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CLASS: 8 SAMPLE QUESTIONS

The Actual Question Paper Contains 50 Questions. The Duration of the Test Paper is 60 Minutes.

- 1. Birsa was born in a family of:
 - (A) Santhals
- (B) Mundas
- (C) Oraons
- (D) Bhils
- (E) None of these
- 2. In which of the following years the government amended the Child Labour Prevention Act, banning children under 14 years of age from working as domestic servants or as workers in dhabas, restaurants, tea shops etc?
 - (A) October 2006
- (B) June-July 2001
- (C) March 2003
- (D) December 2005
- (E) None of these
- 3. Which of the following is an example of agrobased industry?
 - (A) Cotton textile
 - (B) Petroleum
 - (C) Information technology
 - (D) Railway coaches
 - (E) None of these
- 4. A field left uncultivated for a while so that the soil recovers fertility is called:
 - (A) Fellow
- (B) Follow
- (C) Fallow
- (D) Fillow
- (E) None of these
- 5. Which of the following the government of India has to emphasise to ensure that every worker gets fair wages?
 - (A) Making of proper law.
 - (B) Regular inspection of work sites.
 - (C) Stringent punishment for violating the law.

- (D) Both (B) and (C)
- (E) None of these
- 6. Who issued a 'farman' granting the East India Company the right to trade duty free ?
 - (A) Murshid Quli Khan
 - (B) Aurangzeb
 - (C) Bahadur Shah Zafar
 - (D) Alivardi Khan
 - (E) None of these
- 7. Which of the following is true?
 - (A) India has a single judicial system for the entire country.
 - (B) The High Court of a State in India does not have any appellate jurisdiction.
 - (C) Police can keep a person in custody as long as they wish.
 - (D) The Supreme Court of India acts as the guardian of our fundamental rights.
 - (E) None of these
- The uneven distribution of population in different parts of the world is mainly due to:
 - (A) Rugged topography
 - (B) Varied characteristics of land
 - (C) Vulnerability to water sources
 - (D) Varied characteristics of climate
 - (E) Both (B) and (D)
- Victoria Terminus, the famous railway station in Mumbai, was built in:
 - (A) Gothic style
 - (B) Corinthian style
 - (C) Classical Greeko-Roman style
 - (D) Dorian style
 - (E) None of these

| 10. | Tipu | Sultan | was | killed | in: |
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- (A) The Third Battle of Panipat
- The Third Battle of Mysore
- The Battle of Seringapatam (C)
- The Battle of Buxar (D)
- (E) None of these

11. An average urban Indian uses about water every day.

- (A) 135 litres
- (B) 145 litres
- (C) 150 litres
- (D) 165 litres
- None of these (E)

Which of the following is the most appropriate reason to separate the State and religion in democratic societies?

- (A) So that the State cannot interfere into the religious practices of its citizens.
- (B) So that every religion gets an equal standing in the eye of law.
- (C) So that every festivals can be enjoyed by every one.
- (D) So that the tyranny of the majority and thereby the violation of Fundamental Rights may not occur.
- (E) None of these

- Which of the following is not a method of soil conservation?
 - (A) Contour barriers
- (B) Mulching
- (C) Contour ploughing (D) Intercropping
- None of these (E)

James Mill, a Scottish economist and political philosopher, divided Indian history into three periods, namely:

- (A) British, Muslim , Hindu
- Hindu. Muslim, British
- Muslim, British, Hindu
- (D) Muslim, Hindu, British
- (E) None of these

What do you understand by sustainable development?

- (A) Careful utilization of resources to meet the complete requirements of the present generation.
- (B) Careful conservation of resources for the future generations.
- Careful utilization of resources so that besides meeting the requirements of the present, it can take care of future generations as well.
- (D) All of these
- (E) None of these



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