

Quarterly Examination 2018-2019
History & Civics

Class : VIII

Time : 2 hrs. + 15 Mins.

Full Marks : 80

Section A — all questions are compulsory. [35]

Section B — Part I - attempt any 2 questions. [18]

Part II - attempt any 3 questions. [27]

SECTION A

Q1. Answer these questions — [1x10=10]

- (a) On whose advice does the President Carry out his/her functions ? [1]
- (b) Name the three branches of the Government according to the constitution. [1]
- (c) Who appoints the Prime Minister of India ? [1]
- (d) What do you understand by Universal Adult Franchise ? [1]
- (e) What is Quorum ? [1]
- (f) When and why was the UNO established ? [1]
- (g) Mention any two objectives of the UNO. [1]
- (h) When did India sign the UN Charter ? Where are the headquarters of UNO located ? [1]
- (i) What do you understand by Veto ? [1]
- (j) Which organ of the UN is also known as Chief Administrative Organ ? Who heads it ? [1]

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Q2. Answer these questions — [2x10=10]

- (a) Mention any two features of the Modern Period. [2]
- (b) Who was Martin Luther ? Which movement did he start ? [2]
- (c) Mention any two evil practices of the Roman Catholic Church. [2]
- (d) What do you understand by Capitalism ? [2]
- (e) Name any four inventions which improved the life of the people in the 18th century England. [2]
- (f) What is domestic system of production ? [2]
- (g) What led to the drain of the royal treasury during the reign of Shahjahan ? [2]
- (h) How were the Mughal officers paid for their services? What do you understand by Crown Land ? [2]
- (i) What do you know about the Kohinoor Diamond and the Peacock Throne ? [2]
- (j) Name any two rival groups of nobles present in the Mughal Court. [2]

Q3. Improve your awareness. Answer these — [1x5=5]

- (a) Who constructed the first iron bridge over the River Severn in Britain ?
- (b) Who gave back the Kohinoor Diamond to Raja Ranjeet Singh ?
- (c) Which party / parties have formed the Government in Karnataka ?

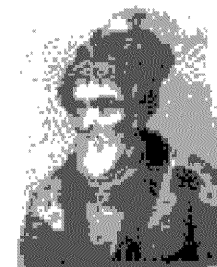
- (c) What effect did the Industrial Revolution have on (a) the living conditions of the workers (b) trade and commerce. [1½+1½]

Q9. The countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America were colonized and brought under the control of European powers. With reference to this, answer these —

- (a) What is meant by colonialism ? What did colonial expansion lead to ? [2+2]
- (b) What is meant by imperialism. [2]
- (c) Why did the British reverse their policy of expansion and followed the policy of territorial conquests? [3]

Q10. With reference to this picture, answer these :

- (a) Identify the Mughal Emperor. (1)
What was his role in the Revolt of 1857 ? (1)
What happened to the Mughal Empire after him ? (1)



- (b) Mention any three policies of Aurangzeb which shook the Mughal Empire. [3]
- (c) How did the court politics under him mine the authority of the Mughal Empire ? [3]

Q11. There were many causes responsible for the decline of Mughal Empire. With reference to this, answer these -

- (a) What was the economic impact of the Mughal wars of succession ? [3]
- (b) How was the Jagirdari Crisis responsible for the decline of the power of the Mughal emperor ? [3]
- (c) Explain the breakdown of the mansabdari system. [3]

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