Chapter 2—The Environment of Organizations and Managers

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C. direct investment

D. exporting agreement E. importing agreement

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80. In 2007, the EU had countries. A. 17 B. 12 C. 25 D. 22 E. 27
81. Which of the following represents an economic community? A. North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) B. North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) C. United Nations (UN) D. International Monetary Fund (IMF) E. All of these.
82. Which of the following would you observe if you wanted to determine an organization's culture? A. The physical appearance of the organization's facilities B. The level of formality or informality in communication C. Employees' dress and demeanor D. The types of stories workers tell about their job experiences E. All of these.

 83. Which of the following is a true statement? A. Organization culture shapes the behavior of employees, and thus impacts organizational effectiveness. B. Organization culture is the same as the national culture of the organization's headquarters facility. C. Organization culture will be the same throughout an organization's subunits. D. Organization culture refers to the cultural and artistic charities that an organization supports. E. Organization culture is frequently and easily changed by most organizations.
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85. When Continental Airlines took employees outside the headquarters building in Houston to watch the firm's old policy manuals be set on fire by corporate managers, the company was trying to A. revitalize its culture. B. shock employees into changing their behavior. C. create more office storage space.

86. The external environment is composed of two layers: the ______ environment and the

88. A luxury apparel brand CEO was asked if consumers are not buying his brand, what are they burying.

Without hesitating he said, 'Apple's products.' In luxury markets, apparel and electronics can be

87. The United Auto Workers union is part of Ford's ______ environment.

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9. Standards of behavior that guide individual managers in their work are called
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2. A written statement of what values and ethical standards guide a firm's actions is known as its
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98. When a firm in one country allo other expertise, the arrangement is	ows a firm in another country to use its patents, technology, trademark, or called a(n) agreement.	
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100. Harter Equipment Inc., a retail States.	ler, Stihl chainsaws made in Germany to the United	
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108. Choose a firm with which you are familiar. Describe how the political-legal dimension of the general environment for that business is important for the success of the business.
109. Define the internal environment of an organization, and describe its four parts.

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71. Potential outcomes of licensing agreements are A. increased profits. B. prolonged profitability. C. inflexibility. D. franchising. E. Any or all of these.
72. The <i>maquiladoras</i> concept is a fairly recent approach to: A. strategic alliance. B. licensing agreement. C. direct investment. D. joint venture. E. None of these.

 73. General Electric has factories in Mexico near the U.S. border. The products are sold duty free in the NAFTA area. The factories are an example of A. licensing. B. a strategic alliance. C. exporting. D. importing. E. maquiladoras.
74. Burger King operates restaurants around the world on U. S. military bases. The agreement between Burger King and the Department of Defense is a(n) A. maquiladora. B. licensing agreement. C. exporting agreement. D. importing agreement. E. strategic alliance.
 75. France charges taxes on American fruits and vegetables that are sold in France. This is A. a joint venture. B. licensing. C. an export tariff. D. an import tariff. E. a strategic alliance.
76. The US Commerce Department has limited the amount of sugar that can be imported. This is an example of a(n) A. quota. B. strategic alliance. C. joint venture. D. franchise agreement. E. export restraint agreement.
77. Japanese steel producers voluntarily limit the amount of steel they export to the US. This is an example of a(n) A. maquiladora. B. joint venture. C. export restraint agreement. D. licensing agreement. E. strategic alliance.

 78. U.S. cola producers limit the number of beverages that they export to India each year. This is an example of A. a quota. B. direct investment. C. a strategic alliance. D. a licensing agreement. E. an export restraint agreement.
79. When the United States government requires that US military uniforms be produced in the United States, this is an example of A. a maquiladoras. B. a tariff. C. a joint venture. D. a strategic alliance. E. "buy national" legislation.
80. In 2007, the EU had countries. A. 17 B. 12 C. 25 D. 22 E. 27
81. Which of the following represents an economic community? A. North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) B. North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) C. United Nations (UN) D. International Monetary Fund (IMF) E. All of these.
82. Which of the following would you observe if you wanted to determine an organization's culture? A. The physical appearance of the organization's facilities B. The level of formality or informality in communication C. Employees' dress and demeanor D. The types of stories workers tell about their job experiences E. All of these.

