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Hello

I hope that your day is going as well as to be expected. I have attempted to complete these assignments and I believe something is missing. I would like for you to edit, response to the 2 discussions ,and make the necessary changes.

Thanks in advance

1. Deliverable Length:  200-400 words

Choose a developing country, and discuss its economic growth in the last 2–3 years. Discuss whether you believe the country is on a good course of economic growth and whether the macroeconomic policies are helping achieve this growth. Include the following information:

* Identify its growth in output per capita and in population growth.
* Is it an open or closed economy?
* The unemployment rate is an important economic indicator.  Please review this [video](https://www.sophia.org/tutorials/employment-reportunemployment-rate) and discuss how your chosen country’s unemployment rate compares to that of America.
* Identify its comparative advantage and whether it is involved in trade.
* Identify the country's type of economy: market, command, or mixed economy.
* Is the country's foreign exchange overvalued or undervalued? Has the central bank intervened in the foreign exchange market on behalf of the country's currency valuation?

I answered:

Identify its growth in output per capita and in population growth.

I feel that there is an enormous growth in output per capita and in population growth. We must stay attentive to the diverse products and the different people that this country has.

Is it an open or closed economy?

South Africa is an open economy that has a lot of different resources and products to offer. This allows to country to bring in revenue that could be useful to its citizens.

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I believe that the unemployment rate in South Africa compares to the United States of America because everyone is looking for work and due to the economy’s everyone is lacking job placement.

Identify its comparative advantage and whether it is involved in trade.

The United States of America has a slight advantage because we deal with so many different countries. We sell and trade different products and goods. I feel that we have more resources.

Identify the country's type of economy: market, command, or mixed economy.

I feel that South Africa has a mixed economy. This country is involved with different countries and they do trade with these countries. They produce certain products that are exported.

Is the country's foreign exchange overvalued or undervalued?

I feel that this country foreign exchange is undervalued because they have paved the way for so many different countries to make revenue. I see how they were helped by China to boost their sales in auto manufacturing.

Has the central bank intervened in the foreign exchange market on behalf of the country's currency valuation?

I feel that the central bank intervened in the foreign market in South Africa the best way they could with the current currency valuation. The economy is making the decisions now.

http://www.southafrica.info/business/economy/econoverview.htm

**2.** Deliverable Length:  800–1,000 words

The financial crisis of 2008 caused macroeconomists to rethink monetary and fiscal policies. Economists, financial experts, and government policy makers are victims of what former Fed chairman Alan Greenspan called a “once in a century credit tsunami”.

Since then, there have been various legislative and policy strategies considered and implemented to ‘fix’ the problems that allowed the crisis. The true question is whether we are headed down the same path, and if the ‘victims’ of the 2008 crisis have done anything to shift the tide. Review this [clip](http://www.clipsyndicate.com/video/playlist/10833/5564674?cpt=8&title=cengage_broadcast&wpid=6424), and review your own additional research, then share your thoughts on what caused the financial crisis and whether the United States is going in the right or wrong direction with its current policies. In explaining your position, be sure to include cited research that supports your consideration, recommendations for safeguards going forward, and what role, if any, government should play.

http://www.clipsyndicate.com/video/playlist/10833/5564674?cpt=8&title=cengage\_broadcast&wpid=6424

Your discussion should include reflections on both monetary and fiscal policies, clearly noting which caused/remedied the crisis. Make sure you include the following concepts in your analysis:

Interest rates80 *words*

The financial services industries (CDOs, CMOs, the stock market, credit flows, money markets, etc.) 80 *words*

Tax rebates80 *words*

Stimulus80 *words*

TARP80 *words*

Government debt and deficit80 *words*

Inflation80 *words*

Unemployment80 *words*

Immigration80 *words*

GDP 80 *words*

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I answered:

Interest rates80 *words*

I feel that the United States of America interest rates have increased in the last couple of years. I understand that the government is doing everything in their power to create more revenue that would help society in the near future. This will affect citizens but it the long run I believe it would be for the better good. I know this is one of the biggest ways that our country makes a profit and it really pains because it’s off the people.

The financial services industries (CDOs, CMOs, the stock market, credit flows, money markets, etc.) 80 *words*

We have to pay attention to all the different financial services and industries that the United States of America has to offer. First of all let’s talk about all the different forms like CDOs, CMO, The Stock Market, Credit Flows, Money Markets, etc. For example the stock market is so mixed right now with all the different products coming out and all the stocks that are ready in place. The way the economy is set up we are all looking at credit and the way it is flowing.

Tax rebates80 *words*

I feel that there should be a lot more tax rebates because the people in society are in a need for more help in a monetary fashion. I do not believe that once a year is enough for the average person to live off of. Today’s society a gallon of milk on average is about $3.00 that is ridiculous. I do the government expect a person to live like that. I believe that it should be at least two tax rebates per year.

Stimulus80 *words*

We have to look at what part of the stimulus we are talking about because right now I am thinking about the oil and natural gas. I could not believe that President Barack Obama invested eighty billion dollars into clean and renewable energy projects. I believe that this country has suffered enough and is not able to take another downfall in its economic development. How will we be able to reach our full potential when decisions like this are being made.

