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SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – TERM II, 2026–27

SOCIAL SCIENCE (English Medium)

SET 1

Standard: VIII **Time: 1½ Hours**

Total Score: 40

Instructions

- The 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 a choice.

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

1. Identify the correct pairs related to the Revolt of 1857. (1)

a. Jhansi – Rani Lakshmibai

b. Delhi – Bahadur Shah II

c. Lucknow – Nana Sahib

d. Bihar – Kunwar Singh

A) a, b, c B) a, b, d C) b, c, d D) a, c, d

2. Which Five-Year Plan gave importance to the development of heavy industries in India? (1)

A) First Plan B) Second Plan C) Third Plan D) Fifth Plan

3. The Fundamental Duties were added to the Indian Constitution by the (1)

A) 42nd Amendment B) 44th Amendment C) 61st Amendment D) 73rd Amendment

4. Match the reformers with the organisations they founded. (1)

A	B
a) Sree Narayana Guru	i. Sadhujana Paripalana Sangham
b) Ayyankali	ii. Sree Narayana Dharma Paripalana Yogam
c) Mannathu Padmanabhan	iii. Yogakshema Sabha
d) V. T. Bhattathiripad	iv. Nair Service Society

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

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

Answer questions 5 to 7 in two or more sentences. Each carries 2 scores. **(3 × 2 = 6)**

5 A. Why did the Indian National Congress oppose the Partition of Bengal in 1905? (2)

OR

5 B. What was the importance of the Lucknow session of the Congress held in 1916? (2)

6. Write two Fundamental Duties of an Indian citizen. (2)

7. What is meant by sustainable development? (2)

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Answer questions 8 to 11 in three or more sentences. Each carries 3 scores. **(4 × 3 = 12)**

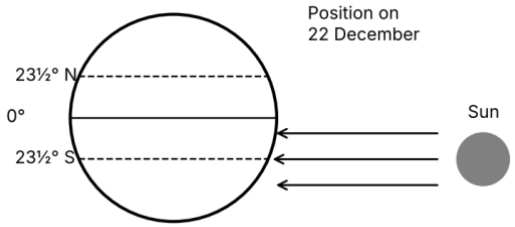
8. The Guruvayur Satyagraha (1931–32) was a struggle for temple entry. Explain its importance. (3)

9. Complete the chart showing the major physical divisions of Europe. (3)

Major physical divisions of Europe
North-western highlands | (A) …… | (B) …… | (C) ……

10. Write any three reasons for the growth of the cotton textile industry in Maharashtra and Gujarat. (3)

11 A. Observe the figure and answer the questions.



a. Over which latitude is the sun overhead on 22 December? (1)

b. Which season does the Northern Hemisphere experience at this time? Why? (2)

OR

11 B. What is standard time? Why does a country need a standard time? (3)

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

12. Newspapers, radio, television and social media influence our lives. Compare traditional media and new media using the hints. (4)

• Speed of communication • Reach • Interaction with the audience • Reliability

13 A. Explain the features of the parliamentary system of government followed in India. (4)

OR

13 B. How is a nation different from a nation-state? Explain. (4)

Answer questions 14 and 15 in detail. Each carries 5 scores. **(2 × 5 = 10)**

14 A. Explain the causes and the course of the Malabar Rebellion of 1921. (5)

OR

14 B. Justice means giving equal consideration to all individuals. Explain the principles of justice with examples. (5)

15. Industries help economic growth, but they also create problems. Critically evaluate this statement using the hints. (5)

• Employment and income • Use of resources • Pollution • Regional imbalance

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