



ANANDALAYA  
PERIODIC TEST – 1  
Class : VIII

Subject: Social Science  
Date : 17/07/2019

M.M: 50  
Time: 2 Hour

General Instructions:

1. Q.No. 1 to 5 are objective type questions and Q 6 to 8 are very short answer questions of 1 mark each.
2. Q No. 9 to 17 are short answer questions of 3 mark each. Answers to these questions should not exceed 70 words each.
3. Q No. 18 to 20 are long answer questions . Answers to these questions should not exceed 100.

1. Choose the correct answer: (1)  
The author of the book 'A history of British India'  
(a) Warren Hastings (b) James Mill  
(c) James Rennel (d) None of the above
2. Choose the correct answer: (1)  
The last of the powerful Mughal ruler was  
(a) Babur (b) Bahadurshah Zafar  
(c) Aurangzeb (d) None of the above
3. In which of the following situations is the minister misusing his power? (1)  
(a) Refuses to sanction a project of his ministry for sound technical reasons  
(b) Threatens to send his security staff to rough up his neighbour  
(c) Call up the police station asking not to register a complaint that is likely to be filled against his relative  
(d) None of the above
4. Find the resource from the given options which has no commercial value as yet: (1)  
(a) Arun has recovered from his prolonged sickness because of his sister's care.  
(b) Puja's handwriting is beautiful as she writes with a fountain pen.  
(c) Agricultural land of Suresh is more fertile than Haripada's land.  
(d) India produces and exports huge amount of Iron ore.
5. Choose the kind of practice from the following statements which leads to sustainable development for our country in future: (1)  
(a) Increasing number of Thermal power plants to generate electricity from fossil fuels.  
(b) Clearing forests to expand agricultural land.  
(c) Recycling paper to prevent cutting of trees.  
(d) Manufacturing of leather jackets by killing animals.
6. Name the explorer who had discovered sea route to India. (1)
7. State one reason why Nepal did not want to continue with previous constitution. (1)
8. Mention any two physical factors which determine the uses of land. (1)

9. Discuss any three sources of information about British administration in India (3)
10. 'The practice of survey became common under colonial administration'. Explain the significance of surveys. (3)
11. Describe the expansion of British trade in Bengal. (3)
12. What are fundamental rights? Explain the following key features of Indian Constitution. (3)
  1. Federalism
  2. Separation of powers
  3. Parliamentary form of government
13. Which fundamental right will be exercised in the following situations? (3)
  1. A 10 year child from poor family gets admission in school. He will now get free education.
  2. A labourer migrates to another state in search of work and starts living there.
  3. The police arrested a contractor for employing a 13 year child as labourer.
14. Explain the 'Right to Equality'. (3)
15. Compare ubiquitous and localized resources based on their distribution and one example for each. (3)
16. "The present rate of degradation of land resources must be checked." (3)
  - (a) Explain the importance of land resources.( any two points)
  - (b) Suggest any four measures to prevent the land degradation.
17. Explain the role of Parent Rock and Climate as the major factors of soil formation. (3)
18. Among whom was the battle of Buxar fought? State the outcomes of this battle. (5)
19. Today, most countries in the world have a constitution. Why does a country need a constitution? (5)
20. Mention any two human reasons and any two natural reasons responsible for soil degradation. Explain the methods of soil conservation used in prevention of soil erosion in dry and hilly regions. (Two measures for each region). (5)