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COMMON HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2022

Standard - VIII

Time : 2.30 hrs

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Marks: 100

Part - A

14×1=14.

I. Choose the correct answer:-

- 1) Who laid the foundation of portuguese power in India?
a) Vasco da Gama b) Bartholomew Diaz c) Alfons de Albuquerque d) Almeida
- 2) What was the mahal in the Mahalwari system?
a) House b) land c) Village d) Palace
- 3) Veera Pandiya Kattabomman was hanged at
a) Panchalamkurichi b) Sivagangai c) Tiruppathur d) Kayathar
- 4) The oldest Industry in India was _____
a) Textile b) Steel c) Electrical d) Fertilizers
- 5) Fort St. George was constructed by the British in
a) Bombay b) Cuddalore c) Madras d) Calcutta
- 6) The major components of soil is
a) Rocks b) Minerals c) Water d) All the above
- 7) The earth receives energy from _____
a) current b) Electro magnetic radiation c) waves d) heat
- 8) The percentage of fresh water on the earth is
a) 71 b) 97 c) 28 d) 0.6
- 9) The word tsunami is derived from
a) Hindi b) french c) Japanese d) German
- 10) The southernmost tip of Africa is _____
a) Cape Blanca b) Cape Agulhas c) Cape of Good hope d) Cape town
- 11) Where is the headquarters of the National Human Rights Commission.
a) New Delhi b) Mumbai c) Ahmedabad d) Kolkata
- 12) 'Setu Bharatam' a program was launched in
a) 2014 b) 2015 c) 2016 d) 2017
- 13) The preamble of the constution was amended in
a) 1951 b) 1976 c) 1974 d) 1967
- 14) Which is the Bank money?
a) Cheque b) Draft c) Credit and Debit cards d) All the above

Part - B

10×2=20

II. Answer any 10 in shortly:-

- 15) Mention the trading centres of the English in India.
- 16) Write a short note on Black Hole Tragedy.
- 17) What do you know about the Palayakarars? Name some of them.
- 18) Write a short note on Taxila.
- 19) Write about the drain theory.
- 20) Define 'rock'
- 21) What are 'Isolines'?

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- 22) Define "hydrological cycle"
- 23) List out any four most populous cities in the world.
- 24) Why Africa is called a "Mother Continent"?
- 25) Mention any three qualities of a good citizen.
- 26) What are Human Rights?
- 27) Write any four traffic rules.
- 28) What is the Barter system?
- 29) What is "Savings and investments"

Part - C

10×5=50

III. Answer any 10 in detailed:-

- 30) Fill in the blanks:
 - i) The commander in Chief of Sirajuddaulah was _____
 - ii) The Mahalwari system was a Brain Child of _____
 - iii) _____ was known by Tamils and Veeramangai and JhansiRani of South India.
 - iv) The New Education policy was revised in _____
 - v) Industrial revolution took place in _____
- 31) How did lord Wellesley Expand the British Power in India?
- 32) What were the causes for the Great revolt of 1857?
- 33) Describe the National Policy on Education.
- 34) Classify and Explain the Soil.
- 35) Discuss the problems of urbanisation.
- 36) Explain the Geographical factors which affect the location of Industries?
- 37) i) Distinguish between Weather and Climate
 ii) Distinguish between Hazards and disasters
 iii) Give reasons - Temperature decreases with increases in altitude.
- 38) Match the following:

i) Climate	-	flightless bird
ii) Snow and rain drops	-	Outdated drugs
iii) Hazardous waste	-	Private Sector
iv) Bajaji Auto	-	Sleet
v) Ostrich	-	Long term changes
- 39) Discuss the powers and functions of the Chief Minister.
- 40) What are the measures taken by the government to Protect the children?
- 41) Describes the steps taken by the Government of India to prevent Road accidents.
- 42) Write about the Evolution of Money.
- 43) What are the difference between Savings and Investment.

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IV.

Part - D

- 44) Mark the following places on the map of India:-

i) Calicut	ii) Calcutta	iii) Plassey	iv) Meerut	v) Kanpur
vi) Nalanda	vii) Cochin	viii) Jamshedpur		
- 45) On the outline map of the world, mark the following places.

i) Equator	ii) Indian Ocean	iii) Asia	iv) Tokyo	v) Pacific ocean
vi) Paris	vii) London	viii) Australia		

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