

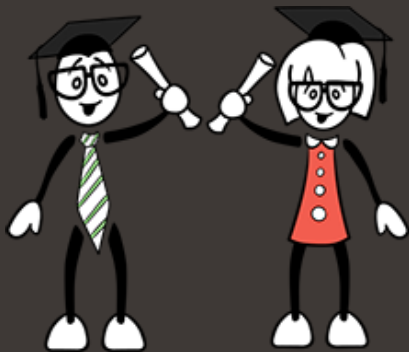


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## PRELIMS EXAMINATION

SUBJECT: HISTORY AND CIVICS

CLASS: X

TIME: 2 HRS.

MARKS: 80

Attempt all questions from Part I. A total of Five questions have to be attempted from Part II, Two questions from Section A and Three questions from Section B.

## Part I

## SECTION A-CIVICS

**Question 1** (10)

- a) How many sessions does the Parliament have throughout the year and when do they happen?
- b) What are Starred questions?
- c) What is meant by Adjournment Motion?
- d) On what grounds can the position of the Speaker of Lok Sabha be vacated?
- e) Explain the term Zero Hour. What is its significance?
- f) What is the term of the members of the Rajyasabha?
- g) When can the President declare an Emergency in a State.
- h) State any two oaths taken by the President upon entering the office.
- i) Why the Supreme Court is called "The Court of Records"?
- j) Name the highest civil and Criminal court in a district.

## SECTION B-HISTORY

**Question 2** (20)

- a) How did the introduction of western education influence the growing sense of nationalism in the country?
- b) Which reforms were introduced in the Indian administration due to the efforts of the Early Nationalist?
- c) Mention Lord Curzon's repressive policies which led to the rise of Assertive Nationalist.
- d) Which compromises were made by the Congress and Muslim League as per the Lucknow Pact?
- e) Who was popularly known as "The Frontier Gandhi"? What was his contribution to the Civil Disobedience movement?
- f) Who started the Khilafat movement? What was its programme?
- g) Name the military alliances established before the First World War. Who were their signatories?
- h) Which event in the course of World War I led to the entry of USA into the war?
- i) What is the composition of the International Court of Justice?
- j) State the objectives of the UNESCO.

PART II  
SECTION A-CIVICS

(Attempt any two questions from this section)

**Question 3**

The Parliament is the body of people's representative who have supreme power of governance in a democratic country-with reference to its answer the following:

- a. Why is the Lok Sabha considered to be more powerful than the Rajya Sabha? (3)
- b. State the judicial power exercised by the Parliament with reference to the Impeachment of the President. (3)
- a. Which functions are performed by the Speaker of the Lok Sabha while conducting the Business of the House? (4)

**Question 4**

The parliament of India calls for a Council of Ministers, which is headed by the Prime Minister-with reference to this answer the following:

- a. Which Financial powers are exercised by the Cabinet ministers in accordance with the Budget? (3)
- b. What does the principle of Collective Responsibility imply? (3)
- c. Prime Minister is called "The Leader of the Nation"-Justify. (4)

**Question 5**

The Supreme Court is at the apex of the Indian Judiciary with reference to this answer the Following:

- a. Why has India adopted a single judiciary? (3)
- b. Name and explain any three types of cases where the Supreme Court exercises Original Jurisdiction. (3)
- c. Describe how the independence of the judiciary is kept free from the control of the executive according to the following measures: (4)
  - i) Removal of Judges
  - ii) Prohibition of practice after retirement.

SECTION B-HISTORY

(Attempt any three questions from this section)

**Question 6**

With reference to the first War of Independence answer the following.

- a. How did the decline of landed aristocracy across as an economic cause of the uprising of 1357?
- b. Explain how the attitude of the Indian soldiers towards the Company change due to:
  - i) Ill-treatments of Indian soldiers
  - ii) General Service Enlistment Act
- c. Point is missing

**Question 7**

With reference to the Indian National Movement answer the following:

- a. What methods were utilized by the Early Nationalists to influence the British government (3)
- b. State the contribution of Lala Lajpatrai as an educationist. (3)
- c. The Swadeshi and Boycott movement gave encouragement to indigenous Industries-Justify (4)

**Question 8**

With reference to the Independence and Partition of India answer the following:

- a. State explain clause of the Cabinet Mission Plan pertaining to formation of a Constituent Assembly. (3)
- b. Mention the provisions of the Indian Independence Act regarding the provinces of Bengal, Punjab and North-West Frontier Province. (3)
- c. Which factors forced the Congress to accept the Mountbatten Plan? (4)

**Question 9**

The United Nations Organization was established after the Second World War in the year 1945-with reference to it answer the following:

- a. Which principles are to be followed by the members of the United Nations Organization? (3)
- b. What functions are performed by the Security Council for the maintenance of international peace and security? (3)
- c. State and explain the objectives of the United Nations Organization. (4)

**Question 10**

The following leaders were called as the founding fathers of movement established by them with reference to it answer the following:



- a. Identify the leaders and name their respective countries (3)
- b. What is the meaning of Non-Alignment? Explain any four of its features. (3)
- c. State the objectives of Non-Alignment Movement. (4)

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