

Text: Trade

Trade is the exchange of goods and services between people, businesses, regions, or countries. It is one of the most important activities in the world economy because it enables people to obtain products not available locally. Through trade, countries can specialize in producing certain goods and import others that they need.

Trade can be divided into two main categories: domestic trade and international trade. Domestic trade takes place within a country, while international trade occurs between different countries. International trade promotes cooperation among nations and contributes to economic growth. It enables countries to earn foreign currency and create employment opportunities for their citizens.

The Ministry of Trade is responsible for regulating commercial activities and ensuring fair competition among businesses. It also develops policies that encourage investment and protect consumers. In addition, trade organizations monitor commercial transactions and help resolve disputes between traders.

Modern trade has greatly benefited from advances in technology. The Internet has made it possible for businesses to buy and sell products online. Electronic commerce, commonly known as e-commerce, allows customers to compare prices, place orders, and make payments without leaving their homes. As a result, trade has become faster and more efficient.

However, trade also faces several challenges. High transportation costs, unfair competition, and fluctuations in market prices can affect commercial activities. Governments therefore work together to improve trade relations and remove barriers that limit the free movement of goods and services. Trade remains an essential factor in economic development. It contributes to wealth creation, improves living standards, and strengthens relations between nations. For this reason, countries continue to promote trade as a means of achieving sustainable economic growth.

I. Questions (20points)

A. Choose the best answer (2 pts)

1. Trade is:
 - a. The exchange of goods and services
 - b. A political organization
 - c. A cultural activity
 - d. A transportation system

2. International trade takes place:
 - a. Within a village
 - b. Within a country
 - c. Between different countries
 - d. Between families

B. True / False Questions (2 pts)

Copy down the true sentences and correct the false ones.

1. Trade allows countries to obtain products they cannot produce locally.
2. Domestic trade occurs between different countries.
3. E-commerce allows people to buy and sell products online.
4. Trade has no impact on economic development.

C. Answer the following questions based on the text (2pts)

1. What is trade?
2. What are the two main categories of trade?
3. What is the role of the Ministry of Trade?
4. How has technology improved trade?

I. Language (10 pts)

Match the words in column A with their meanings in column B.

A	B
Exchange	Spending money to gain future benefits
Consumer	Giving one thing and receiving another
Policy	Rules and actions of a government
Investment	A person who buys goods

B. Put the verbs in brackets into either the gerund or the Infinitive

1. I enjoy **(read)** books about international trade.
2. The manager decided **(open)** a new branch in the city.

3. They avoided **(pay)** high taxes by following the regulations.
4. She hopes **(become)** a successful businesswoman one day.

C. Your neighbor's children play music late at night. They disturb your sleep. (2points)

- What do you say to your neighbor?
- What may your neighbor say?

D. Translate into English

Le commerce est une activité économique importante dans tous les pays. Il permet l'échange de biens et de services entre les personnes, les entreprises et les nations. Grâce au commerce, les consommateurs peuvent acheter des produits variés à des prix compétitifs. Le commerce international favorise également la croissance économique, crée des emplois et renforce les relations entre les pays. Cependant, il peut être confronté à des défis tels que les coûts de transport élevés et la concurrence déloyale.

E. Translate into French

From Trade is the exchange of goods **to** certain goods and import others that they need.

II. Composition:

Choose the only one topic

1. Explain the importance of trade in the economic development of your country (8–10 lines).
2. Write a letter to the Director of Trade in your region asking for information about opportunities for young entrepreneurs.