

IGCSE CIE

Economics MCQ

Workers (QP)

1.May 2024-11/10

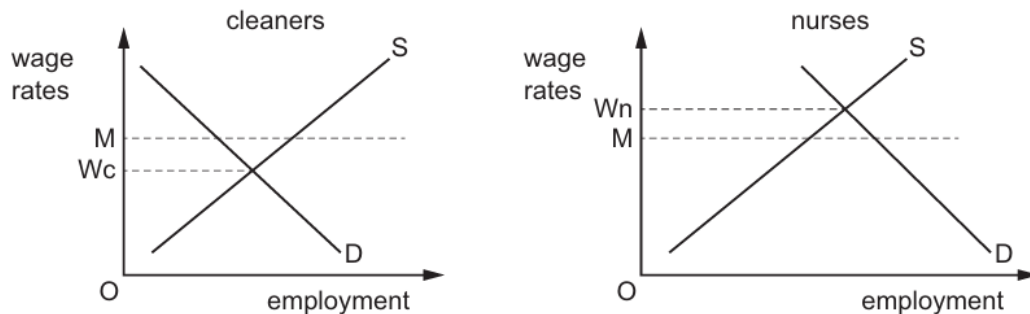
Within the same firm, one employee is paid a higher wage than another employee.

Which reason for the difference in their wage could be considered discrimination?

- A** They are of different ages.
- B** They have different levels of education.
- C** They have different levels of productivity.
- D** They have different levels of work experience.

2.May 2024-12/10

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3.Oct 2023-12/13

What is **not** a reason for differences in the earnings of airline pilots in a particular country?

- A** bargaining power of employees
- B** discrimination
- C** government policies
- D** inflation

4.March 2023-12/12

One of the functions of money is to act as a measure of value.

What does this mean?

- A** Money allows people to borrow and lend.
- B** Money allows people to save their surplus income.
- C** Money is used to buy goods and services.
- D** Money is used to compare the worth of different goods and services.

5.March 2023-12/13

What would be likely to happen within a country if its government granted more work permits to doctors coming from other countries?

- A** increased demand for doctors
- B** increased productivity of doctors
- C** increased salaries for doctors
- D** increased supply of doctors

6.Oct 2022-11/11

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9.May 2022-11/30

What is likely to cause an immediate decrease in the size of the labour force?

- A** a fall in the average size of families
- B** a fall in the birth rate
- C** a reduction in the age of retirement
- D** an increase in net immigration

10.May 2022-13/12

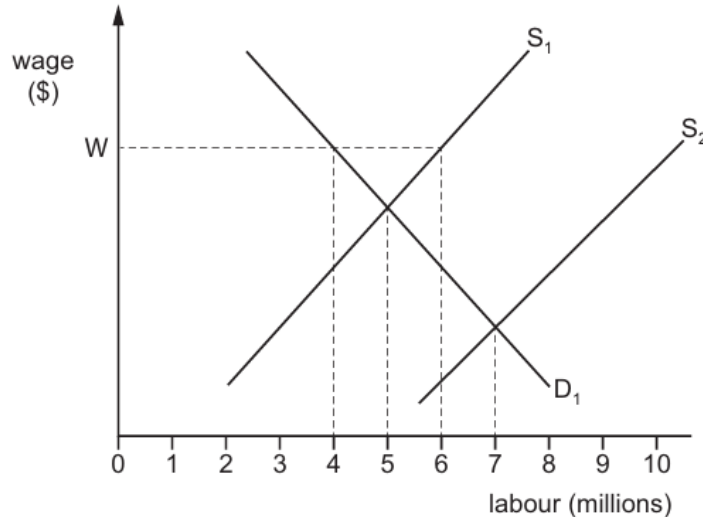
What might prevent an individual choosing a particular occupation?

- A** little opportunity for career progression
- B** low cost of travelling to work
- C** no risk to personal health
- D** wage rate above national minimum wage

11.March 2022-12/10

In the diagram, D_1 and S_1 represent the demand for and the supply of labour. W indicates a legal minimum wage.

An influx of immigrant labour causes the supply curve for labour to shift from S_1 to S_2 .



How many people will be employed if the minimum wage legislation is then abolished?

- A** 4 million **B** 5 million **C** 6 million **D** 7 million

12.Oct 2021-11/9

What will increase the demand for labour in an industry?

- A** a decrease in labour productivity in that industry
B a decrease in the demand for the good made in that industry
C an increase in labour productivity in that industry
D an increase in wages in that industry

13. Oct 2021-11/10

Which government policies will both reduce the difference in income between low-paid and high-paid workers?

- A** a decrease in the maximum wage and a more regressive income tax system
B a decrease in the maximum wage and a reduction in trade union power
C an increase in the minimum wage and a more progressive income tax system
D an increase in the minimum wage and a more regressive income tax system

14. Oct 2021-11/11

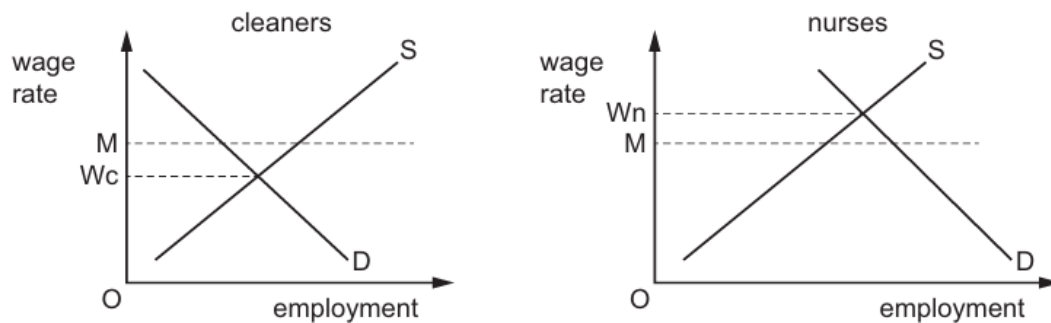
Wages for nurses decrease, while working hours for pilots decrease.

Assuming other factors do not change, what is the likely effect on the number of individuals choosing to become nurses or pilots?

	nurses	pilots
A	decrease	decrease
B	decrease	increase
C	increase	decrease
D	increase	increase

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16. Oct 2021-13/11

The market equilibrium wage rate is \$10 per hour.

What explains why the wage rate actually paid is \$12 per hour?

- A** Employers are competing for labour.
- B** The government sets a minimum wage of \$12 per hour.
- C** There is a surplus of skilled labour.
- D** Workers have received unpaid training.

17.May 2021-11/10

In low-income countries, fewer girls than boys become skilled design engineers.

What might explain this situation?

- A** Girls are only interested in low-wage jobs.
- B** Girls do not favour heavy manual work.
- C** Girls have fewer opportunities to complete higher education.
- D** It costs more for girls to be trained as design engineers.

18.May 2021-12/10

What would be a disadvantage of specialisation for a worker?

- A** a low price of the product that they make
- B** boredom due to repetition of the same task
- C** higher quality of the good
- D** the opportunity to undertake training

19.March 2021-12/10

What might cause a rise in wages?

- A** a more elastic supply of labour
- B** an increase in the size of the labour force
- C** improved fringe benefits for workers
- D** the introduction of a national minimum wage