 **INDIAN SCHOOL AL WADI AL KABIR**

**DEPARMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCE**

**PRE-MIDTERM ASSESSMENT - 2023-24**

**Class: VIII Max: Marks:30**

**Date:21/05/2023 Time:1 Hour**



***General Instructions: -***

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1. Ensure that you have written your name and roll number correctly.  
2. This Question paper has three parts, **Section A (History)B (Civics) C (Geography).**  
3. All questions are compulsory.  
4. All the answers must be correctly numbered as in the question paper in the Answer sheet  
provided.

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|  | **SECTION A (HISTORY) 10 Marks** |  |
| **I** | **Choose the correct answer: -** | **2 Marks** |
| 1 | Who was the famous Scottish economist and political philosopher?  a) Charles Darwin b) James Mill c) Albert Einstein d) Thomas Hardy | 1 Mark |
| 2 | Who was the first Governor General in India?  a) Warren Hastings b) Ripon c) Harding d) Lytton | 1 Mark |
| **II** | **Fill in the blanks: -** | **2 Marks** |
| 3 | The British were very particular about preserving **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. | 1 Mark |
| 4 | History is about finding out how things were in the past and how things have been **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. | 1 Mark |
| **III** | **Answer in one or two sentences: -** | **3 Marks** |
| 5 | Why do we divide History into different periods? | 1 Mark |
| 6 | How do the information received by the historians from the old newspapers are different from the police reports? | 1 Mark |
| 7 | Define the term 'colonization'? | 1 Mark |
| **IV** | **Answer in Detail: -** | **3 Marks** |
| 8 | What were the measures adopted by the British to conquer and establish their rule in India? | 3 Marks |
|  | **SECTION B (CIVICS) 10 Marks** |  |
| **V** | **Choose the correct answer: -** | **2 Marks** |
| 9 | The Indian constitution was adopted in  a) 26th January 1950. b) 26th October 1949. c) 15th August 1945. d) 25th December 1950. | 1 Mark |
| 10 | Who was the President of the Constituent Assembly of India?  a) Dr. Rajendra Prasad. b) Jawaharlal Nehru. c) Dr. John Mathai.  d) Shri Jagjivan Ram | 1 Mark |
| **VI** | **Fill in the blanks: -** | **2 Marks** |
| 11 | **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** is a form of government in which the final authority is rested with the King. | 1 Mark |
| 12 | The Indian Constituent Assembly was formed in the year **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. | 1 Mark |
| **VII** | **Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: -** | **3 Marks** |
| 13 | Let us try and understand what we mean by this through two contrasting situations in the recent history of Nepal, a country that borders India on the north. Until recently, Nepal was a monarchy. The previous Constitution of Nepal, which had been adopted in 1990, reflected the fact that the final authority rested with the King. A people’s movement in Nepal fought for several decades to establish democracy and in 2006 they finally succeeded in putting an end to the powers of the King. The people had to write a new Constitution to establish Nepal as a democracy. The reason that they did not want to continue with the previous Constitution is because it did not reflect the ideals of the country that they want Nepal to be, and that they have fought for.  **1.What was the form of government in Nepal according to the constitution of 1990?**  **2. What was the aim of people’s movement in Nepal?**  **3. Why did people of Nepal wanted to write a new Constitution after the success of people's movement?** | 3 Marks |
| **VIII** | **Answers in Detail: -** | **3 Marks** |
| 14 | Explain the significance of following key features of the Indian Constitution.  A) Fundamental Rights B) Federalism C) Separation of powers | 3 Marks |
|  | **SECTION C (GEOGRAPHY) 10 Marks** |  |
| **IX** | **Choose the correct option: -** | **2 Marks** |
| 1 | Resources are distributed unequally over the earth because of  a) the different natural conditionsb) level of development c) technological levels d) none of these | 1 Mark |
| 2 | Resources used carefully and giving them time to get renewed is called  a) Resource conservation b) Sustainable development c) Resource development d) Human Resource development | 1 Mark |
| **X** | **Match the following: -** | **2 Marks** |
|  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | Column A |  | Column B | | 1 | Resources | A | Human made resource | | 2 | A vehicle | B | Biotic resource | |  |  | C | Utility | |  |
| **XI** | **Answer in one or two sentences: -** | **3 Marks** |
| 3 | What is Human resource development? | 1 Mark |
| 4 | Give a few examples of man-made resources and natural resources? | 1 Mark |
| 5 | What is an 'Actual resource'? | 1 Mark |
| **XII** | **Answer in detail: -** | **3 marks** |
| 6 | Why human resources are important in a country? | 3 Marks |