

A. Key Terms and Concepts

Directions: Match an item in Column I with one of the descriptions below.

Column I

- _____ 1. point at which quantity demanded equals quantity supplied
- _____ 2. when quantity supplied is not equal to quantity demanded
- _____ 3. when quantity demanded is more than quantity supplied
- _____ 4. legal maximum that can be charged for a good
- _____ 5. government-set price floor on earnings
- _____ 6. when quantity supplied is greater than quantity demanded

Column II

- a. price ceiling
- b. minimum wage
- c. equilibrium
- d. price floor
- e. shortage
- f. rent control
- g. surplus
- h. disequilibrium

B. Main Ideas

Directions: Write the letter of the correct answer in the blank provided.

- _____ 7. When there is a shortage of a good, what happens to the price?
- a. It remains unchanged. c. A price ceiling is imposed.
- b. It increases. d. It decreases.
- _____ 8. What is the government's goal in buying excess crops or other agricultural products?
- a. to raise minimum wage c. to set legal price ceilings
- b. to keep prices from going down d. to lower prices
- _____ 9. What happens when a market is in disequilibrium and prices are flexible?
- a. Market forces push toward equilibrium.
- b. Sellers waste their resources.
- c. Excess demand is created.
- d. Unsold perishable goods are thrown out.
- _____ 10. Why does a government place price ceilings, such as rent control, on some "essential" goods?
- a. to prevent inflation during boom times
- b. to keep business people from making large profits
- c. to keep the goods from becoming too expensive
- d. to reduce demand for these goods