Introduction to Economics:

Vocabulary Terms

Chuck Norris Joke of the Day:

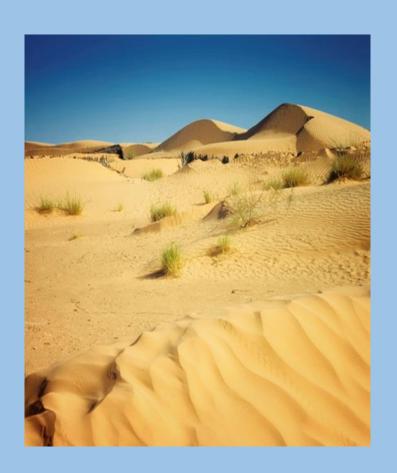
- Santa leaves out cookies for Chuck Norris.
- •When Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone, he had missed 3 calls from Chuck Norris.
- Chuck Norris has already been to Mars; that's why there are no signs of life.

Economics:

•Study of how people & societies choose to use limited resources to try to satisfy unlimited wants.

Scarcity:

- Humans possess unlimited wants while we have limited resources.
- The Earth has a _____ amount of resources.





Wants vs. Needs:

- Needs: things individuals must have to survive.
- Examples: Food/H2O, Shelter, Clothing, Education (inside U.S. only)











Wants vs. Needs

• <u>Wants</u>: things, either tangible or intangible, that people desire but are not necessary for survival.







Goods and Services:

• Goods: physical (tangible) objects that can satisfy people's wants









Goods & Services:

• Services: actions (intangible) that one person performs for another to satisfy wants.



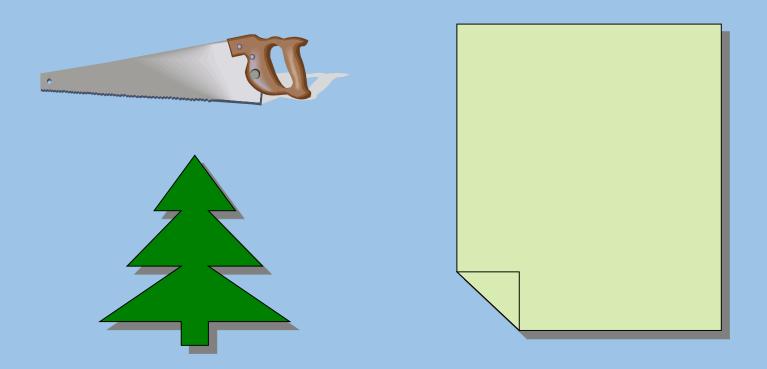






Factors of Production:

• Factors of production: the resources needed to produce goods and services.



• Land (Natural): anything found in nature







- Labor: Human Physical & Mental skills.
 - Example: auto worker that builds a car





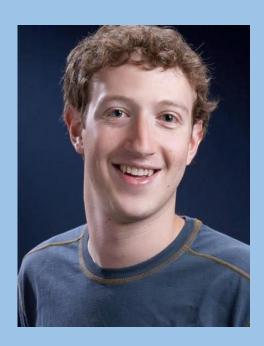


Capital (2 Types)

- Physical Capital: Goods used to produce other goods (i.e. machinery).
- **Human Capital**: involves accumulated training and education of workers (i.e. medical school).

• Entrepreneurship: The person who brings the factors of production together to produce a product.







 Technology: use of science to develop new products and methods for producing and distributing goods and services





Chuck Norris Joke(s) of the Day.

- I. Chuck Norris didn't have a mom and dad, he created himself.
- II. Edward and Jacob are team Chuck Norris.
- III. The Sun only rises when Chuck Norris wakes up.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How can you determine whether or not something is truly a need?
- 2. What are some of the choices competing for your income (\$)?
- 3. What is your most scarce resource? What competing uses do you have for that resource?
- 4. All of the factors of production are important and impact each other.
 Which factor seems most important to you and why?

Vocab. Terms

- Economics
- Scarcity
- Wants
- Needs
- Goods
- Services
- Factors of Production
- Land
- Labor
- Physical Capital
- Human Capital
- Entrepreneurship

- Technology
- Trade Off
- Opportunity Cost
- Guns or Butter
- Producer
- Consumer
- ProductionPossibility Curve
- Economics Model
- Shortage
- Microeconomics
- Macroecnomics

<u>Scarcity Reading + Assignment</u>

- Read the Scarcity Packet quietly. (15 minutes).
- You may want to have you notebook out to jot down new insights to the notes you took yesterday.
- You are accountable for this information on the test.
- Assignment
- On a piece of paper...
- Answer questions 1, 3, 5, and 8 (Chapter 1 Section 1)

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Scarcity 1.1 Questions

- A good yadda yadda yadda.
 While a service yadda yadda yadda.
- 3)
- 5)
- 8) a office building = ____b assembly line worker = ____

Sample Test Questions:

- 1. Which of the following is **NOT** a key economic question?
 - a) What goods and services should be produced?
 - b) How should the goods and services be produced?
 - c) Who consumes the goods and services?
 - d) How should it be ensured that goods and services are paid for?
- 2. What incentive <u>motivates</u> a manufacturer to sell a product?
 - a) Making profits on sales
 - b) Putting others out of business
 - c) Pleasing the consumer
 - d) Popularity of the Product
- 3. What is the <u>regulating</u> force of a market economy
 - a) Competition
 - b) Invisible Hand
 - c) Self-Interest
 - d) Specialization