

Standard : VIII

Time : 1½ Hours  
Total Score : 40

## Instructions

- First Fifteen minutes is given as cool off time.
- Read the questions and instructions carefully and write the answers.
- Answer the questions considering score and time.
- Attempt any one question from each section having choice.

**Choose the correct answer from the questions 1 to 4. Each carries 1 score. (4 x 1 = 4)**

1. Identify the correct pairs related to the revolt of 1857.
 

a. Lucknow	- Begum Hazrat Mahal
b. Delhi	- Bahadur Shah II
c. Ara in Bihar	- General Bakht Khan
d. Kanpur	- Nana Sahib

A) b, c, d      B) a, b, c      C) a, c, d      D) a, b, d
2. Identify the iron and steel company which marked the beginning of modern Iron and Steel industry in India.
 

A) Indian Iron and Steel Company	B) Mysore Iron and Steel Company
C) Tata Iron and Steel Company	D) Steel Authority of India
3. Which Constitutional Amendment reduced the voting age in India from 21 to 18 years?
 

A) 89th Constitutional Amendment	B) 61st Constitutional Amendment
C) 49th Constitutional Amendment	D) 72nd Constitutional Amendment
4. Arrange the items in column B appropriate to column A.
 

A	B
a) Vaikunta Swamikal	i. Atmavidya Sangham
b) Poikayil Yohannan	ii. Araya Samajam
c) Pandit K.P.Karuppan	iii. Samatva Samaj
d) Vagbhanananda	iv. Pratyaksha Raksha Daiva Sabha
	v. Yogakshema Sabha

A) a-ii, b-iii, c-i, d-v      B) a-iii, b-ii, c-iv, d-i      C) a-iii, b-iv, c-ii, d-i      D) a-iv, b-ii, c-i, d-iii

**Answer the questions from 5 to 7 in two or more sentences. Each carries 2 score. (3 x 2 = 6)**

5. (A) Mention the important provisions of the Minto-Morley reforms of 1909.

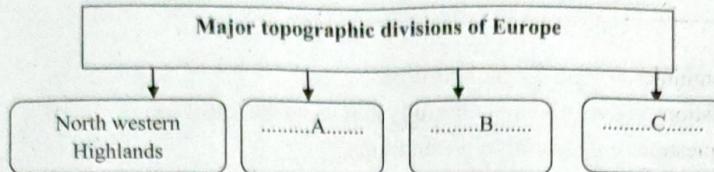
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(B) Elucidate the importance of annual conference of the Congress held in Lucknow in 1916.

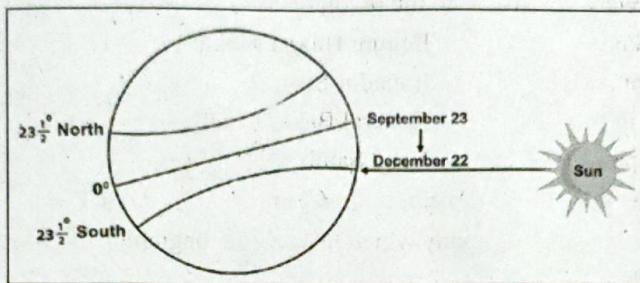
6. Which was the committee appointed by the Central Government in 1976 to submit recommendations on the fundamental duties of citizens. Elucidate its importance.
7. Who developed the concept of 'Creative Destruction'? Explain the concept.

**Answer the questions from 8 to 11 in three or more sentences. Each carries 3 score. (4x3=12)**

8. The Vaikom Satyagraha was a major struggle for the freedom of travelling that took place in Kerala when the national movement was gaining strength. Substantiate the statement.
9. Complete the chart showing topographic divisions of Europe.



10. What is sustainable development? Mention the ways to achieve sustainable development.
11. (A) Answer the following questions by analysing the picture.



- a. Name the latitudes between which the apparent position of the sun shifts from 23 September onwards.
- b. Explain Winter Solstice.

OR

(B) What is standard time? What is the need to calculate standard time in a country?

**Answer the questions 12 and 13 in four or more sentences. Each carries 4 score. (2x4 = 8)**

12. Traditional and modern social media have become an integral part of the lives of modern people. Evaluate the statement by comparing traditional and modern media based on the given hints
  - Communication
  - Integration
  - Form
13. (A) As a nation, India is different from the nation-states of Europe. Elucidate

OR

(B) Parliamentary system and Presidential system are the two models of democratic governance. Give an account of the features of these models.

**Answer the questions 14 and 15 in detail. Each carries 5 score. (2x5 = 10)**

14. (A) National Movement was more active in Malabar than in other parts of Kerala. Explain.  
OR
  - (B) In the modern view, justice means giving equal and due consideration to all individuals as human beings. Explain the three principles of justice based on the statement.
15. Even though the industries contribute to economic growth in India, it also led to many social and environmental problems. Based on the given hints critically evaluate the statement.
  - Resource Depletion
  - Regional inequality