

Grades 3 to 5

Fundamentals of Economics

B Identify the three basic questions that all economic systems attempt to answer: 6.1.3-5.B

- 1 What goods and services should be produced? 6.1.3-5.B.1
- 2 How will goods and services be produced? 6.1.3-5.B.2
- 3 Who will consume goods and services? 6.1.3-5.B.3

C Define scarcity and how it impacts personal, household, and community decision-making. 6.1.3-5.C

F Explain the costs and benefits of an economic decision. 6.1.3-5.F

G Define opportunity cost and describe the opportunity cost of a personal choice. 6.1.3-5.G

H Explain how negative and positive incentives affect choices. 6.1.3-5.H

I Define specialization and identify examples of interdependence. 6.1.3-5.I

J Explain why countries trade. 6.1.3-5.J

K Identify and define imports, exports, and international trade. 6.1.3-5.K

M Explain why some products are produced locally while others are not. 6.1.3-5.M

Microeconomics

A Describe how consumers purchase goods and services from producers. 6.2.3-5.A

B Identify ways local businesses compete for customers. 6.2.3-5.B

C Define and provide an example of a monopoly. 6.2.3-5.C

D Explain how markets bring together buyers and sellers. 6.2.3-5.D

E Explain how the location of resources and transportation have affected Pennsylvania economic patterns. 6.2.3-5.E

H Describe businesses that provide goods and businesses that provide services. 6.2.3-5.H

I Define profit and loss. 6.2.3-5.I

J Identify historical and contemporary entrepreneurs in Pennsylvania. 6.2.3-5.J

Macroeconomics

A Define unemployment and inflation. 6.3.3-5.A

E Explain how taxes affect the price of goods and services. 6.3.3-5.E

F Explain how the government pays for goods and services through taxes. 6.3.3-5.F

H Identify unintended consequences of market activities (e.g., pollution, noise, traffic). 6.3.3-5.H

I Distinguish between public and private goods and services. 6.3.3-5.I

Money and Economic Institutions

A Explain the advantages AND DISADVANTAGES of using money instead of bartering. 6.4.3-5.A

B Explain why most countries create their own form of money. 6.4.3-5.B

D Explain how banks bring savers and borrowers together. 6.4.3-5.D