

# ***What is Economics***

**(經濟學)?**





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**Economics** is the [social science](#) that analyzes the production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services. The term *economic* [Ancient Greek](#) *οικονομία* (*oikonomia*, "management of a household, administration") from *οἶκος* (*oikos*, "house") + *νόμος* (*nomos*, "custo "rules of the house(hold)".<sup>[1]</sup> [Political economy](#) was the earlier name for the subject, but economists in the late 19th century suggested "term for "economic science" that also avoided a narrow *political-interest* connotation and as similar in form to "[mathematics](#)", "[ethics](#)", a A focus of the subject is how [economic agents](#) behave or interact and how [economies](#) work. Consistent with this, a primary textbook dis [microeconomics](#) and [macroeconomics](#). [Microeconomics](#) examines the behavior of basic elements in the economy, including individual a households and firms or as buyers and sellers) and markets, and their interactions. [Macroeconomics](#) analyzes the entire economy and i including unemployment, inflation, economic growth, and monetary and fiscal policy.

Other broad distinctions include those between [positive economics](#) (describing "what is") and [normative economics](#) (advocating "what ou economic theory and [applied economics](#); between [rational](#) and [behavioral economics](#); and between [mainstream economics](#) (more "ortho the "rationality-individualism-equilibrium nexus") and [heterodox economics](#) (more "radical" and dealing with the "institutions-history-socia Economic analysis may be applied throughout society, as *in* [business](#), [finance](#), [health care](#), and government, but also *to* such diverse su education,<sup>[6]</sup> the family, law, politics, religion,<sup>[7]</sup> social institutions, war,<sup>[8]</sup> and science.<sup>[9]</sup> At the turn of the 21st century, the expanding t the social sciences has been described as [economic imperialism](#).<sup>[10]</sup> An increasing number of economists have called for increased em

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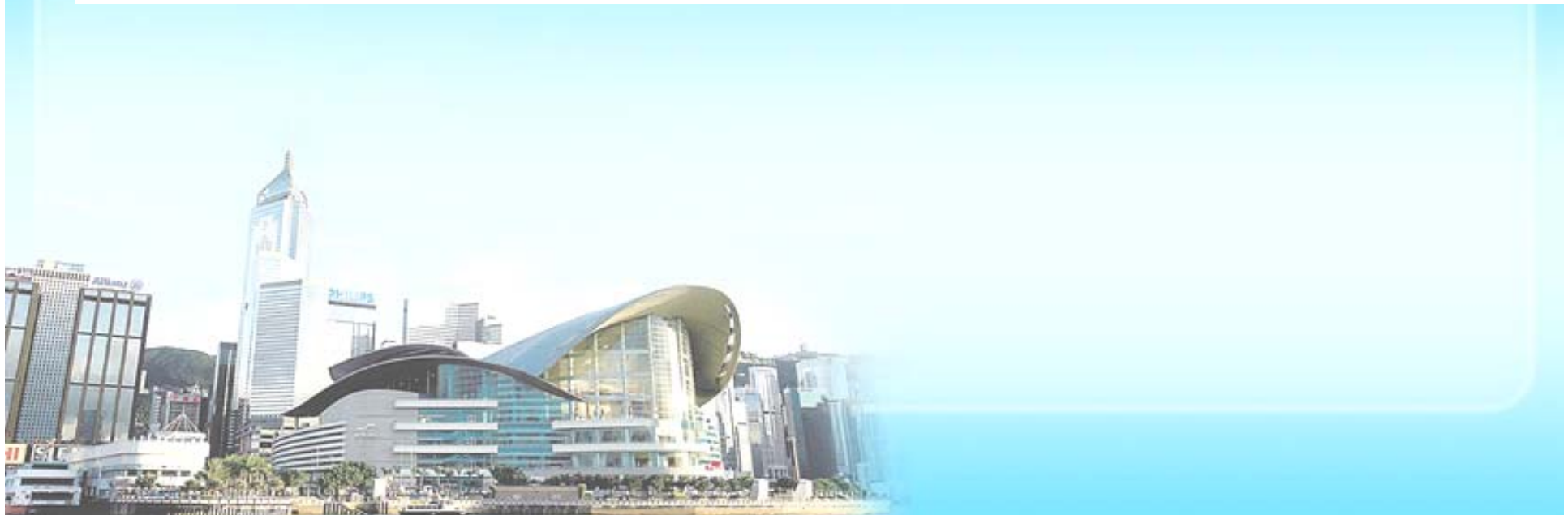
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***Are these things  
Economics?***



**Why do you need choose  
subjects in S4?**

**Why don't you study all the  
subjects?**



**Do we have enough time to  
study all the subjects in S4?**

**Time is limited!**

***Resources are limited!***



**Then how would you decide  
which subject to take?**

**Choose the one**

- you like the most,**
- you are the best at,**
- you think the easiest.....**

**Economics is**

**about finding the best  
choice under the condition  
that resources are limited.**



# Economics ...

- *can be found in our **daily life**.*
- *is **not only** about money or earning money.*
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A	Basic Economic Concepts
B	Firms and Production
C	Market and Price
D	Competition and Market Structure
E	Efficiency, Equity and the Role of Government
F	Measurement of Economic Performance
G	National Income Determination and Price Level
H	Money and Banking
I	Macroeconomic Problems and Policies
J	International Trade and Finance

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### **Elective Part**

<b>Elective Part 1</b>	Monopoly Pricing, Anti-competitive Behaviours and Competition Policy; <b>OR</b>
<b>Elective Part 2</b>	Extension of Trade Theory, Economic Growth and Development



## Textbooks to be used:

**1. Book 4A**

**2. Book 4B**

**3. Book 5A**

**4. Book 5B**

**5. Elective**



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are we looking for?***



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ECON  
PAPER 1

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**PRACTICE PAPER  
ECONOMICS PAPER 1**

(1 hour)

This paper must be answered in English

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Read carefully the instructions on the Answer Sheet. After the announcement of the start of the examination, you should first stick a barcode label and insert the information required in the spaces provided. No extra time will be given for sticking on the barcode label after the 'Time is up' announcement.
2. When told to open this book, you should check that all the questions are there. Look for the words 'END OF PAPER' after the last question.
3. All questions carry equal marks.
4. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. You are advised to use an HB pencil to mark all the answers on the Answer Sheet, so that wrong marks can be completely erased with a clean rubber. You must mark the answers clearly; otherwise you will lose marks if the answers cannot be captured.
5. You should mark only ONE answer for each question. If you mark more than one answer, you will receive NO MARKS for that question.
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end of the examination session





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**ECONOMICS PAPER 2**  
**Question-Answer Book**

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- (2) This paper consists of three sections, A, B and C. Answer ALL questions in sections A and B. Attempt any ONE question in section C.
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- (4) Supplementary answer sheets will be supplied on request. Write your candidate number, mark the question number box and stick a barcode label on each sheet, and fasten them with string **INSIDE** this book.
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**We are looking for *students* who...**

**① are ready to *take the challenge***

**→ *WILLING* to take the X-subject**

**② are ready to *use the mind.***

**→ *GOOD* at Maths & English!!**





***Are YOU one of them?***



***The End***

