

# AP<sup>®</sup> Macroeconomics 2011 Scoring Guidelines

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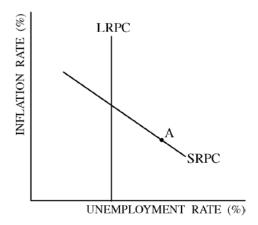
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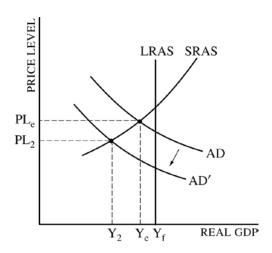
#### Question 1

### **11 Points** (2 + 2 + 1 + 4 + 2)



### (a) 2 points:

- One point is earned for a correctly labeled graph of the short-run Phillips curve (SRPC).
- One point is earned for showing a vertical long-run Phillips curve (LRPC) and the point A to the right of the LRPC on the SRPC.



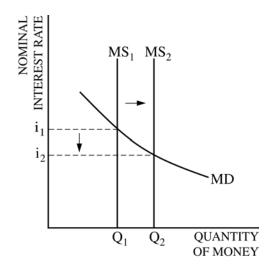
#### (b) 2 points:

- ullet One point is earned for a correctly labeled graph of AD/AS showing the equilibrium output,  $Y_e$ , and price level,  $PL_e$ .
- $\bullet \quad$  One point is earned for showing  $\boldsymbol{Y}_f$  to the right of  $\boldsymbol{Y}_e.$

### (c) 1 point:

• One point is earned for showing a leftward shift of the AD curve and indicating Y<sub>2</sub> and PL<sub>2</sub>.

### Question 1 (continued)



### (d) 4 points:

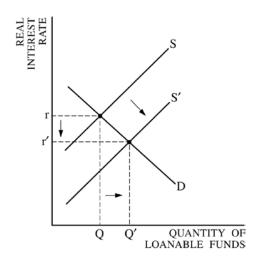
- One point is earned for stating that the Federal Reserve should buy bonds.
- One point is earned for a correctly labeled graph of the money market.
- One point is earned for showing a rightward shift of the money supply curve, resulting in a lower nominal interest rate.
- One point is earned for concluding that the price level will increase because the Federal Reserve action increases interest-sensitive spending (e.g., investment and consumption) and aggregate demand.

### (e) 2 points:

- One point is earned for stating that the short-run aggregate supply will increase because wages and other input prices will decrease.
- One point is earned for stating that the natural rate of unemployment remains unchanged.

### Question 2

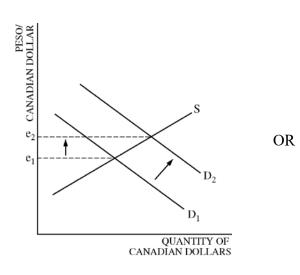
### **6 points** (3 + 3)

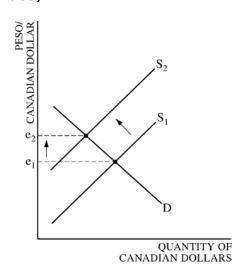


### (a) (i) 1 point:

- One point is earned for drawing a correctly labeled graph of the loanable funds market and showing a rightward shift of the supply curve and the change in the real interest rate.
- (ii) 2 points:
- One point is earned for stating that the decrease in the real interest rate caused interest-sensitive spending to increase.
- One point is earned for stating that the increase in aggregate demand increases output, which causes an increase in employment.

### Question 2 (continued)





### (b) (i) 2 points:

- One point is earned for a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for the Canadian dollar.
- One point is earned for showing a rightward shift of the demand curve and/or a leftward shift of the supply curve and for showing an appreciation of the Canadian dollar.

### (ii) 1 point:

 One point is earned for stating that Canadian exports to Mexico will decrease because the appreciation of the Canadian dollar makes Canadian products more expensive for Mexican consumers.

### Question 3

### **6 points** (1 + 2 + 1 + 1 + 1)

- (a) 1 point:
  - One point is earned for calculating the correct required reserve ratio of 0.2.
- (b) 2 points:
  - One point is earned for stating that the excess reserves will increase by \$5,000.
  - One point is earned for stating that the change in demand deposits is zero.
- (c) 1 point:
  - One point is earned for calculating the increase in the money supply:  $5 \times \$5,000 = \$25,000$ .
- (d) 1 point:
  - One point is earned for stating that the price of bonds will increase because the purchase of bonds increases the money supply, which decreases the interest rate.
- (e) 1 point:
  - One point is earned for stating that the cash deposit will not immediately change the money supply.