

AP Macro/AP Micro Unit 1 Practice Sheet

Part 1- Production Possibilities - Assume that the table below shows the economy of Cliffordland.

	Α	В	С	D	E
Capital Goods	0	2	4	6	8
Consumer Goods	30	28	25	15	0

- 1. Calculate the opportunity cost of switching from combination A to producing B. 2 Consumer goods
- 2. Calculate the opportunity cost of switching from combination B to producing D. 13 Consumer goods
- 3. Calculate the opportunity cost of switching from combination B to producing A. 2 Capital goods
- 4. Calculate the opportunity cost of switching from combination D to producing B. 4 Capital goods
- 5. Is this an example of increasing opportunity cost or constant opportunity cost? Explain. This is an example of increasing opportunity cost. The first 2 capital goods cost 2 consumer goods while the last two capital goods cost 15 consumer goods. This production possibilities curve is bowed out.
- 6. Assume the economy of Cliffordland intentionally decides to produce combination D rather than combination B. What is the long-term trade-off of this decision? Explain. Choosing to produce more capital goods and less consumer goods will provide more long run growth in the future.

Part 2- FRQ Practice- Complete the following question from the 2019 AP exam (Set 2, Question 3).

3. Sweden and Norway use equal quantities of resources to produce food and capital goods. The table below shows the maximum possible production of food OR capital goods for each country.

Country	Food	Capital Goods
Sweden	50	100
Norway	30	120

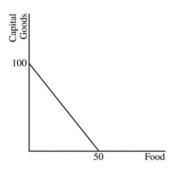
- (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the production possibilities curve for Sweden. Place food on the horizontal axis and capital goods on the vertical axis. Plot the relevant numerical values on the graph.
- (b) On your graph in part (a), indicate the following.
 - (i) A point that represents an efficient level of production, labeled E
 - (ii) A point that represents an inefficient level of production, labeled I
 - (iii) A point that represents an unattainable level of production, labeled U
- (c) Assume Sweden moves from producing 20 units of food and 60 units of capital goods to producing 30 units of food and 40 units of capital goods. What will happen to economic growth in Sweden in the future?
- (d) Which country has the comparative advantage in the production of capital goods? Explain.
- (e) Based on the table above, identify a specific number of units of capital goods that could be traded for 10 units of food and be mutually beneficial.

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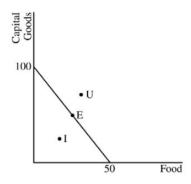
Question 3

5 points (1+1+1+1+1)



(a) 1 point

One point is earned for drawing a correctly labeled production possibilities curve (PPC) for Sweden
with food on the horizontal axis, capital goods on the vertical axis, and the relevant numerical values
plotted.



(b) 1 point

 One point is earned for showing point I inside the PPC, point E on the PPC, and point U outside the PPC.

(c) 1 point

· One point is earned for stating that Sweden's economic growth rate will slow or be reduced.

(d) 1 point

One point is earned for stating that Norway has a comparative advantage in the production of capital
goods and for explaining that it has the lowest opportunity cost in producing capital goods (the
opportunity cost of producing one unit of capital goods in Norway is 1/4 a unit of food and in Sweden
is 1/2 a unit of food).

(e) 1 point

One point is earned for stating a number between 20 and 40 units of capital.



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<u>Part 3- Comparative Advantage</u>- Answer the following questions to verify that you fully understand opportunity cost, absolute advantage, comparative advantage, and terms of trade.

	Units produced per hour		
	Beef	Peppers	
China	20	5	
France	8	4	

	Hours needed to produce one unit		
	Planes	Cars	
Mexico	12	6	
Bolivia	25	5	

- Is this an output problem or an input problem?
 Output, we're looking at the amount produced
- What is China's opportunity cost of producing 1 pepper? 4 Beef
- What is France's opportunity cost of producing 1 beef? 1/2 Pepper
- 4. What is China's opportunity cost of producing 1 beef? 1/4 Pepper
- 5. What is France's opportunity cost of producing 1 pepper? 1/2 Beef
- 6. Who has the absolute advantage in producing beef? China
- 7. Who has the absolute advantage in producing peppers? China
- 8. Who has the comparative advantage in producing beef? China
- 9. Who has the comparative advantage in producing peppers? France
- 10. What would acceptable terms of trade be between China and France? Possible terms of trade include 1 pepper for 3 beef

- 11. Is this an output problem or an input problem?

 Input, we're looking at the hours it takes
- 12. What is Mexico's opportunity cost of producing 1 plane? 2 Cars
- 13. What is Bolivia's opportunity cost of producing 1 car? 1/5 Plane
- 14. What is Mexico's opportunity cost of producing 1 car? 1/2 Plane
- 15. What is Bolivia's opportunity cost of producing 1 plane? 5 Cars
- 16. Who has the absolute advantage in producing cars? Bolivia
- 17. Who has the absolute advantage in producing planes? Mexico
- 18. Who has the comparative advantage in producing cars? Bolivia
- 19. Who has the comparative advantage in producing planes? Mexico
- 20. What would acceptable terms of trade be between Mexico and Bolivia? Possible terms of trade are 1 plane for 3 cars