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Key answers:

1- According to Modernization Theory, traditional societies must adopt Western cultural values and industrialization to achieve development. <u>True 2pts</u>

2- Dependency Theory argues that underdevelopment in poor countries is a result of their exploitation by wealthy nations through economic surplus extraction. <u>True 2pts</u>

3- The World Systems Theory posits that the global economy is structured into core, periphery, and semi-periphery countries, with resources flowing from the core to the periphery. <u>False</u> (Resources flow from periphery to core) **2PTS**

4- Post-Development Theory advocates for universal development models based on Western
economic practices. <u>False</u> (It critiques universal models and advocates for local alternatives) 2PTS

5- East Asian developmental states like South Korea and Taiwan achieved rapid growth through purely free-market policies without state intervention. <u>False</u> (They relied on strategic state intervention) **2PTS**

6- Amartya Sen's capabilities approach defines development as the expansion of people's freedoms to achieve well-being, not just economic growth. <u>True</u>_2PTS

7- A key critique of the "good governance" agenda promoted by the World Bank is that it often ignores how power imbalances and elite interests shape institutional reforms in developing countries.<u>True</u> – Critics argue governance reforms often overlook local power structures and political settlements. **2PTS**

8- The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) mark a significant departure from the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) because they explicitly address inequality *within* developed nations, not just between rich and poor countries. <u>True</u> The SDGs explicitly target domestic inequality (e.g., Goal 10), unlike the MDGs. **2PTS**

9- Singapore's developmental success is attributed primarily to its laissez-faire economic policies, with minimal state intervention in strategic industries or social welfare . <u>False</u> – Singapore combined state capitalism (e.g., sovereign wealth funds) with strict social controls. **2PTS**

10- Evans' concept of "embedded autonomy" suggests that developmental states succeed by completely isolating their bureaucracies from private sector influence to maintain policy purity. **False**"Embedded autonomy" requires *strategic* state-business collaboration, not isolation **2PTS**

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