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Quiz: Welfare for the Rich

Directions: Select the answer that best completes the sentence.

- 1) The state of Nevada provided almost a billion dollars to fund a new football stadium. The public tends to support these new, expensive stadiums because _____.
 - A) everyone loves professional sports
 - B) sports teams can't afford to build their own stadiums as they have little money left after paying professional athletes
 - C) taxpayers are told that these stadiums will create many good-paying jobs
 - D) none of the above

- 2) Research shows that new stadiums _____.
 - A) are a net gain for the local economy, in part because they create thousands of new jobs
 - B) would not be built if the government didn't help pay for them
 - C) cost taxpayers far more money than the benefits they provide
 - D) are an efficient and appropriate use of taxpayer dollars

- 3) Wisconsin gave billions of dollars in tax breaks to Foxconn because it promised to create 13,000 jobs. Instead, Foxconn _____.
 - A) moved to Ohio to get an even better deal
 - B) created a few hundred jobs, at a cost of over a million dollars per job
 - C) demanded even more tax breaks to build their facility
 - D) turned down the tax breaks, saying it was unfair to other businesses in the state

- 4) Many farmers receive subsidies from the federal government. The government gives out billions of dollars each year because _____.
 - A) without them, fruit and vegetable producers would not be able to grow enough food for our growing population
 - B) farmers are poorer than the average American
 - C) subsidies to farmers are politically popular
 - D) farmers are heroes, and the Heroes Act helps American heroes be productive citizens

- 5) The main point of this video is that _____.
 - A) politicians do what's best for the country, even if others don't see it that way
 - B) taxpayer money shouldn't be spent to subsidize and provide tax credits to the wealthy
 - C) corporations do not pay their fair share in taxes
 - D) despite the disproportionate distribution of subsidies to wealthy people, subsidies are necessary for our economy

Welfare for the Rich – Answer Key:

1. C
2. C
3. B
4. C
5. B