

KOTHARI INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, NOIDA
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION, SESSION: 2025-26
GRADE: 8 SUBJECT: SOCIAL SCIENCE
SET B SECTION A (OBJECTIVE)

DAY & DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

MAXIMUM MARKS: 20

NAME: _____

TIME ALLOTTED: 30 MINUTES

ROLL NO: _____

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- i). *This question paper contains 30 questions. All questions are compulsory.*
- ii). *This question paper consists of 3 pages.*
- iii). *The paper contains four sections A, B, C, D and E.*
- iv). *Section A & B are of 1 mark each*
- v). *Section C, D & E are of 0.5 mark each.*

SECTION A
MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

- Q1.** In which region did the Indigo Rebellion of 1859–60 primarily occur? (1)
a) Punjab b) Bengal c) Madras d) Bombay
- Q2.** Identify the incorrect statement about Human Resources: (1)
a) The numbers and characteristics of human resources do not change.
b) Human resource is the ultimate resource.
c) Human resources are not equally distributed.
d) Human resources differ in educational levels, age and gender.
- Q3.** In which region of India is the traditional farming method of 'shifting cultivation' most commonly practised? (1)
a) Punjab b) North-Eastern states c) Rajasthan d) Gujarat
- Q4.** Who became the Nawab of Bengal after the Battle of Plassey? (1)
a) Siraj-ud-Daulah b) Mir Qasim c) Mir Jafar d) Shuja-ud-Daulah
- Q5.** An IT company is looking for a location to set up its new office. Which factor will be **least** important for them? (1)
a) Availability of skilled labour b) Good internet connectivity
c) Proximity to raw materials d) Reliable transport network

SECTION B
TRUE OR FALSE QUESTIONS. REWRITE THE CORRECT STATEMENT IN CASE IT IS INCORRECT.

- Q6. Historians use paintings, letters, and newspapers as sources of history. _____ (1)

- Q7. Cottage industries usually use simple tools and family labour.. _____ (1)

- Q8. Literacy rate is an important indicator of human development. _____ (1)

- Q9. Renewable resources cannot be replenished once they are used. _____ (1)

SECTION C
ASSERTION-REASON QUESTIONS. CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION

- Q10 **Assertion (A):** Petroleum is called “black gold.” (0.5)
Reason (R): It is a valuable non-renewable resource used in various industries.
(a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
(b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.
(c) A is true but R is false.
(d) A is false but R is true
- Q11 **Assertion (A):** The British East India Company came to India as traders. (0.5)
Reason (R): They initially wanted to establish political control over Indian territories.
(a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
(b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.
(c) A is true but R is false.
(d) A is false but R is true
- Q12 **Assertion (A):** Iron and steel industries are called the backbone of modern industry. (0.5)
Reason (R): They provide raw materials to various other industries.
(a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
(b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.
(c) A is true but R is false.
(d) A is false but R is true
- Q13 **Assertion (A):** Crop rotation helps in maintaining soil fertility. (0.5)
Reason (R): Growing the same crop repeatedly depletes specific nutrients from the soil.
(a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
(b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.
(c) A is true but R is false.
(d) A is false but R is true

SECTION D
FILL IN THE BLANKS

- Q14** _____ are also known as coarse grains. **(0.5)**
- Q15** The Permanent Settlement was introduced by _____ in Bengal. **(0.5)**
- Q16** The Doctrine of _____ was introduced by _____ to annex Indian states without a male heir. **(1)**
- Q17** The cultivation of grapes is called _____. **(0.5)**
- Q18** The average number of people living in a given area is called _____. **(0.5)**
- Q19** The indigo planters forced peasants to cultivate indigo under the _____ system. **(0.5)**
- Q20** Official records were maintained in _____ language by officials during British rule. **(0.5)**
- Q21** James Mill divided Indian history into _____ periods. **(0.5)**
- Q22** The main raw material for the aluminium industry is _____. **(0.5)**

SECTION E
MATCH THE COLUMN

(4)

S.NO	COLUMN A	COLUMN B
23.	Cotton Textile	a. Large-scale farming of tea, coffee, and rubber
24.	Iron ore	b. Human component
25.	Lord Cornwallis	c. Shifted capital to Murshidabad
26.	Jute	d. Jamshedpur
27.	Battle of Buxar	e. Agro-based industry
28.	Mir Qasim	f. Known as the “Golden Fibre”
29.	Plantation farming	g. Mineral-based industry
30.	Steel plant	i. 1674
		j. 1764
		k. Permanent Settlement
		l. Known as the “Black Gold”

23. _____ 24. _____ 25. _____ 26. _____
27. _____ 28. _____ 29. _____ 30. _____