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Chapter 3 Writing Assignment -

Read chapter 3 and answer the following questions:

1. Define the following terms:

a. Law of demand : the relationship between price and quantity. (book example: when gas prices rise the consumption of the gas decreases) demand is controlled by certain variables.

b. Law of supply: Supply is high when prices are high, supply is low when prices are low. If there's a high amount of something for example gas there's no need in finding more because of the amount you have. (high =better // lower =lower quality)

c. Ceteris paribus :relates to demand curve and supply curve and can only relate to 2 varices at time in which the price point of there two variables are only don't relate to economic factors and beside the pricing the variable are same, constand.

d. Complements: the promotion of one good can affect the other. (example. Buying super bowl tickets increase beer prices, an increase in new cereal can affect milk prices.)

e. Substitutes: can be the replacement of another good. (example. Textbook becoming ebooks or barcodes given to scan when a buy something in replacement of a receipt)

f. Price ceiling: This is how the government controls the max price something can be sold for.

g. Price floor: The control of the lowest price something can be sold for.

h. Normal good: much like supply and demand; as income is high so are the quality, as income is low so is the quality

i. Inferior good: opposite of normal goods as income rises demand for quality falls and as income decreases demand for quality increases.

j. Consumer surplus: Is what the consumer was willing to pay minus what they actually paid for the goods/serivce.

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2. If the price is above the equilibrium level, would you predict a surplus or a shortage? If the price is below the equilibrium level, would you predict a surplus or a shortage? Why?

If the price is above the equilibrium level there is a surplus in the market. This means there's more goods than there is demand for these goods so the market will be left with an over amount of goods. If the price point is below the equilibrium the opposite would be happening there will be a shortage of goods with an existing demand for those goods in which the producer instead of the consumer has the power.