

Global Political Events: Red Sea Shipping, Trade Tariffs, & Energy Transition'

Geopolitics, Economy · Answer Key · 6 Questions

1. What geopolitical event has recently caused significant disruptions to global shipping routes, leading to increased transit times and costs for many goods?

- A) Panama Canal expansion
- B) Red Sea maritime attacks**
- C) Arctic shipping route opening
- D) Strait of Gibraltar blockade

2. The ongoing conflict in Ukraine has significantly impacted local economies globally through its effect on which key commodity prices?

- A) Coffee and tea
- B) Oil and natural gas**
- C) Diamonds and gold
- D) Textiles and clothing

3. Recent trade policies between the United States and China, including tariffs, have primarily led to what for many businesses and consumers in affected countries?

- A) Decreased production costs
- B) Lower consumer prices
- C) Increased import costs and supply chain re-evaluation**
- D) Simplified international trade agreements

4. Which of the following has been a significant global factor contributing to higher inflation in local economies, affecting the cost of everyday goods?

- A) Reduced global demand
- B) Stable energy prices
- C) Supply chain disruptions and higher commodity costs**
- D) Decreased labor wages

5. Governments worldwide are increasingly using industrial policy, such as tax credits and subsidies, to support which economic shift that impacts local job markets?

- A) Expansion of traditional fossil fuel industries
- B) Transition to clean energy technologies and manufacturing**
- C) Increased reliance on imported energy
- D) Reduction in infrastructure projects

6. Due to geopolitical tensions and disruptions, many companies are changing their supply chain strategies by doing what to reduce risks?

- A) Relying solely on single-source suppliers
- B) Increasing globalization of production
- C) Diversifying suppliers and exploring nearshoring**
- D) Avoiding digital tools in logistics