3.2: Market Competition and Surpluses - Practice Problems

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The supply and demand in the market for tomatoes are estimated to be:

$$q_D = 1000 - 200p$$
$$q_S = 200p - 200$$

- 1. Calculate the market-clearing price and quantity exchanged.
- 2. Find the inverse demand function and inverse supply function.
- 3. Sketch a graph of this market, labelling key points.
- 4. Calculate the price elasticity of demand and price elasticity of supply (in equilibrium).
- 5. Calculate the consumer surplus and producer surplus, and shade each on the graph.
- 6. Who gets greater surplus, consumers or producers, and why?