3. Which of the following is a true statement? 1. Organization culture shapes the behavior of employees, and thus impacts organizational effectiveness. 2. Organization culture is the same as the national culture of the organization's headquarters facility. 2. Organization culture will be the same throughout an organization's subunits. 3. Organization culture refers to the cultural and artistic charities that an organization supports. 3. Organization culture is frequently and easily changed by most organizations.	
34. Managing organizational culture is likely to become more difficult when A. the firm has recently undergone a merger. 3. management has no clear idea of the desired culture. 3. the firm has recently suffered from poor performance. 4. All of these. 5. Only when "the firm has recently undergone a merger" and "management has no clear idea of the desired culture."	
35. When Continental Airlines took employees outside the headquarters building in Houston to watch the firm old policy manuals be set on fire by corporate managers, the company was trying to A. revitalize its culture. 3. shock employees into changing their behavior. 3. create more office storage space. 3. All of these. 4. "revitalize its culture" and "shock employees into changing their behavior."	ı's
86. The external environment is composed of two layers: the environment and the environment. general, task or ask, general	
37. The United Auto Workers union is part of Ford's environment. nternal	
88. A luxury apparel brand CEO was asked if consumers are not buying his brand, what are they burying. Without hesitating he said, 'Apple's products.' In luxury markets, apparel and electronics can be competitors	

89. Standards of behavior that guide individual managers in their work are called
managerial ethics
90. In general, ethical behavior is behavior that conforms to social norms
91. Some people think Cindy is harsh because she always tells the truth, even when it hurts someone's feelings. This is her ethics
92. A written statement of what values and ethical standards guide a firm's actions is known as its code of ethics
93 is an organization's set of social obligations to protect and enhance the social context in which it operates. Social responsibility
94. Official approaches to social responsibility include compliance, ethical compliance, and philanthropic giving. legal
95. When Home Depot's board of directors approved a \$210 million severance package for CEO Bob Nardelli's retirement, questions were raised about whether the board was fulfilling its responsibility of corporate governance
96. The formal organizational activity aimed at managing social responsibility with which Milton Friedman would disagree most is

97. Operation Fast and Furious, making marked guns available to Mexican gangs, was brought to the attention of the media by John Dodson. Dodson was a(n) whistle-blower
98. When a firm in one country allows a firm in another country to use its patents, technology, trademark, or other expertise, the arrangement is called a(n) agreement. licensing
99 is the level of international business which requires that profits be split between all participating firms. Joint venture or Strategic alliance
100. Harter Equipment Inc., a retailer, Stihl chainsaws made in Germany to the United States. imports
101. A Venezuelan oil producer operates Valero gas stations in the United States. This arrangement is called a(n) direct investment.
102. Between 2004 and 2007, many formerly communist-controlled countries joined the European Union .
103. Language is part of the environment that affects firms operating in the international environment. cultural
104 is important because it influences behavior when no one else is looking. Culture

	often is the starting point for an organization's culture.
<u>founder</u>	
106. Which environment should a	CEO monitor most closely? Why?
Answer not provided.	
107. If diversity is recognized as a	advantageous, then why aren't more boards of directors diverse?
Answer not provided.	
•	ou are familiar. Describe how the political-legal dimension of the general mportant for the success of the business.
Answer not provided.	
	ent of an organization, and describe its four parts.
Answer not provided.	
110. You will not be able to predict how can you prepare yourself to h	et from your job interview what your first ethical dilemma will look like. So andle the unknown situation?
Answer not provided.	
111. Define whistle-blowing and bemay encounter.	oriefly describe the problems that employees who elect to be whistle-blowers
Answer not provided.	
112. Describe what is meant by the similarities between these two con	e terms "licensing" and "strategic alliance." What are the differences and acepts?
Answer not provided.	

business?
Answer not provided.
114. What is organization culture? Discuss the importance, determinants, and management of organization culture.
Answer not provided.
115. What values make up the culture of your school? Give at least three specific examples. How did you learn about your school's culture, or how do you inform newcomers about the culture? Give at least three specific examples.
Answer not provided.
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113. Relations between Iran and the rest of the world show signs of decay. How could that effect international