

# 12 International Trade and Finance

Content Area: **Social Studies**  
Course(s): **AP Economics**  
Time Period: **Semester 2**  
Length: **2 weeks**  
Status: **Published**

## Standards

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Economics, Innovation, Technology: Global Economy

Global economic activities involve decisions based on national interests, the exchange of different units of exchange, decisions of public and private institutions, and the ability to distribute goods and services safely.

SOC.6.3.12.EconGE.1

Participate in a simulated meeting (e.g., President's Council, World Bank, International Monetary Fund (IMF), research evidence from multiple sources about an economic problem (e.g., inflation, unemployment, deficit), and develop a plan of action.

Evidence from multiple relevant historical sources and interpretations can be used to develop a reasoned argument about the past.

SOC.6.3.12.HistoryCA.12

Analyze a current foreign policy issue by considering current and historical perspectives, examining strategies, and presenting possible actions.

## Enduring Understandings

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1. Trade is generally good for an economy, although it might result in short-term dislocations that need to be addressed.
2. Governments often manipulate exchange rates to boost their economies.

## Essential Questions

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1. How do basic economic concepts help explain real-world outcomes?
2. What are the nature and functions of markets?
3. How do we accurately measure economic performance?
4. How do aggregate supply and aggregate demand result in national economic stability or instability?
5. What is the nature and function of the financial sector?
6. Why and how does trade between regions happen?
7. What roles and impacts do governments have on an economy?

## Knowledge and Skills

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Students will be able to.....

1. Explain why international trade occurs and **how different countries respond to each other**
2. Identify and illustrate capital flows and the balance of payments

3. Analyze how exchange rates are constructed and how they function
4. Discuss and debate the pros and cons of global trade

## Transfer Goals

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Students will be able to independently.....

1. Use economic concepts and approaches to affect their personal decision making and to help them make sense of the real world economy
2. Apply knowledge of exchange rate markets to decisions about travel or purchases abroad.

## Resources

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### Textbook:

Krugman's Economics for AP by [University Paul Krugman](#) (Adapter), [Robin Wells](#) (Adapter), [Professor Margaret Ray](#) (Author), [David Anderson](#) (Author).

### Supplemental Readings/Sources:

ACDC Worksheets and Powerpoints

Articles from the Economist

Economics By Example Readings

FRQs and Practice Multiple Choice Questions

Review Book: 5 Steps to a 5

Ultimate Review Guide

Amsco Review Book

Additional Resources from WH databases, and articles connected to the content, including primary readings, historiography, and secondary sources.

### Internet/Digital Sources:

ACDC Youtube Video Clips

Crashcourse Economics Video Clips

AP Classroom Resources

Albert IO

Khan Academy

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### **Assessments**

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1mKgdwpriGuRcVHIVCJUdBek7lih12Q0ckKSTC4TMUXs/edit>

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### **Modifications**

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