Chapter 2

Managing the Global Economy since World War II: The Institutional Framework

Multiple-Choice

- 1) The 1944 Bretton Woods Conference resulted in the formation of the
 - a) UNCTAD
 - b) OECD
 - c) GATT
 - d) IBRD
 - e) all of the above

Answer: d; Page 17

- 2) States in the mercantilist period
 - a) increased their technology exports.
 - b) emphasized the free flow of finance.
 - c) helped establish territorial unification and state authority.
 - d) viewed free trade as serving their interests.

Answer: c; Pages 18-19

- 5) An example of a weighted voting institution is the
 - a) UNCTAD.
 - b) IMF.
 - c) WTO.
 - d) OECD.

Answer: b; Page 23

6) GATT

- a) set its headquarters up in Geneva.
- b) was comparable to the IMF and World Bank.
- c) was originally designed to be temporary.
- d) was formed at Bretton Woods.

Answer: c; Page 22

- 7) Hegemonic stability theorists argue that in the interwar period
 - a) the United States was not yet willing to be the global hegemon.
 - b) the United States was beginning to act as the global hegemon.
 - c) Britain's power was declining but it was still the global hegemon.
 - d) the United States was not yet able to be the global hegemon.

Answer: a; Page 21

- 8) Which of the following has been the most informal?
 - a) GATT
 - b) OECD
 - c) UNCTAD
 - d) IMF

Answer: a; Page 22

- 9) The functions of the World Bank evolved in response to
 - a) the creation of the European Recovery Program (Marshall Plan).
 - b) the competitive devaluation of currencies.
 - c) the increase in protectionism.
 - d) the shift to floating exchange rates.

Answer: a; Page 22

10) OPEC, the oil producers' cartel, was formed in what decade?

- a) 1950s
- b) 1960s
- c) 1970s
- d) 1980s

Answer: b; Page 23

- 11) Which of the following countries is *not* a member of the OECD?
 - a) China
 - b) Japan
 - c) Latvia
 - d) Canada

Answer: a; p. 27

- 12) The largest active informal group dealing with global economic issues is the
 - a) G77.
 - b) G8.
 - c) G20.
 - d) G7.

Answer: c; Page 30

- 13) The G20 has become more important today primarily because
- a) the breakup of the Soviet bloc has expanded the reach of the capitalist global economy.
 - b) the emerging economies now have more influence.
 - c) globalization has spread to more countries.
 - d) democratization has become a more important force in the world.

Answer: b; Page 30

- 14) Purchasing Power Parity adjusts the size of economies by what variable?
 - a) interest rates
 - b) prices
 - c) debt burden
 - d) per capita income

Answer: b; Page 32

- 15) The human development index is sometimes used today to measure development because it
 - a) is a better predictor of the future than the per capita GDP.
 - b) includes quality of life measures of social well being.
 - c) includes the purchasing power parity.
 - d) includes a measure of political as well as economic well-being.

Answer: b; Page 33

- 16) The World Economic Forum primary membership includes:
 - a) national governments
 - b) civil society organizations
 - c) global companies
 - d) representatives of global citizens

Answer: c; Page 39

True-False

1) The GATT was not formed at the Bretton Woods Conference

Answer: True; Page 17

2) Britain was the largest industrial power until the end of World War I when the United States took over that position.

Answer: False; Page 20

3) The KIEOs (the IMF, World Bank, and WTO) are all specialized agencies of the United Nations.

Answer: False; Pages 22-23

4) Most analysts can ascribe the nature of globalization to the ability of the KIEOs to control the flows of trade and finance.

Answer: False; Page 26

5) Purchasing power parity (PPP) based exchange rates do not take account of income inequalities.

Answer: True; Page 32

6) The G77 has become more important than the G7/G8 in dealing with problems affecting the global economy.

Answer: False; Pages 37-38

7) The UNCTAD primarily represents developed country (the North) interests.

Answer: False; Page 37

Fill in the Blank

1) In 1846 Britain repealed its ______, which opened its market to agricultural imports and ushered in a period of free trade.

Answer: Corn Laws; Page 19

2) In 1860 Britain and France signed the ______, which produced a network of trade agreements lowering tariffs throughout Europe.

Answer: Cobden-Chevalier Treaty; Page 19