



INDIAN SCHOOL AL WADI AL KABIR
PRE-MIDTERM EXAMINATION 2026-27
SUB: SOCIAL SCIENCE (087)
SET 2 (Marking Scheme)

Class: VI

Maximum Marks:30

Date: 19.05.2026

Time Allowed: 1 Hour

I	SECTION – A Multiple Choice Questions: (1X6=6)	Marks
1	The picture shows an important national symbol of India. What does this pillar represent today in India? B) National Emblem	1
2	“Jana Gana Mana” was written by: B) Rabindranath Tagore	1
3	In history, AD stands for: C) Anno Domini	1

4			Column A		Column B	1
	a	Intermediate Directions		i	180°	
	b	Symbols		ii	0°	
	c	Equator		iii	Represent features on a map	
	d	International Date Line		iv	Northeast, Southwest	
A) a-iv, b-iii, c-ii, d-i						
5	A ship crosses the International Date Line from east to west. What happens to the date? B) It increases by one day					1
6	What is an atlas? B) A book or collection of maps					1
II	SECTION – B Very short answer -questions: (1X5=5)					
7 Ans	What is History and why is it important? - History is the study of the past. - It allows us to understand past societies and their impact.					(1/2+1/2=1)
8 Ans	How is the Equator important in geography? - The Equator is the primary line of latitude that divides the Earth into the Northern and Southern Hemispheres. It serves as: - The starting point for measuring latitude. - A major factor in determining climate. (ANY 2)					(1/2+1/2=1)
9 Ans	Who composed our national anthem and national song? - Rabindranath Tagore composed our national anthem. - Bankim Chandra Chatterjee composed our national song.					(1/2+1/2=1)
10 Ans	How do the components of a map help us understand it better? - Distance (Scale) helps us know how far one place is from another. - Direction helps us find locations using North, South, East, and West. - Symbols help us understand different features like rivers, roads, and buildings easily. (ANY 2)					(1/2+1/2=1)

11 Ans	Explain the significance of symbols in understanding a map. • We cannot draw real pictures of everything on a map because there is very little space. • So, we use small signs called symbols to show places and things. • Symbols show buildings like schools, railway stations, and post offices. • They also show roads, railway lines, rivers, ponds, and forests. • The Survey of India decides the common symbols used in maps of India. (ANY 2)	(1/2+1/2=1)												
III	SECTION – C Short answer-based questions: (2X5=10)													
12 Ans	What is the difference between latitude and longitude? <table border="1"><tr><td>Latitude</td><td>Longitude</td></tr><tr><td>Latitudes are imaginary lines drawn from east to west.</td><td>Longitudes are imaginary lines drawn from north to south.</td></tr><tr><td>They are also called parallels.</td><td>They are also called meridians.</td></tr><tr><td>The main latitude is the Equator (0°).</td><td>The main longitude is the Prime Meridian (0°) passing through Greenwich.</td></tr><tr><td>There are 180° of latitudes (90° North and 90° South).</td><td>There are 360° of longitudes (180° East and 180° West).</td></tr><tr><td>(ANY 2)</td><td></td></tr></table>	Latitude	Longitude	Latitudes are imaginary lines drawn from east to west.	Longitudes are imaginary lines drawn from north to south.	They are also called parallels.	They are also called meridians.	The main latitude is the Equator (0°).	The main longitude is the Prime Meridian (0°) passing through Greenwich.	There are 180° of latitudes (90° North and 90° South).	There are 360° of longitudes (180° East and 180° West).	(ANY 2)		(1+1=2)
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13 Ans	Why is the shape of the Earth not considered, a perfect sphere? • The Earth is not a perfect sphere because it bulges at the equator and is flattened at the poles. • This is caused by the centrifugal force generated by the Earth’s rotation. • Its true shape is known as an oblate spheroid or a geoid. (ANY 2)	(1+1=2)												
14 Ans	How can understanding coordinates help in locating places? • Understanding coordinates helps us find places easily using latitude and longitude. • Every place on Earth has its own unique coordinates, which help us locate it exactly on a map or globe. • Coordinates help in navigation and finding locations accurately. (ANY 2)	(1+1=2)												
15 Ans	What is the Prime Meridian and why is it called the Greenwich Meridian? • The Prime Meridian is the reference line used to measure longitudes. • It is called the Greenwich Meridian because it passes through Greenwich, an area of London in England. • In 1884, it was adopted by nations as the international standard. • It is marked as 0° longitude. (ANY 2)	(1+1=2)												
16 Ans	Which is more useful to travellers—a map or a globe? Justify your answer. Map • A map is a two-dimensional drawing of the Earth or a part of it. • It is flat in shape. • It is easy to carry and use. So, the map is more useful to travellers. (ANY 2 POINTS)	(1+1=2)												
IV	SECTION – D Long answer-based questions: (3X2=6)													
17 Ans	A student traveling across different cities notices that local times are different, but everyone follows the same clock time. Why is standard time used instead of local time? Explain.	(1+1+1=3)												

	- Standard time is the fixed time followed by the whole country. - It is based on one selected meridian (longitude) of the country. - The entire country follows one common time. - Standard time avoids confusion. - India follows IST (Indian Standard Time), which is 5 hours 30 minutes ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). (ANY 3 POINTS)	
18	Draw a labeled diagram of the Earth showing the main heat zones.	3 (Labeling- 2 Colouring -1)
Ans		
V	SECTION – E MAP SKILL-BASED QUESTION (3 marks)	
19	On the given outline map of India locate, label and colour the following States A) Tamil Nadu B) Madhya Pradesh C) Karnataka	1 1 1

