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## The Commanding Symphony of Planned Economies: Key Characteristics Explored

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Advantage: Limited market competition can prevent excessive concentration of wealth and resources. Disadvantage: It may limit innovation and economic efficiency.
2. Central planning in a command economy might face challenges in rapidly changing industries where flexibility and adaptability are crucial, as well as in ensuring that resources are allocated efficiently.
3. The key characteristics of a planned economy contribute to social stability by addressing basic needs, reducing income inequality, and promoting equitable resource distribution, leading to a more just and stable society.
4. In a planned economy, the government plays a central role in economic planning, resource allocation, and the provision of social welfare programs. In market economies, the government's role is more limited, and market forces play a significant role in resource distribution.

