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COMMON HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2023

Std - IX

Time : 3.00 Hours

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Marks:100

14 x 1 = 14

I. Choose the correct answer:

1. The Sumerian system of writing
 - a) Pictographic
 - b) Hieroglyphic
 - c) Sonogram
 - d) Cuniform
 2. The account which throws light on Mauryan polity Society.
 - a) Marcopolo
 - b) Fahien
 - c) Megasthenes
 - d) Seleucus
 3. The found is of Han dynasty was
 - a) Wuti
 - b) Hung chao
 - c) Liu Pang
 - d) Mangukhan
 4. Assertion (A) : India was an integral part of Maritime trade, extending from China in the east to Africa in the west.
Reason (R) : Geographical location of India in the middle of Indian ocean.
 - a) A is correct, R explains about A
 - b) A is wrong , R is correct
 - c) A and R are wrong
 - d) A is correct R does not explain about A
 5. Which among the following plants were introduced from America to Europe?
 - a) Sugarcane
 - b) Sweet Potato
 - c) Rice
 - d) Wheat
 6. Karst topography is formed due to the action of
 - a) Glacier
 - b) Wind
 - c) Seawaves
 - d) Groundwater
 7. reflects radio waves.
 - a) Exosphere
 - b) Ionosphere
 - c) Mesosphere
 - d) Stratosphere
 8. Assertion (A) : Heterotrophs do not produce their own food.
Reason (R) : They depend on autotrophs for their nourishment.
 - a) Both A and R are true R explains A.
 - b) Both A and R are true R does not explain A.
 - c) A is true R is false
 - d) Both A and R are false
 9. Who accords recognition to various political parties as national or regional parties.
 - a) The President
 - b) The election commission
 - c) The parliament
 - d) The President in consultation with the election commission
 10. Apartheid was followed by
 - a) South Sudan
 - b) South Africa
 - c) Nigeria
 - d) Egypt
 11. The 73rd and 74th constitutional Amendment Acts was enacted during the year in
 - a) 1992
 - b) 1995
 - c) 1997
 - d) 1990
 12. Thermal plant emits large quantity of which pollutes the environment.
 - a) oxygen
 - b) Nitrogen
 - c) carbon
 - d) carbondi oxide
 13. Find the odd one.
 - a) Banking
 - b) Railways
 - c) Insurance
 - d) Small scale Industry
 14. Out of the following which is not a food crops.
 - a) Bajra
 - b) Ragi
 - c) Maize
 - d) Coconut
- II. Answer any 10 questions. Question No. 28 is compulsory: 10 x 2 = 20**
15. Write a note on the impact of pastoralism on the prehistoric people in Tamil Nadu.
 16. Overseas interactions brought glory to ancient Tamilagam. Give examples in suport.
 17. Write about Hinayana and Mahayana.

18. What do you know of the Carthaginian leader Hannibal?
 19. What were the factors which facilitated urbanisation?
 20. What is a volcano? Mention its components?
 21. Mention the factors that affected the climate?
 22. Define: Census.
 23. What are the components of a map.
 24. Give Abraham Lincoln's definition for democracy?
 25. What are the child rights defined by the UNO?
 26. Name the taxes levied by village Panchayat.
 27. What is meant by foreign exchange?
 28. Give two examples for each food crop and non food crops.

III. Answer any 10 questions. Question No. 42 is compulsory.

10 x 5 = 50

29. Fill in the blanks:
 i) The early form of writing of the Egyptians is known as
 ii) was the original name of Japan.
 iii) are called Heterotrophs.
 iv) was the first Prime Minister of independent India.
 v) Tamil Nadu receives rainfall from the monsoon.
30. a) Distinguish between : i) Crust & Core ii) Map & Globe
 b) Give Reason : Convectional rainfall is also called 4'o clock rainfall.
31. To what extent is the Chinese influence reflected in the fields of philosophy and literature.
32. Write about India's position during classical position.
33. Highlight the contribution of French philosophers to the Revolution of 1789.
34. Explain the effects of volcanoes.
35. How are the cyclones formed? How are they classified?
36. Explain the factors affecting the distribution of population.
37. What are the functions of political parties?
38. Describe the major problems and challenges faced by the local self government.
39. Compare the employment conditions prevailing in the organised and unorganised sector.
40. Explain how money is transacted in the digital world.
41. Draw timeline between 1450-1520 and write any 5 important incidents.
42. Mark the following in the given World map.
 1) River Nile 2) Sumerian civilization 3) China 4) India 5) Sea route of Columbus

IV. Answer all the questions:

2 x 8 = 16

43. "Chola period was an enterprising period in the history of Tamil Nadu" - Elucidate.

(OR)

Explain the major uses of GPS?

44. Mark the following in the given World map.
 1) Himalayas 2) Mt. Helens 3) Cold desert 4) Downs 5) Arctic ocean
 6) South America 7) Pacific ring of fire 8) Bengala current

(OR)

- 1) Japan 2) Australia 3) Mt. Alps 4) Hot desert 5) an active Volcano
 6) Prairies 7) Brazil current 8) Pacific Ocean