AP Macroeconomics Scoring Guidelines

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## Question 1

9 points $(2+2+1+2+1+1)$

(a) 2 points:

- One point is earned for drawing a correctly labeled graph of a downward-sloping short-run Phillips curve (SRPC).
- One point is earned for showing a correctly labeled vertical long-run Phillips curve (LRPC) at the natural rate of unemployment, $5 \%$, and for showing point B on the SRPC to the right of LRPC at the actual unemployment rate, $7 \%$, and the inflation rate, $3 \%$.
(b) 2 points:
- One point is earned for stating that the short-run aggregate supply (SRAS) curve will shift to the right in the long run and for explaining that nominal wages will fall in response to high unemployment.
- One point is earned for stating that LRPC will remain unchanged.
(c) 1 point:
- One point is earned for stating that the government should either increase its expenditures (or purchases) or decrease taxes.


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## Question 1 (continued)


(d) 2 points:

- One point is earned for drawing a correctly labeled graph showing a downward-sloping AD curve, upward-sloping SRAS curve, the equilibrium price level, and the equilibrium real GDP.
- One point is earned for showing a rightward shift of the AD curve and for showing an increase in both the price level and real GDP.
(e) 1 point:
- One point is earned for stating that the supply of country X's currency will increase and for explaining that spending on imports will increase as a result of the increase in real GDP.
(f) 1 point:
- One point is earned for stating that country X's currency will depreciate.


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## Question 2

6 points $(2+2+1+1)$

(a) 2 points:

- One point is earned for drawing a correctly labeled graph of the money market.
- One point is earned for showing a leftward shift in the money demand curve, resulting in a lower nominal interest rate.
(b) 2 points:
- One point is earned for stating that the price of previously issued bonds will increase.
- One point is earned for stating that both the price level and real income will increase and for explaining that the lower interest rate will increase consumption, investment, and/or net exports (interest-sensitive spending), which increases aggregate demand.
(c) 1 point:
- One point is earned for stating that the velocity of money will increase.
(d) 1 point:
- One point is earned for stating that the central bank would sell bonds.


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## Question 3

5 points $(1+2+1+1)$

(a) 1 point:

- One point is earned for drawing a correctly labeled graph of the production possibilities curve (PPC) and for showing point X on the curve.

(b) 2 points:
- One point is earned for drawing a correctly labeled graph of the loanable funds market.
- One point is earned for showing a rightward shift of the supply curve and a decrease in the real interest rate.
(c) 1 point:
- One point is earned for showing point Z to the left of point X on the curve.
(d) 1 point:
- One point is earned for stating that the long-run aggregate supply (LRAS) curve will shift to the right and for explaining that capital accumulation will increase.

