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QUESTION 1 [15 marks]

Choose the correct answer from the following options. Encircle the correct letter of the answer.

- 1.1 Government is divided into three levels. Which one is not a level of government?
 - a) Parliament
 - b) National
 - c) Provincial
 - d) Local
- 1.2 The National Assembly has _____ members.
 - a) 100 150
 - b) 150 200
 - c) 250 300
 - d) 350 400
- 1.3 The current Minister of Finance is:
 - a) Jacob Zuma
 - b) Nhlanhla Nene
 - c) Pravin Gordan
 - d) Trever Manual
- 1.4 The _____ signs off the budget once it has been approved.
 - a) Parliament
 - b) Minister of Finance
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- 1.5 _____ is not an example of a zero rated item.
 - a) Lamb chops
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- 1.6 Which one of the following is not a government program launched to improve the standard of living for South Africans?
 - a) AsgiSA
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 - a) Natural resources
 - b) Labour
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QUESTION 2 [15 marks]

Match the definition in column B to the correct term in column A. Only write the letter in the answer column.

	COLUMN A		COLUMN B	ANSWER
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2.6	Excise duties	F	No VAT is levied because these are essential products.	2.6
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2.8	National budget	Н	Tax levied on goods and services at each stage in the production process. The consumer carries the tax burden.	2.8
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2.10	Skills development tax	J	Tax on goods that are harmful to the body, such as cigarettes and alcohol.	2.10
2.11	Tax avoidance	K	Tax on imported goods	2.11
2.12	Tax evasion	L	Tax paid by individuals who receive a salary.	2.12
2.13	Value Added Tax	M	Tax paid on the profit made on the sale of a second immovable assets/house.	2.13
2.14	VAT exempt items	N	The person/business failing to declare income or profits. This is illegal.	2.14
2.15	Zero rated items	0	When tax is levied directly on the person and the responsibility to pay the tax cannot be transferred to someone else.	2.15

QUESTION 3 [15 marks]

Com	plete the following sentences by filling in the missing words.
3.1	has the responsibility to make policies and laws about rights and responsibilities of citizens and the delivery of government services.
3.2	The is elected by parliament and appoints a cabinet of ministers.
3.3	Municipalities are responsible for functions such as
3.4	refers to people who are willing and able to work, but cannot find jobs.
3.5	is defined as a continuous and considerable increase in prices in general.
3.6	The acronym CPI stands for
3.7	The basic economic problem faced by all consumers is that people have unlimited and, but resources are limited.
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3.9	is the amount of money the employee receives for the work that has been done.
	capital is used to purchase stock and to keep cash in the business to pay for everyday expenses.
3.11	supports the development of historically disadvantaged persons.
3.12	market is where financial assets are traded.
3.13	An coordinates and combines the other three factors of production in order to produce goods and services that can be sold at a profit.

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QUESTION 4 [10 marks]

State	e whether the following statements are true or false.	
4.1	An unskilled worker has no formal qualifications and has most likely not fir school.	nished
4.2	Capital is defined as only money invested in a business.	
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4.4	An intrapreneur has the qualities of an entrepreneur but does not own his business.	own
4.5	Employees are entitled to 30 days sick leave over a period of two years.	
4.6	Management refers to the manner in which a situation is handled.	
4.7	Leading as a component of management means the entrepreneur has to on the other three factors of production to meet the objectives.	combine
4.8	Autocratic leadership is where all employees take part in decision making planning in the business.	and
4 9	Laissez-faire leadership informs workers what must be done, but does not	tell them

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how they must achieve it.

QUESTION 5 [10 marks]

Answer the following questions.

Name five of the natural resources in South Africa.	
Why are natural resources important for the development of a country's economy	?
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Which one of the leadership styles do you think will be most effective? Give one	
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QUESTION 6 [35 marks]

Complete the following table:

	Sole Trader	Partnership	Close Corporation	Private Company	Public Company
Number of			Corporation	Company	Company
owners					
Name of					
owners					
Liability					
Profit sharing					
Type of					
taxation					
Advantage		Éc	oleBooks		
Disadvantage					

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False

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QUESTION 5 [10 marks]

Answer the following questions.

5.1 Name any five of the natural resources in South Africa.

Minerals

Forestry

Agriculture

Fishing

Water (5)

- 5.2 Why are natural resources important for the development of a country's economy?

 If it is sold to other countries it is an income into our economy. Extracting resources, and using resources in the production process leads to job creation and a stronger economy if finished goods are exported.

 (2)
- 5.3 Which one of the leadership styles do you think will be most effective? Give one advantage and one disadvantage of that leadership style.

Autocratic/democratic/ Laissez-faire

One advantage and one disadvantage (3)

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Profit sharing	Profit belongs to owner	Shared according to agreement	According to % interest held	Dividends	Dividends
Type of taxation	Taxed on owners personal capacity	Taxed on partners personal capacity	Company tax	Company tax	Company tax
Advantage		Éc	oleBooks		
Disadvantage					

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