
QUESTION PAPER

TEST- V (MODERN INDIA & WORLD HISTORY)

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Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 250

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There are EIGHT questions divided in TWO SECTIONS

Candidate has to attempt FIVE questions in all.

Question Nos. 1 and 5 are compulsory and out of the remaining, THREE are to be attempted choosing at least ONE question from each Section.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

Attempts of questions shall be counted in sequential order. Unless struck off, attempt of a question shall be counted even if attempted partly. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.

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SECTION A

Q.1 Answer the following in about 150 words each: 10x5=50

(a) "New social economy during the British rule gave birth to the new social classes." Elaborate. [10 Marks]

(b) Examine the phase of political extremism of the Swadeshi Movement and the factors responsible for its decline. [10 Marks]

(c) Examine the nature of environmental movements that have emerged in independent India. [10 Marks]

(d) "Quit India Movement, which started with the unprecedented mass fury, underwent various phases throughout the movement." Comment. [10 Marks]

(e) Briefly discuss opposing views regarding consideration of the 19th century socio-economic reform movements as Renaissance. [10 Marks]

Q.2

(a) "Post-1857 peasant revolt saw the greater awareness of laws and institutions among the peasantry and involvement of the educated middle-class intelligentsia as spokespersons for the aggrieved peasantry." Analyse. How the subaltern school views the outside intervention of middle-class intelligentsia? [20 Marks]

(b) Discuss the development of the Railways in India. How it acted as an instrument to fulfil the imperial interest? [20 Marks]

(c) Discuss the role of princes in electoral politics with examples in post-independent India. [10 Marks]

Q.3

(a) "Emergence of the Swarajists was a manifestation of the aspirations of some leaders of nationalist ranks to start a new line of political program." Discuss. Also examine the factors leading to the decline of the Swarajists. [20 Marks]

(b) Discuss the factors responsible for the rise of leftism in India. How leftist ideologies grew in Congress and got reflected in its socio-economic programs? [20 Marks]

(c) "The non-cooperation movement was more effective where the peasants had already organised themselves." Justify with the help of examples. [10 Marks]

Q.4

(a) "The safety valve theory does not satisfactorily explain the foundation of the Indian National Congress". Critically examine. [20 Marks]

(b) "The Regulating Act of 1773 was passed to remove the evils inherent in the Company's constitution but the system that it established was imperfect." Elaborate. [20 Marks]

(c) "Ecological imperialism caused the destruction of forest and encroachment upon traditional rights of the people leading to the popular resistance during the British period." Analyse. [10 Marks]

SECTION B

Q.5 Answer the following in about 150 words each: 10x5=50

- (a) "Rousseau's sovereign was like Hobbesian leviathan with its head chopped off." Comment. [10 Marks]
- (b) "Nationalism in Asia and Africa differed from European nationalism which itself had variety of forms." Elaborate. [10 Marks]
- (c) "A roster of talented leaders emerged during 1763 to 1775 to make the American Revolution happen." Comment. [10 Marks]
- (d) Prediction of Marx was a Communist Revolution in a country with a large industrial class, but why did it occur in an industrially backward country like Russia with relatively smaller industrial class? [10 Marks]
- (e) How the language of narrow nationalism held at Frankfurt destroyed the German Revolution? [10 Marks]

Q.6

- (a) "New World Order and internal reforms of Gorbachev was aimed at saving the USSR but had opposite effect." In the light of this statement, discuss the New World Order and internal reforms of Gorbachev and its inability in saving the USSR. [20 Marks]
- (b) Throw light on the debate on the nature of French Revolution. [20 Marks]
- (c) To what extent was the Paris Peace Settlement shaped by the principle of self-determination? [10 Marks]

Q.7

- (a) "A series of political events served as the catalyst for exacerbating inherent tensions in the Yugoslav republic." In the light of the given statement, delineate the factors and events leading to the breakup of Yugoslavia in the bloody civil war. [20 Marks]
- (b) "The Balkan Wars (1912-13) did not solve the Balkan problems and were the prelude to the First World War." Elucidate. [20 Marks]
- (c) Discuss the impact of the Russo-Japanese War (1904-05) on Japan, China and European politics. [10 Marks]

Q.8

- (a) "The comparison between Italian unification and German unification reveals striking points of resemblance and no less striking points of dissimilarity with some in favor of Italy and some in favor of Germany." Analyse. [20 Marks]
- (b) "Crimea war was a fumbling war, probably unnecessary, largely futile, certainly extravagant, but rich with unintended consequences." Elaborate. [20 Marks]
- (c) How far do you agree with the view that Spanish ulcer ruined Napoleon Bonaparte? [10 Marks]

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