Not All Taxes Are Created Equal

Worksheet

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- 1. Most taxes can be divided into three buckets: Taxes on what you ______, taxes on what you ______, and taxes on what you ______.
- 2. Taxes on the most mobile factors in the economy, such as capital, cause the (MOST | LEAST) distortions and have the (MOST | LEAST) negative impact. Taxes on factors that can't easily be moved, such as land, are the (MOST | LEAST) stable and (MOST | LEAST) distortive.
- 3. TRUE | FALSE: Payroll taxes are one of the most harmful ways to raise revenue.
- 4. TRUE | FALSE: Individual income taxes have a *negative effect* on the economy.
- 5. Gross receipts taxes (GRTs) are applied to ______, regardless of profitability and without deductions for business expenses.
- 6. "Tax pyramiding" is when:
- 7. What is the best federal tax policy change to produce economic growth?
- 8. Because of their ______, excise taxes distort production and consumption choices.
- 9. Property taxes are (MORE | LESS) distortive than capital and income taxes.
- 10. Which tax policy delivers the best "bang for your buck?"