# 《高中英语(上外版)》选择性必修第四册Unit 2 Learning about Trade

## and Economy

课时: 第4课时

课题: Listening and Viewing about Trade and Economy

课型: Listening and Viewing

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#### Worksheet

### Listening: Why do we need to study economics?

**Step 1:** Answer the question: When you plan to take a trip to a foreign country, will you choose a cheap flight with longer flight time of a more costly one with shorter flight time? <u>Possible answers:</u>

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Step 2: Listen and complete the table.

Economics is a study	• The initial concept learned in economics is scarcity.		
of how we deal with	• We have 1 <u>unlimited</u> wants and <u>resources</u> .		
scarcity.	• Economics makes us better 3		
	• An example of my wife choosing a flight among the three:		
	a Thursday night flight which was 5\$;		
Thinking like an	a Friday night which was 6\$;		
economist means	a Saturday morning flight which was 7\$		
seeing the 4	She worked in a restaurant from Monday through Friday, earning about 8\$a day.		
	Actually, the cheapest flight is 9		
	• Thinking like an economist has saved me 10 and 11		

**Step 3:** Interactive activity: Listen to the material again and work in groups and discuss: Why did the most expensive Saturday morning flight turn out to be the cheapest in fact? Suggest similar examples from your daily life.



#### While-task 2: Viewing: How the Economy Really Works?

Step 1:Read the short passage in the textbook and think about the ancient forms of money.

- 1. What was the earliest recorded form of money in history?
- 2. Why was it a good solution for small money?
- 3. Can you list other forms of ancient money?

**Step 2:** Interactive activity: Discuss with your group members and present your point of view: Do you agree that "Trade can make people better off"?

**Step 4:** Interactive activity: Watch the video again and describe how money, goods and services flow among individuals in a society.