

MAYOOR SCHOOL, AJMER

Social Studies/VIII/Annual Examination/Monday/March 2, 2009

(Time Allowed: 3 hours)

VIII A,B&C-TRF

VIII A & B-IVE

VIII C-MSM

TRF, MSM-145

MM-100

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS-

1. Fifteen minutes reading time.
2. All questions are compulsory.
3. Marks for each question are indicated.
4. Attach the maps with your answer sheets.

HISTORY(40)

QI. Answer the following questions in one or two sentences-

- (1) Why did the British preserve official documents? (1)
- (2) Explain the system of subsidiary alliance? (1)
- (3) Why were the ryots reluctant to grow indigo? (1)
- (4) What is meant by de-urbanization? (1)
- (5) What is scroll painting? (1)
- (6) Give one reason why English language continues to be used in India after independence? (1)
- (7) Who did the Indian National Congress wish to speak for? (1)

QII Answer in 30-40 words ;

- (1) Name two problems that the newly independent nation of India faced? (3)
- (2) Why did Gandhiji choose to break the salt law? (3)
- (3) What problems did the Indian textile industry face in the early years of its development? (3)
- (4) Why did Mahatma Gandhi want to teach children handicrafts? (3)
- (5) Explain the "Doctrine of Lapse." (3)

QIII Answer in about 80 -100 words

- (1) How was the economic development of India visualized in the early decades after Independence? (4)
- (2) Show through a time line those developments that took place from 1935 to 1947 period that led to the creation of Pakistan? (4)
- (3) Why can we think of Raja Ravi Verma's paintings as national? (4)
- (4) Through a web demonstrate what were the causes of the Revolt of 1857? (4)

QIV On the outline map of India mark the major centres of weaving

- in the late 18th century (a) Punjab (b) Bengal (c) Gujrat (d) Pondicherry (2)

CIVICS(20)

- Q1 What would happen if there were no restriction on the power of elected representatives? (1)
- Q2 Give one reason why you think there should be universal adult franchise? (1)
- Q3 What is secularism? (1)
- Q4 Why do you think there are so few cases of private water supply in the world? (1)
- Q5 How do you think the Right to constitutional remedies connects to the idea of judicial review? (3)
- Q6 Explain at least three different reasons why groups may be marginalized? (3)
- Q7 List two Fundamental Rights in the Constitution that dalits can draw upon to insist that they be treated with dignity and as equals? (4)

- Q8 What do you think the famous cartoonist R.k. Laxman is trying to convey in the given cartoon?
How does it relate to the law that you read about.



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GEOGRAPHY(40)

Q.1 Fill in the blanks-

- Balancing the need to use resources and also conserve them for the future is called _____.
- On the basis of their distribution resources can be _____ or localized.
- Improving the quality of people's skill so that they are able to create more resources is known as _____ development.
- _____ means the exclusive rights over any idea or invention.
- _____ is cultivation of grapes.
- In AD 850, _____ an Arab goat herder discovered coffee.

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Q.2 Answer in 20-30 words-

- Define the term 'Disaster Management'.
- What is Landslide?
- Give any two Impacts of a Cyclone.
- What is 'Watershed'?

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Q.3 Answer in 60-80 words-

- Explain any three methods of soil conservation.
- Differentiate between a farm in India and a farm in USA.
- What is Population Composition? How population pyramids help in understanding about the population of a country?
- Construct a web diagram of flood preparedness method.
- Write any three safety measures taken on boarding the Aircraft and any three safety measures when you face an Air accident.

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Q.4 Answer in 80-100 words-

- Explain Geothermal energy with diagram. Also write its any four producers.
- Compare the conditions in Ahmedabad and Osaka in terms of growing cotton.
- Explain in detail any eight factors affecting the Population Growth.

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Q.5 Draw a neat and labelled diagram - **(any one)**

- Nuclear Energy
- Population Pyramid of Japan
- Hydel Power

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Q.6 On the given world map work-

- Maximum risk zone of Earthquake in India.
- Flood prone areas of India
- Any one area of High population in Africa.
- Arable land in Australia.

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