

**Question 1**

(a) Then

**The value of his endowment is 180.**(b)  $MRS = x_t/(2x_e) = 1.5/3 = 1/2$  implies  $x_e = x_t$ . The budget line equation is  $1.5x_e + 3x_t = 180$ . Thus, **$x_e = 40$  ,  $x_t = 40$  .****Question 2**  $MRS = 3x_2/x_1 = 1$ . Thus,**The equation of the income offer curve is  $x_2 = \frac{1}{3}x_1$ .**In addition,  $x_1^3 x_2 = 6,912$ . Thus,  $x_1^4 = 20,736$ .

The expenditure minimizing consumption is

 **$x_1 = 12$ ,  $x_2 = 4$ .****The person needs \$32.****Question 3**  $MRS = c_2/(0.9c_1) = 1.15$ . Thus, the income offer curve is  $c_2 = 1.035c_1$ . The budget line equation is  $1.15c_1 + c_2 = 2,000(1.15) + 19,550 = 21,850$ . Thus,  $2.185c_1 = 21,850$ . Therefore,**Joe's consumption is  $c_1 = 10,000$ ,  $c_2 = 10,350$ .****This year, Joe borrows \$8,000**

Suppose Joe's credit card has a credit limit of 1,000 Dollars, and he cannot get credit from any other source. Then

**Joe borrows \$1,000****Question 4**  $MRS = c/R = w$ . Before tax,  $c = 10R$ . The budget line equation is  $10R + c = 1,200 + 200 = 1,400$ . Thus,  $20R = 1,400$ , i.e.,  $R = 70$ .After tax,  $c = 8R$ . The budget line equation is  $8R + c = 960 + 200 = 1,160$ . Thus,  $16R = 1,160$ , i.e.,  $R = 72.5$ .The person's labor supply *before* the tax is introduced is **50**The person's labor supply *after* the tax is introduced is **47.5**

**Question 5**  $MRS = c/R = 14.4$ , i.e.,  $c = 14.4R$ . In addition,  $Rc = 25,000$  in order for utility to be at the after-tax level. Thus,  $14.4R^2 = 25,000$ , i.e.,

$$R = 41.667, c = 600$$

The value of this consumption at prices  $w = 14.4$  and 1 is  $\$ 1,200$

$w\bar{R} = 1,440$  when  $w = 14.4$ .

Thus, the loss to the person is 240

Total tax revenue is  $50(4.4)=220$ . The deadweight loss is therefore 20. Thus, the deadweight loss is 9.1% of the tax revenue.

**Question 6**

After tax utility is 20 .

In order to obtain the after-tax utility at before-tax prices ( $p_1 = 2, p_2 = 3$ ) the person's income would have to be  $m = 40$  .

Thus, the deadweight loss generated by the tax is 20 .

The government's tax revenue is 0 .

**Question 7** The expected utility from playing the lottery is 4.59710 .

The lotteries' certainty equivalent is 99.20 . Thus, playing the lottery is equivalent to losing 80 cents with certainty.