

City International School

Second Summative Assessment 2015 - 2016

Date : 04/04/2016

Marks : 60

Std : VII

Subject : History / Civics (Paper I)

Time : 1½ 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 four questions are to be attempted from Part – II. One out of two questions from Section A and three out of four questions from Section B.

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

PART I [20 MARKS]

Attempt all questions from this part.

Q. 1 Answer the following:

- a. Who appoints the senior officials of the Union Government? (1)
- b. What is the term of office of the Vice-President? (1)
- c. Who is the head of the Council of Ministers? (1)
- d. Give the full form i. IAS ii. UPSC (1)
- e. Name any two cases where the Supreme Court has the power to pass a judgement? (1)
- f. Which is the highest court in India? (1)
- g. What is the retirement age of a High Court judge? (1)
- h. Who is the Chairperson of the Rajya Sabha? (1)
- i. State the two types of cases that are dealt by the Panchayat Courts. (1)
- j. Who presides over the Lok Adalats? (1)

Q. 2 Answer the following:

- a. Name the two famous ragas composed by Mian Tansen. (2)
- b. When was Akbar proclaimed the king? Who was appointed as his regent? (2)
- c. Who is called the 'Engineer King'? Why? (2)
- d. Name the 'King-makers'. (2)
- e. When was Shivaji born? Who shaped his early life? (2)

PART II [40 MARKS]

SECTION – A

Attempt any one questions from this section.

- Q. 3** With reference to the executive body of the government answer the following.
- a. What are the financial powers of the President of India? (3)
 - b. Eligibility / Qualification required for the position of the Governor? (3)
 - c. State the powers of the Chief Minister. (4)
- Q. 4** With reference to the Judiciary answer the following.
- a. Write a short note on the composition of the High Court. (3)
 - b. Importance of the Lok Adalats. (3)
 - c. What are the eligibility criterias to become a judge of the Supreme Court? (4)

SECTION B

Attempt any three questions from this section

- Q. 5** With reference to the coming of the Mughals, answer the following questions.
- a. What were the problems faced by Humayun upon ascending the throne. (3)
 - b. Babur's Autobiography. (3)
 - c. Explain : Besides his military success, Babur has many other achievements. (4)
- Q. 6** With reference to 'Akbar the Great', answer the following.
- a. How did Akbar gain the loyalty of the Rajputs? (3)
 - b. Discuss the central administration under Akbar. (3)
 - c. Measures adopted by Akbar to show his secular spirit. (4)
- Q. 7** With reference to the fall of the Mughal Empire answer the following.
- a. Role of the Mansabdari crisis in the fall of the Mughal Empire. (3)
 - b. Policies of Aurangzeb. (3)
 - c. Why did the Mughal Empire fail to defend itself against the foreign invaders. (4)
- Q. 8** 'After Emperor Akbar's death, the task of consolidating and expanding the Mughal Empire fell on Jahangir, Shah Jahan and Aurangzeb.' With reference to this answer the following.
- a. Treaty of Purandhar. (3)
 - b. How was the revenue obtained from land utilised? (3)
 - c. Explain :
 - a. Chain of justice (2)
 - b. Coronation of Shivaji (2)