

SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER - 2

Solved

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 90

General Instructions :

1. The question paper has 30 questions in all. All questions are compulsory.
2. Marks are indicated against each question.
3. Questions from serial number 1 to 8 are Very Short Answer Type Questions of 1 mark each.
4. Questions from serial number 9 to 21 are 3 marks questions. Answer of these questions should not exceed more than 80 words each.
5. Questions from serial number 22 to 29 are 5 marks questions. Answer of these questions should not exceed more than 120 words each.
6. Question number 30 is a map question of 3 marks. After completion, attach the map inside your answer book.

1. In which year did the Great Depression start ? 1
OR
Where were most of the large scale industries located in 1911 ?
OR
The very first section of the underground railways in the world was opened in which city?
2. Which is the oldest printed Japanese book ? 1
OR
Which country was the first where novel took firm root ?
3. What is the state religion of Sri Lanka ? 1
4. By which name the rural local government is popularly known ? 1
5. Name any two elements that show the basic unity in India. 1
6. Which area of the world has the largest crude oil reserves ? 1
7. What do final goods and services mean ? [HOTS] 1
8. Write three activities which belong to the primary sector. [HOTS] 1
9. Explain the three types of flows within international economy in exchanges. 3

OR

Describe the function performed by supply merchants in export trade.

OR

State any three characteristics of the ancient cities.

10. Highlight any three circumstances that led to the intermingling of the hearing culture and the reading culture. 3

OR

On which issue and what did Charles Dickens write in his novel 'Hard Times'? Describe.

11. Distinguish between the renewable and non-renewable resources. 3
12. Explain resource planning. What are the steps involved in resource planning? [HOTS] 3
13. Distinguish between endangered species and vulnerable species of wild animals. Give one example of each. 3
14. Explain the working of underground tanks as a part of roof top rainwater harvesting system practised in Rajasthan. 3
15. After 1990, globalisation has caused difficulties to Indian farmers. How do you think the lot of farmers can be improved in India? 3
16. What is majoritarianism? Describe the majoritarianism measures adopted by Sri Lankan government to establish Sinhala supremacy? 1 + 2 = 3
17. Do you think that social divisions are always dangerous? Explain. [Value-based question] 3
18. Explain the status of women's representation in India's legislative bodies. 3
19. Describe any three features of a developed country? 3
20. State the criterion used by the World Bank as per World Development Report 2006, in classifying the countries. How did the World Bank define low and high income countries (based on this report)? 3
21. "All the service sectors are not growing equally well in India." Justify the statement with three arguments. [HOTS] 3
22. Describe in brief the economic conditions of the post First World War period. 5

OR

Why was a jobber employed? How did a jobber misuse his position and power? Explain.

OR

Ties between members of households loosened in Britain in the era of industrialisation. Explain the statement.

23. What difference did printing technology make in the lives of women and children in the 19th century. Explain. 5

OR

"Novels were useful for both the colonial administrators and Indians in colonial India." Support the statement with example.

24. "From the late 19th century, issues of caste discrimination began to be written about in many printed tracts and essays. Support the statement by giving examples. 5

OR

The early novelists in India played a significant role in spreading social awareness. Justify the statement with examples.

25. "Forests play a key role in the ecological system." Highlight the values of forest in our life. 5
26. "Local governments have made a significant impact on Indian democracy. At the same time there are many difficulties." Explain. 5
27. Examine the standard of women's representation in India's legislative bodies. 5
28. How has the World Development Report classified the countries? What are the limitations of this report? 5

29. Identify any five areas where the government must spend for the welfare of the people and why? [HOTS] 5
30. Two features (A) and (B) are shown in the given political outline map of India. Identify these features with the help of following information and write their correct names on the lines marked on the map.
- (A) A soil type
- (B) A rice producing area
- On the same political map of India, locate and label Rihand.

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