

## Essay Competition Questions 2024

Candidates must answer **ONE** of the following questions:

1. Is British trade policy now independent of EU trade policy?
2. Would a UK Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) be a Pigouvian tax?
3. Would stockpiling steel be preferable to subsidising steel production and taxing steel imports?
4. A US House Select Committee Report<sup>i</sup> found that E-commerce giants TEMU and Shein were “exploiting de minimis thresholds” to evade customs and forced labour rules. What should be done?
5. Does Britain owe the Industrial Revolution to free trade?
6. Is trading a fundamental human right?

Answers should be no longer than 2000 words, with referencing and diagrams not counting towards that number.

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- i. <https://selectcommitteeontheccp.house.gov/media/press-releases/select-committee-releases-interim-findings-shein-temu-forced-labor>