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CHAPTER CHAPTER OUTLINE 16 **Financing Government** 

Directions: Fill in the outline below. Filling in the blanks will help you as you read and study Chapter 16.

#### Section 1: Taxes and Other Revenue I.

## A. Taxing Powers and Taxing Power Limits

- **1.** The power to tax is the main source of \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the federal government.
- 2. The taxing powers of Congress are limited by the

## **B. Current Federal Taxes and Nontax Revenue**

- 1. Individual and corporate \_\_\_\_\_\_ taxes are progressive taxes. Social insurance taxes are \_\_\_\_\_\_ taxes.
- 2. Other important sources of tax revenue are \_\_\_\_\_\_ taxes imposed on luxuries; the \_\_\_\_\_\_ tax on the assets of a
  - person who dies; and the \_\_\_\_\_ tax on a gift by a living person.
- 3. Customs duties are taxes levied on \_\_\_\_\_ brought into the United States from other countries.
- 4. Nearly \$50 billion a year is taken in by the federal government from \_\_\_\_\_\_ sources.

## II. Section 2: Borrowing and the Public Debt

## A. Federal Government Borrowing

- 1. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ gives the federal government the power to borrow money.
- \_\_\_\_\_ occurs when the government spends more money than it takes in.
- 3. A\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ occurs when the government takes in more money than it spends.

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# **B. Economic Theories**

1. The federal government may spend large amounts during times of high unemployment to create jobs and increase tax revenues.

This theory is called economics.

2. The federal government may cut taxes to strengthen private businesses. This is the theory of \_\_\_\_\_-

\_\_\_\_\_ economics.

# C. Borrowing and the Public Debt

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ must approve all borrowing by the federal government.
- 2. The \_\_\_\_\_ Department issues securities to investors in order to raise money for the federal government.
- 3. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ is all the money the federal government has borrowed over the years and not repaid, plus the interest on that money.

# III. Section 3: Spending and the Budget

# A. How Federal Money is Spent

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ programs such as Social Security and Medicare represent the largest share of federal spending.
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_ spending, to protect and defend the United States, also takes a large share of the federal budget.

# **B. Types of Spending**

- 1. Congress and the President can change \_\_\_\_\_ spending items in the budget, but they cannot change the
  - funding of \_\_\_\_\_\_ spending items.
- 2. The public \_\_\_\_\_\_ benefits,

and food \_\_\_\_\_\_ are examples of uncontrollable spending.

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# **C. The Federal Budget**

- 1. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ prepares the federal budget each year, and must then review it.
- 2. Congress must have the budget approved by the President by \_\_\_\_\_ of each year.

## **IV. Section 4: Fiscal and Monetary Policy**

# A. The Government's Economic Goals

The federal government tries to meet three economic goals: full

\_\_\_\_\_, stable \_\_\_\_\_, and economic

# **B. Fiscal and Monetary Policy**

**1.** Fiscal policy is the government's power to \_\_\_\_\_ and

\_\_\_\_\_ to influence the economy.

2. Monetary policy involves the \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ and the availability of credit.

**3.** The Federal Reserve can change the money supply through open market operations, the \_\_\_\_\_ requirement, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_.