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- 1. Compare and contrast the main economic systems around the world, stating the one that obtains in Swaziland.
- 2. **Discuss** the basic economic and quasi-economic goals of society and how the news media in Swaziland are covering them.
- 3. **Distinguish** monetary policy from fiscal policy and **comment on** their operation with regard to Swaziland.
- 4. **Analyse** the various types of *resources* and **examine** why they lie at the heart of economics.
- 5. **Define** and **relate** the following sets of concepts: *money* and *markets*; *production* and *merchandise*; *international trade* and GDP.
- 6. **Examine** the relative significance of the *polity* and the *economy* as social institutions, and the concern of journalism with the duo.