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Academic Vocabulary

analyze apply compare/contrast

define describe discuss evaluate examine explain list

Content Vocabulary

Topic: Economic Fundamentals

- economics
- positive economics
- normative economics
- scarcity
- tradeoff
- cost-benefit analysis
- incentive
- short run/long run
- goods and services
- needs and wants
- 4 factors of production
- opportunity costs
- human capital
- utility

- economics systems
- traditional economy
- command economy
- market economy
- mixed economy
- law of demand and supply
- specialization
- division of labor
- voluntary exchange
- mass production
- economic interdependence
- comparative advantage
- trade barriers

Topic: How Markets Work

- law of demand
- substitute good
- complementary good
- law of supply
- elasticity
- demand curve/schedule
- supply curve/schedule
- subsidy
- market equilibrium
- equilibrium price
- price controls
- price floors

- price ceilings
- rationing
- black market
- surplus/shortage
- mixed economy
- monopoly
- perfect competition
- oligopoly
- market failure
- externality
- public good
- cartel

Topic: Building Wealth: Savings and Investing

- compound interest
- emergency fund
- interest rate
- money market

- Murphy's law
- bonds
- CD
- diversification

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- dividend
- investments
- · growth stock mutual fund
- liquidity
- mutual fund
- portfolio
- risk tolerance
- savings account
- single stock
- speculative
- track record

- 401(k)
- 403(b)
- 529
- IRA
- pre-paid tuition
- rollover
- Roth IRA
- timeframe
- pre/post tax investment
- financial discipline

Topic: *Credit and Debt*

- mortgage
- home equity
- appraisal
- foreclosure
- buyer's remorse
- same as cash
- depreciation
- ARM/fixed
- consumer loan
- lease

- impulse purchase
- debt snowball
- loan term
- principle/interest
- installment loan
- grace period
- financing
- annual fee
- opportunity costs

Topic: Risk Management, Insurance, Taxes

- deductible
- automobile claim
- personal liability
- umbrella policy
- replacement cost
- comprehensive
- collision
- uninsured motorist
- underinsured motorist
- claim
- insurance premium
- VIN
- long term care insurance
- renters insurance
- co-pay

- level term
- HSA
- mortgage insurance
- term insurance
- whole life insurance
- beneficiary
- tax withholding
- National Tax Day
- W-4
- W-2
- FICA
- payroll deduction
- Social Security
- Medicare
- Medicaid

Topic: Careers and the Global Economy

- global economy
- imports/exports

- trading partners
- free trade

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- protectionism
- tariffs/quotas
- embargo
- WTO
- exchange rates
- depreciation/appreciation
- balance of trade

- trade deficit
- IMF
- developing nation
- HDI
- extreme poverty
- sustainable development
- developed countries