SECOND TERM SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT 2026-27

MODEL QUESTION PAPER

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Std: X SET 2 **Score: 80**

Cool-off time: 15 minutes **Time: 2½ Hours**

Instructions

- The first 15 minutes is cool-off time. Use it to read the questions and plan your answers.
- Answer according to the instructions and the score given for each question.
- For questions with a choice (A or B), answer only one.

Questions 1 to 8 carry 1 score each. **(8 × 1 = 8)**

1. Gandhiji withdrew the Non-Cooperation Movement after the incident at (1)

A. Jallianwala Bagh B. Chauri Chaura C. Dandi D. Champaran

2. Which of the following is NOT a function of the Reserve Bank of India? (1)

A. Issuing currency notes B. Acting as the bankers' bank

C. Accepting deposits from the public D. Controlling credit

3. Choose the correct pairs. (1)

(i) Sahara – Africa (ii) Atacama – South America

(iii) Thar – India (iv) Kalahari – Australia

A. (i), (ii), (iii) B. (ii), (iv) C. (i), (iv) D. (iii), (iv)

4. The economic idea that the wealth of a nation is measured by the gold and silver it holds is (1)

A. capitalism B. mercantilism C. socialism D. feudalism

5. Who was the chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Constituent Assembly? (1)

A. Dr. Rajendra Prasad B. Jawaharlal Nehru C. Dr. B. R. Ambedkar D. Sardar Patel

6. The place inside the Earth where an earthquake originates is called the (1)

A. epicentre B. focus C. crater D. vent

7. Match the banking services with their uses. (1)

A	B
a) Locker facility	(i) Withdrawing cash at any time
b) ATM	(ii) Keeping valuables safe
c) Overdraft	(iii) Withdrawing more than the balance in a current account

A. a-(ii), b-(i), c-(iii) B. a-(i), b-(ii), c-(iii)

C. a-(iii), b-(i), c-(ii) D. a-(ii), b-(iii), c-(i)

8. Mark each statement as true or false and choose the correct option. (1)

a) Social media has become a major means of forming public opinion.

b) Political parties do not influence public opinion.

c) Opinion polls help to know the views of the people.

d) A free press is not necessary for democracy.

A. a and c true; b and d false B. b and d true; a and c false

C. a and b true; c and d false D. All are false

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Questions 9 to 16 carry 2 scores each. **(8 × 2 = 16)**

9. (A) What is humanism? Name one humanist thinker. (2)

OR

(B) What was the Reformation? Who started it in Germany? (2)

10. (A) Write two important ideas in the Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen. (2)

OR

(B) Write two reforms introduced by Napoleon. (2)

11. Write two difficulties of the barter system. (2)

12. How do the media help in forming public opinion? Write two points. (2)

13. What was the Rowlatt Act? How did it lead to the Jallianwala Bagh massacre? (2)

14. What is biological weathering? Give an example. (2)

15. (A) Write two differences between a political party and a pressure group. (2)

OR

(B) What is an opinion poll? Why is it conducted? (2)

16. What is the repo rate? What happens when the RBI increases it? (2)

Questions 17 to 22 carry 3 scores each. **(6 × 3 = 18)**

17. Write three consequences of the Industrial Revolution. (3)

18. Explain the early struggles of Gandhiji in India (Champaran, Kheda and Ahmedabad). (3)

19. (A) Write three features of the Savanna region. (3)

OR

(B) How have people adapted to life in hot deserts? (3)

20. Write three functions of commercial banks. (3)

21. (A) How is sociological knowledge different from common sense? (3)

OR

(B) Write about the three levels of consumer commissions under the Consumer Protection Act, 2019. (3)

22. Earthquakes cause great loss of life and property. (3)

a) Write one cause of earthquakes.

b) Suggest two safety measures to be taken during an earthquake.

Questions 23 to 29 carry 4 scores each. **(7 × 4 = 28)**

23. How did the growth of capitalism lead to colonialism and imperialism? (4)

24. (A) Explain the monetary policy tools used by the RBI to control the money supply. (4)

OR

(B) Explain the evolution of money from barter to digital money. (4)

25. Explain the features of the Non-Cooperation Movement and the Khilafat Movement. (4)

26. Explain the climate, vegetation and economic activities of the Taiga region. (4)

27. Explain the reorganisation of Indian states on a linguistic basis. (4)

28. Mark the following on the world outline map provided. (4)

a) The Congo basin

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b) The Mediterranean region in Europe
c) The Pampas
d) The Kalahari desert

29. Explain any four landforms formed by the work of rivers. (4)

Questions 30 and 31 carry 5 scores each. **(2 × 5 = 10)**

30. (A) Explain the participation of women, peasants and workers in the Indian national movement. (5)

OR

(B) Explain the making of the Indian Constitution and its main features. (5)

31. (A) Compare the Equatorial region and the Tundra region on the basis of location, climate, vegetation and life of the people. (5)

OR

(B) Explain the formation of volcanic landforms and the effects of volcanoes on human life. (5)

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