

Bellringer Assessment (Answer Key)

1. The government is putting money in people's pockets during the downturn. What do they hope the people do with this money?

spend or consume

2. If consumers act accordingly with the new money in their pocket, how might this help the workers in Publix or anywhere else Charles, Ellen and Linda choose to spend the cash?

people can maintain their jobs and this would allow for more consumption

3. We've learned that Charles will pay less in taxes this year because his business income has been drastically reduced. What does the government hope Charles will do with the money he doesn't have to turn over to the government?

continuing to pay his employees and make-up for lost revenue

4. There will be a lot of people paying less taxes this year if they lose their jobs and cut back on consumption. But, the government will be sending out unemployment and welfare checks and help people to pay for groceries. Where will the government most likely find the funds to pay for these automatic stabilizers?

a. Sell off used tanks

b. A giant bake sale

c. Borrow the money

d. Cut funding to Social Security and Medicare