

**CBSE Sample Papers for Class 10 Social Science**

Time: 3hours M.M.: 80

Instructions :

1. The question paper has 36 questions in all. All questions are compulsory.
  2. Marks are indicated against each question.
  3. Questions from serial number 1 to 16 are multiple choice questions (MCQ). Each question carries one mark.
  4. Questions from serial number 17 to 31 are 3 marks questions. Answer of these questions should not exceed 80 words each.
  5. Questions from serial number 32 to 35 are 4 marks questions. Answer of these questions should not exceed 100 words each.
  6. Question number 36 is a map question of 4 marks from Geography only. After completion, attach the map inside your answer book.
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**MCQ**

1. In which one of the following years Great Depression occurred in the world?

- (a) 1929-30
- (b) 1935-36
- (c) 1939-40
- (d) 1941-42

OR

Who among the following, improved the steam engine? 1

- (a) Mathew Boulton
- (b) James Watt
- (c) Henry Ford
- (d) Graham Bell

OR

Which one of the following is correct about the Annual London Season? 1

- (a) It was meant for wealthy Britishers only.
- (b) Organized for the working class.
- (c) Organized for the exchange of news.
- (d) Organized for political action. 1

2. Which one of the following groups of the countries was known as the 'Central powers' in Europe?

- (a) Germany, Russia and France
- (b) Russia, Germany and Britain
- (c) Germany, Austria-Hungary and Ottoman-Turkey
- (d) Britain, Germany and Russia 1

OR

Which of the following group of industries was the dynamic industries of England during its earliest phase of industrialization?

- (a) Cotton and metals
- (b) Cotton and silk
- (c) Silk and foot wears
- (d) Foot wears and glass 1

OR

After reclamation how many islands were joined together to develop the city of Bombay (Mumbai)?

- (a) Seven
- (b) Five 95
- (c) Three
- (d) Ten

3. Who among the following developed the first known printing press in the 1430s? 1

- (a) Johann Gutenberg
- (b) James Watt

(c) New Commen

(d) Marconi

OR

Who among the following is the author of the novel 'Hard Times'? 1

(a) Leo Tolstoy

(b) Thomas Hardy

(c) Charles Dickens

(d) Samuel Richardson 1

4. The first printing press came to India with which one of the following?

(a) Portuguese Missionaries

(b) Catholic Priests

(c) Dutch protestants

(d) East India Company 1

OR

Who among the following is the author of the novel 'Pariksha Guru'?

(a) Prem Chand

(b) Srinivas Das

(c) Devki Nandan Khatri

(d) Chandu Menon 1

5. Which one of the following soil types is the most widely spread and important soil in India?

(a) Laterite soils

(b) Black soils

(c) Alluvial soils

(d) Red and yellow soils 1

6. In which one of the following states, Corbett National Park is located?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Madhya Pradesh
- (c) Rajasthan
- (d) Uttarakhand (Uttaranchal) 1

7. On which one of the following rivers Sardar Sarovar Dam is built?

- (a) River Kaveri
- (b) River Krishna
- (c) River Narmada
- (d) River Setluj 1

8. In which one of the following crops, India is the leading producer and exporter in the world?

- (a) Jute
- (b) Tea
- (c) Coffee
- (d) Rubber 1

9. Which of the following minority communities is relatively rich and powerful in Belgium?

- (a) French
- (b) Dutch
- (c) German
- (d) English 1

10. Which one of the following languages is spoken by the majority of the people of Sri Lanka?

- (a) Tamil
- (b) English
- (c) Sinhalese
- (d) French 1

11. Which one of the following countries fall in the category of 'coming together federation'?

- (a) India
- (b) US
- (c) Spain
- (d) Belgium 1

12. Which one of the following does not come under the purview of 'family laws'?

- (a) Matters related to marriage
- (b) Matters related to divorce
- (c) Matters related to adoption
- (d) Matters related to robbery 1

13. Among the following criteria which one is the basis to measure the development of a country according to the World Bank

- (a) Per Capita Income
- (b) Literacy Rate
- (c) Gross Enrolment Ratio 96
- (d) Life Expectancy 1

14. Which one among the following is a development goal common to all?

- (a) Freedom
- (b) Equal opportunities
- (c) Security and respect
- (d) High levels of income and better quality of life 1

15. Which one of the following occupations is associated with primary sector?

- (a) Doctor
- (b) Gardener
- (c) Teacher
- (d) Priest 1

16. Which one among the following is the most appropriate meaning of underemployment?

- (a) Workers are not paid for their work
- (b) Workers are working less than what they are capable of doing
- (c) Workers are working in a lazy manner
- (d) Workers do not want to work

17. Explain the impact of Great Depression of 1929 on the Indian economy giving three points. 3x1=3

OR

Explain any three problems faced by the cotton weavers in India during mid 19th century. 3x1=3

OR

Explain any three reasons for the expansion of Bombay's (Mumbai's) population in mid 18th century. 3x1=3

18. "Access to books created a new culture of reading". Support the statement giving three examples. 3x1=3

OR

Explain the contribution of women writers on the writing of novels in India. 3x1=3

19. Explain how Martin Luther spoke in praise of print. 3x1=3

OR

Explain the contribution of Prem Chand in the field of novel writing. 3x1=3

20. Explain giving three points how did the print culture develop in India? 3x1=3

OR

Explain the contribution of Rokeya Hossein in the field of education and literature. 3x1=3

21. What is resource planning? Why is the planning of resource essential? Explain any two reasons. 1+2=3

22. Why do we need to conserve our forest and wildlife resources? Explain any three reasons. 3x1=3

23. Why is the scarcity of water increasing day by day in India? Explain any three reasons 3x1=3

24. Mention any three provisions of the Act which was passed in Sri Lanka in 1956 to establish Sinhala supremacy. 3x1=3

25. Explain overlapping and cross cutting social differences with three examples. 3x1=3
26. Explain any three factors that determine the outcome of politics of social division. 3x1=3
27. State any three facts to show that the women face disadvantage and discrimination in our patriarch society. 3x1=3
28. Explain any three different bases of comparison of economic development of different nations states. 3x1=3 97
29. Describe any three public facilities needed for development. 3x1=3
30. Explain any three types of unemployment found in India. 3x1=3
31. "Workers are exploited in unorganized sectors in India". Support the statement with suitable examples. 3x1=3
32. Explain the effects of coming of 'Rinderpest' to Africa during the close of 19th century. 4x1=4

OR

Explain giving four reasons why did the industrialists of Europe prefer hand labour over machines during the 19th century. 4x1=4

OR

Why did well off Londoners support the need for building houses for the poor in 19th century? Explain in four points. 4x1=4

33. What is the main contribution of agriculture to the national economy? Explain any three steps taken by the Government of India to modernize agriculture. 1+3=4

34. Explain any four features of federalism. 4x1=4

35. How can more employment be created in rural areas? Explain with the help of four suitable examples. 4x1=4

36. Three features with serial number 1 to 3 are marked on the given political outline map of India. Identify these features with the help of the following information and write their correct Names on the lines marked in the Map. 3x1=3

(1) Soil type

(2) Tiger Reserve

(3) The leading coffee producing state

OR

Locate and label the following items with appropriate symbols on the same Map. 3x1=3

(a) Hirakud Dam

(b) Sunderbans national park

(c) The largest producing state of Bajra

Note : The following question is for the Visually Impaired Candidates only, in lieu of Q.No. 36

(36.1) What is the colour of the arid soils

(36.2) Name the Tiger Reserve of Kerala.

(36.3) In which state 'Bhairudev Dakav Sonchuri' is developed for protecting the wildlife? 3x1=3

