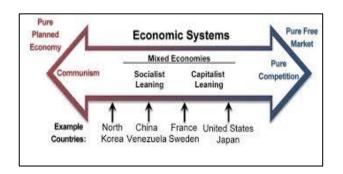
3.1 Explain how scarcity of economic resources results in individuals having to make choices; predict possible consequences of these choices

- 1. Define the term economics
- 2. Explain the term Economic Resources
- 3. Identify and outline the Factors of Production
- 4. Describe how business use the Factors of Production
- 5. Explain how scarcity, choice and opportunity impact on the Factors of Production
- 6. List the rewards for each factors of Production



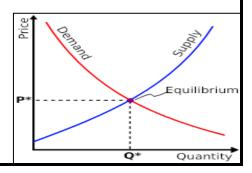
3.2 Explain how individuals, organisations (for profit and not-for-profit) and the government work together to distribute economic resources used to produce goods and services

- 1. Distinguish between different economic systems
- 2. Identify the benefits and drawbacks with these systems
- 3. Distinguish between the public sector, private sector and Third Sector
- 4. Describe the Circular flow of Income



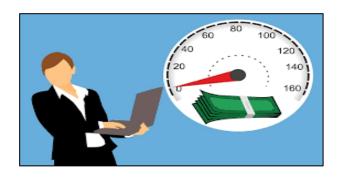
3.3 Evaluate how changes in the supply and demand of goods and services in different markets can affect prices

- 1. Explain what a market is
- 2. Define the term Demand
- 3. Describe the relationship between demand and the price
- 4. List the factors other than price that can affect the level of demand
- 5. Distinguish between normal and inferior goods
- 6. Define the term Supply
- 7. Describe the relationship between Supply and the price
- 8. List the factors other than price that can affect the level of Supply
- 9. Distinguish between normal and inferior goods
- 10. Explain the concept of Market Equilibrium
- 11. Outline how the interaction of supply and demand has on the equilibrium position
- 12. Evaluate how the changes in supply and demand can affect price



3.4 Differentiate between different sources of government revenue and government expenditure

- 1. Explain the need for a national budget
- 2. Identify sources of Government revenue and expenditure
- 3. Explain the difference between a balance, surplus and deficit budget
- 4. Outline the impact of a budget decision on Irish society



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3.5 Examine the purpose of taxation from a financial, social, legal and ethical perspective

- 1. Define and explain the term taxation
- 2. Outline the principal of a fair tax system
- 3. Look at the purpose of taxation from a financial, social and ethical point of view



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3.6 Explain how economic growth can impact positively and negatively on society and the environment and justify the promotion of sustainable development

- 1. Identify the positive and negative effects of economic growth on society
- 2. Understand the need for sustainable development
- 3. Define the term business ethics
- 4. How can the business influence the impact of business on society and the environment



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3.7 Debate the implications of globalisation of trade, including the benefits and challenges of international trade

- 1. Understand what international trade is
- 2. Using example explain the difference between imports and exports
- 3. Outline the difference between visible and invisible trade
- 4. Explain why Ireland trade with other countries and the benefits
- 5. Differentiate between the balance of trade and balance of payments
- 6. Understand globalisation



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3.8 Discuss the economic and social benefits and challenges of Ireland's membership of the EU

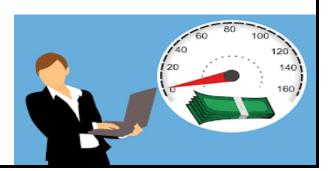
- 1. Define the term European Union
- 2. Explain the aims of the EU
- 3. Define the concept shared sovereignty and its significance
- 4. List the main decision maker of the EU
- 5. Explain the role of the members of Parliament (MEP)
- 6. Outline the term Single European Market (SEM)
- 7. Understand the economic and social benefits of Ireland membership of the EU
- 8. Describe the challenges with being a member of the EU



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3.9 Explain the relevance of economic indicators such as inflation, employment rates, interest rates, economic growth, national income and national debt for individuals and the economy

- 1. Identify and outline each of the economy indicators
- 2. Explain the effect of each of the indicators on the household business and the economy
- 3. Calculate inflation
- 4. Calculate the rate of economic growth



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3.10 Use their knowledge, and information from a range of media sources, to discuss current economic issues and present an informed view

Learning Intentions

1. keep up to date with business issues



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3.11 Evaluate the benefits and costs of a government economic policy and assess who enjoys the benefits and who bears the costs

- 1. Understand the aims of Government policy
- 2. Describe the different types of Government policy
- 3. Evaluate the costs and benefits of a government policy

