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Write your name on the cover of the test booklet and nowhere else. Enclose this sheet with the booklet. Failure to follow these directions will cost you 1 point. The test has 100 points (to be scaled up to 160 points) and is scheduled to take 50 minutes. Therefore, expect to spend 1 minute for every 2 points. For example, a 12-point question should take 6 minutes. I cannot give extra time because some students have a class after your class.

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1) (12 points) Explain EITHER why the AD curve slopes down OR why the LRAS curve is vertical..

2) (12 points) Answer EITHER Part A OR Part B.

A) Explain why saving is important for economic growth.

B) According to <u>https://www.globaltimes.cn/page/202101/1213106.shtml</u>, the Chinese GDP in 2020 was 101.6 trillion yuan. How should we convert that to US\$? Explain how that method works.

3) (12 points) Answer EITHER Part A OR Part B.

A) There is a bill before Congress which will allow India and South Africa (and probably one South American country) to have a one-time exemption on the COVID-19 vaccine patents. That would allow India to produce the three vaccines for distribution in Asia and South Africa to produce and distribute the vaccine for Africa. (Both countries already produce a lot of pharmaceuticals.) From a purely economic reason, do you think this is a good idea or not? Explain your logic.

B) Your textbook says that one of the keys to development is to "limit protectionism." What does that mean? How does that help the economy? Explain your logic.

4) (14 points) Answer EITHER Part A OR Part B.

A) Suppose a person's consumption function is given as C = 100 + .8(Y-T). If their disposable income is \$50,000.00, then how much are their MPC, MPS, APC, and APS? Show all work. If there is no work, then briefly state how you got the answer.

B) When we calculated the government spending multiplier, what did we assume about tax revenue? If we relax that assumption, what happens to the size of the multiplier? Explain your logic.

5) (14 points) Answer EITHER Part A OR Part B.

A) What are the *expenditure method* and *value added method* of calculating GDP? Why should they give the same answer?

B) If you had calculated NI and wanted to calculate PI, what would you need to add and subtract? Explain why you would need to add and subtract them.

6) (16 points) Draw the Keynesian Cross, 45° diagram for the USA. Illustrate EITHER the effects of the event in Part A OR the events in Part B. Explain why the curve(s) moved as drawn. What happens to the level of GDP in the USA?

A) The Canadian economy improves.

B) The MPS decreases.

7) (20 points) Draw the SRAS/LRAS/AD diagram. Illustrate EITHER the even in Part A OR the event in Part B. Explain why the curve(s) moved as drawn. What happens to real GDP, inflation, and the unemployment rate?

A) The government increases taxes.

B) The population increases.