Econ3240 Online Practice Quiz Answer Key Spring2015

The underlined words/expressions are answers to the original fill-in-the-blank questions of the online practice quiz found <u>here</u>.

1. The official U.S. poverty rate was 22% in 1959 but fell rapidly to about 11% in the early 1970s only to rise to about 15% in the 1980s and then fall back to about 11% in 2000.

2. This group's poverty rate <u>working age adults aged 19-64</u> was about double times the national average in 1960 but fell steadily to under 8% by 2000 even as poverty among <u>children under 18</u> rose to almost double the national rate during the 1980s.

3. During the 1980s high unemployment raised the poverty rate for <u>children under 18</u> and <u>working age adults</u> aged 19-64 sharply.

4. During the 1960s and the 1990s the poverty rate for <u>working age adults aged 19-64</u> and <u>African and Hispanic Americans</u> fall rapidly because members of these group could find jobs

5. When their mother leaves welfare to go to work <u>elementary</u> school age children tend to do better but <u>middle-high</u> school age children do a bit worse in school

6. The Kennedy/Johnson's 1963/64 "War on Poverty" legislation relied mainly on: job oriented education & training

7. Of the fallowing transfer programs <u>cash transfers (welfare AFDC, etc.)</u> and <u>in-kind transfers</u> <u>such as housing, food stamps, Medicare</u> expanded rapidly after 1966 while <u>the EITC</u> grew rapidly during the 1990s.

9. Which policies/messages seem to help fragile two parent families stay together and/or reduce births to unmarried women (WRAB 16,17): the Elmira-Olds counseling Program, Minnesota's increased welfare benefits to working families, MTV's 16 and Pregnant.

10. The EITC effectively deals with the <u>work security</u>, <u>social isolation/stigma</u> and <u>geographic mobility</u> helping conundrums, but less effectively with the <u>family structure</u> conundrum.

When their mother leaves welfare to go to work ___school age children tend to do better but ___ school age children do a bit worse in school *

Fill in only the first blank. Source WRAB 8 elementary V

When their mother leaves welfare to go to work ___school age children tend to do better but ___ school age children do a bit worse in school *

Fill in only the second blank. Source WRAB 8 middle-high V

The Kennedy/Johnson's 1963/64 "War on Poverty" legislation relied mainly on: *

- cash transfers (welfare AFDC, etc.)
- in-kind transfers such as housing, food stamps, Medicare.
- O the EITC
- job oriented education & training

Of the fallowing transfer programs __ and __ expanded rapidly after 1966 while __ grew rapidly during the 1990s. *

Fill in only the first blank

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Of the fallowing transfer programs __ and __ expanded rapidly after 1966 while __ grew rapidly during the 1990s. *

Fill in only the second blank

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Which policies/messages seem to help fragile two parent families stay together and/or reduce births to unmarried women (WRAB 16,17) *

Family caps in New Jersey.

Abstinence education.

✓ the Elmira-Olds counseling Program

Minnesota's increased welfare benefits to working families

MTV's 16 and Pregnant.

The EITC effectively deals with the __, __ and __ helping conundrums, but less effectively __ conundrum. *

Fill in only the first blank work security

The EITC effectively deals with the __, __ and __ helping conundrums, but less effectively __ conundrum. *

Fill in only the second blank geographic mobility V

The EITC effectively deals with the __, __ and __ helping conundrums, but less effectively __ conundrum. *

Fill in only the third blank work security

The EITC effectively deals with the __, __ and __ helping conundrums, but less effectively __ conundrum. *

Fill in only the fourth blank family structure