TARP80 *words*

I want to first start off by saying the funds that the United States government is putting too much revenue into the Trouble Asset Relief Program. The monies they are putting in the TARP program are funds they can directly use to fix the problem. I just wish I could have one year in office to show law makers different solutions that could help fix the countries problem. I feel that would make the Trouble Asset Relief Program a success and they wouldn’t have to spend so much.

Government debt and deficit80 *words*

The government debt is extremely high right now due to the economy. I can say that there has been an increase in jobs. The things that are most troubling to the people right now is the demand for revenue. I feel that the lack of jobs and certain resources. The government debt could be fixed if we had the right leadership to guide the United States of America back to its once full potential. I believe that it is very durable.

Inflation80 *words*

Inflation in this country varies one minute we could have a product at eight dollars on Tuesday and next week Wednesday the price has changed drastically to eleven dollars. We have to remember that this country has a way of changing without notice. It is hard on consumers to purchase when the price levels continuously changes. That is one of the main reasons of inflation. Then we have to consider unemployment and the effects that I has on the country now a days.

Unemployment80 words

I believe that the unemployment rate has increased due to lack of training and jobs. I believe that there are a lot of able bodied people that are willing to work. I believe that the United States of America should take resources such as the Trouble Asset Relief Program to solve the employment problem. This will help America in so many different ways. It would stop a lot of people from depending on government funding to live day to day life.

Immigration80 words

We all know that immigration has become a huge problem in the United States of America. We have people from so many different countries trying to enter the United States. I can understand why they would want to. This country has a lot of different resources that some of these third world countries do not offer. I know that currently we are going through a presidential campaign where one of the republican candidates is talking about immigration in bad way.

GDP 80 *words*

The Gross Domestic Product is the value of the goods or services that are made in the economy agriculture, energy, manufacturing and construction and the service part of the government. The GDP also looks at the goods and services purchased by American families and by government, the investments including the revenue of exports minus imports. Overall the value of the income could be generated and will show in profits and wages. I feel that is the best way to describe GDP.

<http://wallstreetpit.com/95607-what-caused-the-financial-crisis-of-2008/>

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 Respond to at least 2 of your fellow classmates with at least a 100-word reply about their Primary Task Response regarding items you found to be compelling and enlightening.

**3.** The Republic of Equatorial Guinea is an open economy due to its exporting of oil, gas and several other products. The Republic of Equatorial Guinea’s unemployment rate in 2009 was 22.3%, estimated. This is quite a high unemployment rate compared to the United States of America, which in 2015 was 5.2%, estimated. What this tells us is that the Republic of Equatorial Guinea’s economy is not doing as well as the United States of America’s economy. Identify its comparative advantage and whether it is involved in trade.

     The Republic of Equatorial Guinea's comparative advantage is the exporting of oil and gas. This exporting of oil and gas for the country doesn’t involve trade. The country’s economy may appear to be a market economy, but due to the political structure of the country it is more than likely a command economy. It’s titled as a constitutional democracy; however the president of the country has been in power for over 35 years leading me to believe it may be more of a dictatorship. That is why I believe the government has a control over the economic decisions, making it a command economy. Is the country's foreign exchange overvalued or undervalued? It is currently undervalued. Has the central bank intervened in the foreign exchange market on behalf of the country's currency valuation? The central bank has not intervened on behalf of the country’s currency valuation**. Reply 100 words**

**4.** The country that I chose is Turkmenistan. Turkmenistan source for its economic growth is attributed to its agriculture of wheat and it’s outside exporting of cotton. However, they rely heavily on exporting gas to China, Russia, and Iran. The country’s growth in output per capita went from $13,000(USD) in 2013 to $15,600(USD) in 2015 putting the GDP growth rate at 8.5%. The country’s population estimated growth rate is at about 1.14%, (CIA, n.d.).

Turkmenistan’s economy consists ofagriculture, industry, and various services because of its large exporting of cotton, natural gases, and its agriculture along with other industry goods and services. Over the last few years Turkmenistan unemployment rate is holding steady at around 10.5% to 11% as estimated in 2014 at the time ranking them 125 among the rest of the world. This doubles the United States of America rate which is at 5.2%.

     Turkmenistan comparative advantages are the exporting of oil and natural gas,

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| Turkmenistan actively develops its foreign economic relations with other countries as of today  they have established trade relations with 103 countries of the world.( Turkmenistan Country Report) |

 I believe the country use to be ran under a dictatorship because the previous President was President for life until his death in 2006. Although the government has a control over the economic decisions, making it a command economy they still have some of the same liberties and freedom as other countries. The economy is currently on the rise with annually increases salary, pension, public welfare payments and student grant by 10 percent ( Turkmenistan Country Report).

So far the central bank has not intervened on behalf of the country’s currency valuation.

My name is Shameaka Gardner . I am 38yrs old married for  3yrs and I also have a 9yr old son . I currently  work for the DOD at The Defense Information School in the IT dept.  I’ve been a gov’t employee for the last 7yrs and I have realized that I want to be more hands on in the IT field which is why I decided to go to school to pursue  a bachelor’s of science degree in Cyber Security with a concentration  in Information  assurance.  I have always had an interest  in computers but kind of gave up on it  even though my job title Is  Computer Support Tech  is really has nothing to do with computers. However last yr. I had  the pleasure  of working on the helpdesk during  a contractor work stoppage at my job so that’s what has really pushed me to finish up my degree. I am already Security+ certified  and plan on getting more  IT related certifications**. Reply 100 words**