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4.1.1. Suppose Frank can either hunt for birds (b) or forage for wild berr...

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Please choose only one answer:

- 3/2
- -3/2
- 2/3
- -2/3

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4.1.2. Suppose you are shopping at a farmers' market at 4:59 p.m. It close...

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Suppose you are shopping at a farmers' market at 4:59 p.m. It closes at 5 p.m. At the end of the day, the farmer will have to discard her lettuce. The price of the lettuce is \$3. You are willing to pay \$1.00 for the lettuce. What is the Pareto optimal price for the lettuce?

Please choose only one answer:

- \$0
- \$1
- \$2
- \$3

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Please choose only one answer:

- (0, 24)
- (3, 21)
- (9, 18)
- (12, 16)

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Please choose only one answer:

- 3/2
- -3/2
- 2/3
- -2/3

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Please choose only one answer:

- b/(2w)
- -b/(2w)
- (2b)/w
- 2bw

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Please choose only one answer:

- (3/4)w
- -(3/4)w
- (4/3)w
- -(4/3)w

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Please choose only one answer:

- 24
- 22
- 18
- 12

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Please choose only one answer:

- 18
- 16
- 14
- 12

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4.1.9. Suppose the government in a closed country imposes a lump sum tax o...

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Suppose the government in a closed country imposes a lump sum tax of \$1,000 on some people (sp) and redistributes the income to other people (op) in society. After the tax is levied and distributed, what is the deadweight loss to society?

Please choose only one answer:

- \$0
- +\$1,000\*sp
- -\$1,000\*op
- e answer cannot be determined by the information given.

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Suppose the government in a closed country imposes a tax of 25 percent on working people's wages (w) and redistributes the tax to nonworking people (n) in society as a lump sum distribution. This causes working people to reduce labor by 20 percent. After the tax is levied and distributed, what is the deadweight loss to society relative to a lump sum tax system?

Please choose only one answer:

- \$0
- 0.25w
- 0.20w
- 0.05w

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