

City International School

FIRST TERMINAL EXAMINATION – 2013 - 2014

Date : 06/08/2013

Marks : 80

Std : X

Subject : History / Civics – Paper I

Time : 2 hrs

You will not be allowed to write during the first 15 minutes.

Answer to this paper must be written on the paper provided separately.

This time is to be spent in reading the question paper.

This time given on the head of this paper is the time allowed for writing the answers.

Attempt all questions from Part – I (Compulsory). A total of five questions are to be attempted from Part – II. Two out of three questions from Section A and three out of five questions from Section B.

The intended marks for the questions or parts of questions are given in brackets ()

PART I [30 MARKS]

Attempt all questions from this part. (Compulsory)

Q. 1 Answer the following:

- a. What does quorum mean? (1)
- b. How does the President exercise his power? (1)
- c. What is an ordinance? When and by whom is it issued? (1)
- d. Name the speaker of the Lok Sabha. (1)
- e. What policies of the Government does the Cabinet formulate? (1)
- f. What does prorogation mean? (1)
- g. How many members does the President nominate to the Rajya Sabha? (1)
- h. What is known as the President's rule? (1)
- i. Who are the council of ministers collectively responsible to? (1)
- j. When does the position of the Prime Minister become more vulnerable? (1)

Q. 2 Answer the following questions.

- a. What did the Indian ruler agree through the subsidiary Alliance? (2)
- b. Why did the Viceroy, Lord Dufferin favour the formation of the Congress? (2)
- c. Any two demands made by the early nationalists (2)
- d. What was the main objective of the Assertive Nationalists what did it mean? (2)
- e. What does swadeshi mean? What did it aim at? (2)
- f. Name the permanent president of the Muslim League. (2)
Where was its headquarters?

- g. What is known as the Lucknow Pact? (2)
- h. Name the United Nations specialized agency for health, when is the world Health Day celebrated? (2)
- i. Name the judicial organ of the UN. Where is it situated? (2)
- j. What is called the Drain of Wealth? What did it include? (2)

PART II [50 MARKS]

SECTION A

Attempt any two questions from this section.

Q. 3 With reference to the Union Parliament answer the following.

- a. Composition of Lok Sabha. (3)
- b. Lok Sabha is more powerful than Rajya Sabha. Discuss. (3)
- c. Functions of the Speaker with reference to the 'Business of the House'. (4)

Q. 4 With reference to the President and the Vice President answer the following.

- a. Diplomatic Powers of the President. (3)
- b. When can the Vice-President take over the office of the President? (3)
- c. Legislative Power of the President. (4)

Q. 5 With reference to the Prime Minister and the Council of Ministers answer the following.

- a. Formation of the Cabinet. (3)
- b. Powers of the Prime Minister as a leader of the Nation. (3)
- c. Difference between the Council of Ministers and the Cabinet. (4)

SECTION B

Attempt any three questions from this section.

Q. 6 The proposal of a world organization more effective than the League of Nations was discussed at various conferences by the world leaders. Finally these discussions led to the foundation of the UNO. With reference to this, answer the following.

- a. Reasons for the establishment of the UN. (3)
- b. Objectives of the UN. (3)
- c.
 - i. Identify the logo. (1)
 - ii. Any three functions of the same. (3)

Q. 7 The period during the First World War was of intense nationalist political activity. With reference to this, answer the following.

- a. Significance of the Lucknow Paet. (3)
- b. Impact of the Home Rule Moveemnt. (3)
- c. Factors responsible for the formation of Muslim League. (4)

Q. 8 National awakening in India originated from the concepts of nationalism and right of self determination initiated by the French Revolution. With reference to this, answer the following.

- a. Aims of the Indian National Congress. (3)
- b. Impact of Swadeshi and Boycott Movement. (3)
- c. Reaction of the people for the partition of Bengal. (4)

Q. 9 From 1885 to 1918, the Congress was led by a group of leaders. With reference to this, answer the following.

- a. Official attitude towards the congress. (3)
- b.
 - i. Name the 'Grand Old Man of India'. (1)
 - ii. Name the newspaper and magazine edited by him. (2)
- c. Causes for the rise of Assertive Nationalism. (4)

Q. 10 The Indians resisted the British rule in India from its very beginning. With reference to this, answer the following.

- a. Indian soldiers were affected greatly under the British. Discuss. (3)
- b. Consequences of the first war of Independence. (3)
- c. Drawbacks of the first war of Independence. (4)