

## Activity 1: Fiscal Policy Actions Ranking

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** The statements below refer to actions many governments enacted to help their countries during the Covid-19 pandemic using expansionary fiscal policy. Each action has an implicit goal behind it. Rank the statements below by placing a 1 next to the action you think is MOST important and a 10 next to the statement you think is LEAST important. Complete the list with numbers 2-9. After you complete your ranking, explain in a short paragraph the reasons or goals that lead you to rank the items as you did.

- Increasing or extending unemployment benefits \_\_\_\_\_
- Making direct payments to individuals (even if they have a job) \_\_\_\_\_
- Forgiving some government loans (business, student, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_
- Making direct payments to businesses \_\_\_\_\_
- Making loans to businesses that must be repaid with interest \_\_\_\_\_
- Increasing funding to research vaccines/treatments for Covid-19 \_\_\_\_\_
- Increasing funding to pay for medical equipment \_\_\_\_\_
- Allocating money for Covid-19 testing \_\_\_\_\_
- Increasing funding for federal food programs (including schools) \_\_\_\_\_
- Providing foreign aid to help other countries \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation: