



**ST. MARGARET SR. SEC. SCHOOL  
ANNUAL EXAMINATION 2024-25  
SUBJECT: SOCIAL SCIENCE  
SAMPLE PAPER - CLASS: VIII**

**Time: 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Hr**

**M.M: 60**

**IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1) All questions are compulsory**
- 2) Students should write neatly**
- 3) Write the question numbers in the correct sequence**

**Multiple choice questions**

**13X1=13**

**1. Tribals who saw themselves as people of forests and could only live on the produce of forests.**

- (a) Dikus                      (b) Baigas                      (c) Van Gujjars                      (d) Khonds

**2. Widow remarriage was promoted by:**

- (a) Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar    (b) Rani Laxmi Bai    (c) Raja Rammohan Roy    (d) Atul Roy

**3. Revolt of 1857 began from the city of:**

- (a) Meerut                      (b) Delhi                      (c) Calcutta                      (d) Jhansi

**4. Assertion : In the earlier system of education children from poor peasant families had been able to go to pathshaalas.**

**Reason : No regular time table & no printing books were used at that time.**

- (a) Both (A) & (R) are correct & (R) is the right explanation of (A)  
(b) Both (A) & (R) are correct but (R) is not the right explanation of (A)  
(c) (A) is correct but (R) is wrong  
(d) (A) is wrong but (R) is correct

**5. The term Scheduled Tribe is used for:**

- (a) Adivasis                      (b) Urban People                      (c) Rural People                      (d) Poor People

**6. Language primarily spoken by Adivasis in India .**

- (a) English                      (b) Hindi                      (c) Bengali                      (d) Santhali

**7. Group which is numerically less in number.**

- (a) Majority                      (b) lower castes                      (c) Minority                      (d) princes

**8. Parliamentary government is based on:**

- a) Approval                      (b) Coalition                      (c) consent                      (d) arguments

**9. Which of the following is not a coarse grain?**

- (a) Jowar                      (b) Bajra                      (c) Ragi                      (d) Maize

**10. Jamshedpur lies on the banks of \_\_\_\_\_ river**

- (a) Damodar                      (b) Ganga                      (c) Subarnarekha                      (d) Ohio

**11. Terrace farming method is common in \_\_\_\_\_ regions**

- (a) Forest                      (b) Mountain                      (c) Coastal                      (d) Plains

**12. Pick out from the following, the apt definition for natural growth rate.**

- (a) The difference between the birth rate and the death rate of a country  
(b) The age- sex composition of a country.

- (c) The way in which people are spread across the earth's surface.
- (d) The number of people living per square unit of area

**13. The evaporation of water takes place due to**

- (a) Nitrogen Cycle
- (b) Water Cycle
- (c) Cooling of Ice
- (d) Floods

**Case Based Questions**

**2X4=8**

**14. Read the text and answer the following questions**

In 1783, a person named William Jones arrived in Calcutta. He had an appointment as a junior judge at the Supreme Court that the Company had set up. In addition to being an expert in law, Jones was a linguist. He had studied Greek and Latin at Oxford, knew French and English, had picked up Arabic from a friend, and had also learnt Persian. At Calcutta, he began spending many hours a day with pandits who taught him the subtleties of Sanskrit language, grammar and poetry.

- 14.1 When did William Jones arrive in Calcutta? 1
- 14.2 He was appointed as a \_\_\_\_\_ . 1
- 14.3 How do you know William Jones was a Linguist? 2

**15. Read the text and answer the following questions**

Gurpreet, Madho and Tina were walking through the village where they saw a farmer tilling land. The farmer told them that he was growing wheat and had just added manure to the soil to make it more fertile. He told the children that the wheat would fetch a good price in the mandi from where it would be taken to factories to make bread and biscuits from flour.

- 15.1 Define agriculture? 1
- 15.2 Why did the farmer add manure to the soil? 1
- 15.3 What type of climate and soil is required for growing wheat? 2

**Very Short answer type questions**

**5X2=10**

- 16. Explain the meaning of Adivasis.
- 17. Explain the social practices followed by tribals.
- 18. Discuss how constitution protects rights of minorities.
- 19. Define 'separation of powers'.
- 20. Explain the ideas of Gandhiji regarding education in Indian society.

**Short answer type questions**

**3X3=9**

- 21. What promise did the British make to Indian princes after the Revolt of 1857?
- 22. Discuss cultural and educational right given in the constitution.
- 23. Sakchi was chosen to set up the steel plant for several reasons. Explain the reasons that helped in setting up of Iron and Steel industry at Sakchi.

**Long answer type questions**

**3X5=15**

- 24. Elaborate main features of Swadeshi and Boycott movement.
- 25. Explain the main features of SC and ST act 1989?
- 26. What are population pyramids? How do they help in understanding about the population of a country?

**Map Skill Based Questions**

**5X1=5**

**27. On the map of India mark the following places.**

- i. Amritsar
- ii. Chauri Chaura

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**On the same map of India mark the following places.**

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- (iii) Largest producing state of Tea
- (iv) State having largest population
- (v) Smallest state according to area.