Global Economy 101 Notes

Name: ______________________________

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I. Introduction to the Global Exchange

1. The three essential concepts for this Economics Project are ____________, ____________, and ____________ ______________.

II. What is GDP?

2. GDP stands for ____________ ____________________ ______________.
3. It is the total __________ ___________ of all finished goods and services produced within a country in ________ __________.
4. Think of GDP as an "___________ ____________ __________" or a giant _________ for everything a country "sold" in a year.
5. It tells us how _____ and ___________ an economy is.

III. The GDP Recipe

6. Economists calculate GDP by adding these four types of spending:
   - **C** = ___________ ______________ (People buying things)
   - **I** = _____________________ (Businesses growing)
   - **G** = ___________________ _______________ (Schools, Roads)
   - **X-M** = _______ ______________ (Sales minus Purchases)

IV. Scale & Size

7. A higher GDP usually means a country has more ___________, more _______, and more ____________ being created.
8. Example: Mexico's annual GDP is approximately **$1.8** __________, while Nigeria's is approximately **$360** ___________.

V. The National Bank

9. Every nation has a ____________ __________ that acts as the "____________" of the country's money.
10. The Central Bank has three main jobs:
    - __________ ___________: Decides how many bills and coins to make.
    - _______ _________: Decides interest rates for other banks.

- ___________: Tries to keep prices from rising too fast, which is called ___________.

VI. Currency & Value

11. ____________ is the specific type of money a country uses.
12. Examples of currencies:
    - Mexico: ______ ($)
    - Japan: _____ (¥)
    - United Kingdom: ___________ (£)

VII. Global Trade: Buying & Selling

13. **Exports** are goods your country _______ and ________ to others (Money comes ___!).
14. **Imports** are goods your country _______ from others (Money goes _____!).

VIII. Baseline: Mexico's Economy

15. Mexico is a top ____ world economy.
16. Its main exports are _____ and _________________.
17. Its top trading partner is the _________ __________, which accounts for ____**%** of its trade.

Questions I Still Have

Write down three questions you still have about the global economy or the concepts we covered today:

1.

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3.