2X_2\}$
 - (D) $U(X_1, X_2) = \min \{2X_1, X_2\}$

2. (5%) The production function is given by $Y = 4X^{0.5}$. If the price of the commodity produced is \$60 per unit and the cost of the input is \$10 per unit, what is the maximum amount of profit the firm will make?
 - (A) \$1,440
 - (B) \$1,880
 - (C) \$2,880
 - (D) \$1,425

3. (5%) The demand function for orange juice is $Q = 247 - 8P$ and the supply function is $Q = 19 + 4P$. The government decides to support the price of orange juice at a price floor of \$27 per unit by buying orange juice and destroying all that it has purchased. How many units must the government destroy?
 - (A) 105
 - (B) 10
 - (C) 40
 - (D) 96

4. (5%) Some statistics for an economy are given as follows: Population = 300, Labor Force = 200, and Employment = 150. If the natural rate of unemployment is 10%, what would the output gap be in this economy according to Okun's Law?
 - (A) -15%
 - (B) -30%
 - (C) 15%
 - (D) 30%

5. (5%) Assume that an economy has a short-run expectations-augmented Phillips curve $\pi = \pi^e - 0.5(u - 0.06)$. Then the natural rate of unemployment is:
 - (A) 0.12
 - (B) 0.06
 - (C) 0.03
 - (D) 0.5

6. (5%) Suppose that your company is in equilibrium with its capital stock at its desired level. A permanent increase in the depreciation rate now has what effect on your desired capital stock?
 - (A) Raises it because the future marginal productivity of capital is higher.
 - (B) Lowers it because the future marginal productivity of capital is lower.
 - (C) Raises it because the user cost of capital is now lower.
 - (D) Lowers it because the user cost of capital is now higher.

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PART 2: Numerical Problems

7. (15%) A person's utility function is of the form $U(X, Y) = 5XY$. The prices of good X and Y are $P_X = 4$ and $P_Y = 2$, respectively. The person's income, M is = 1200.

- What quantities of X and Y should the consumer purchase to maximize his utility?
- Determine the person's income offer curve (IOC).
- Derive the Engel curve for X and Y, respectively.

8. (20%) A monopolist firm faces the following cost curve $C = Q^2 + 12$, where Q is the output produced. The demand for its product is given by $P = 24 - Q$.

- Find the equilibrium price and quantity.
- Find the profit level.
- Calculate the Consumer Surplus, the Producer Surplus and the Deadweight Loss associated to the monopoly.

9. (15%) Assume the production function for real GDP is $Y = 2K^{0.5}L^{0.5}$. The marginal product of labor (i.e., the demand curve for labor) is $W/P = K^{0.5}/L^{0.5}$. Assume K and L are fixed at $K = 100$ and $L = 100$.

- What are the long-run values for real GDP and real wage?
- If the minimum real wage is set at $W/P = 2$, what is the unemployment rate?
- What minimum real wage would achieve an unemployment rate equal to 36%?

10. (20%) Consider the following static classical economy: The representative household has preferences over consumption goods, Y^D , and labor, L^S , given by the utility function $U(Y^D, L^S) = \ln(Y^D) + \ln(1 - L^S)$. The representative firm owns a technology represented by the production function $Y^S = 2KL^D$. The level of capital, K, is fixed at $K = 2$, i.e., the firm only chooses how much labor, L^D , it will employ. Calculate the equilibrium values of W (nominal wage), L, and Y. (Normalize the equilibrium price level such that $P = 1$.)

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