

ST. THOMAS SCHOOL, SAHIBABAD
ANNUAL EXAMINATION (2025-26)
CLASS: VIII
SOCIAL SCIENCE (087)
WORKSHEET

TIME: 3 HOURS

M.M.80

General Instructions:

- There are 37 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.
- Question paper comprises five Sections – A, B, C, D and E.
- Section A – Question no. 1 to 20 are Objective Type Questions of 1 mark each.
- Section B – Question no. 21 to 24 are very short answer type questions, carrying 2 marks each.
- Section C – Question no. 25 to 29 are short answer type questions, carrying 3 marks each.
- Section D – Question no. 30 to 33 are long answer type question, carrying 5 marks each.
- Section E – Question no. 34 to 36 are case-based questions with three sub-questions and are of 4 marks each.
- Section F – Question no. 37 is map based, carrying 5 marks with two parts, 37.1 from History (2 marks) and 37.2 from Geography (3 marks).

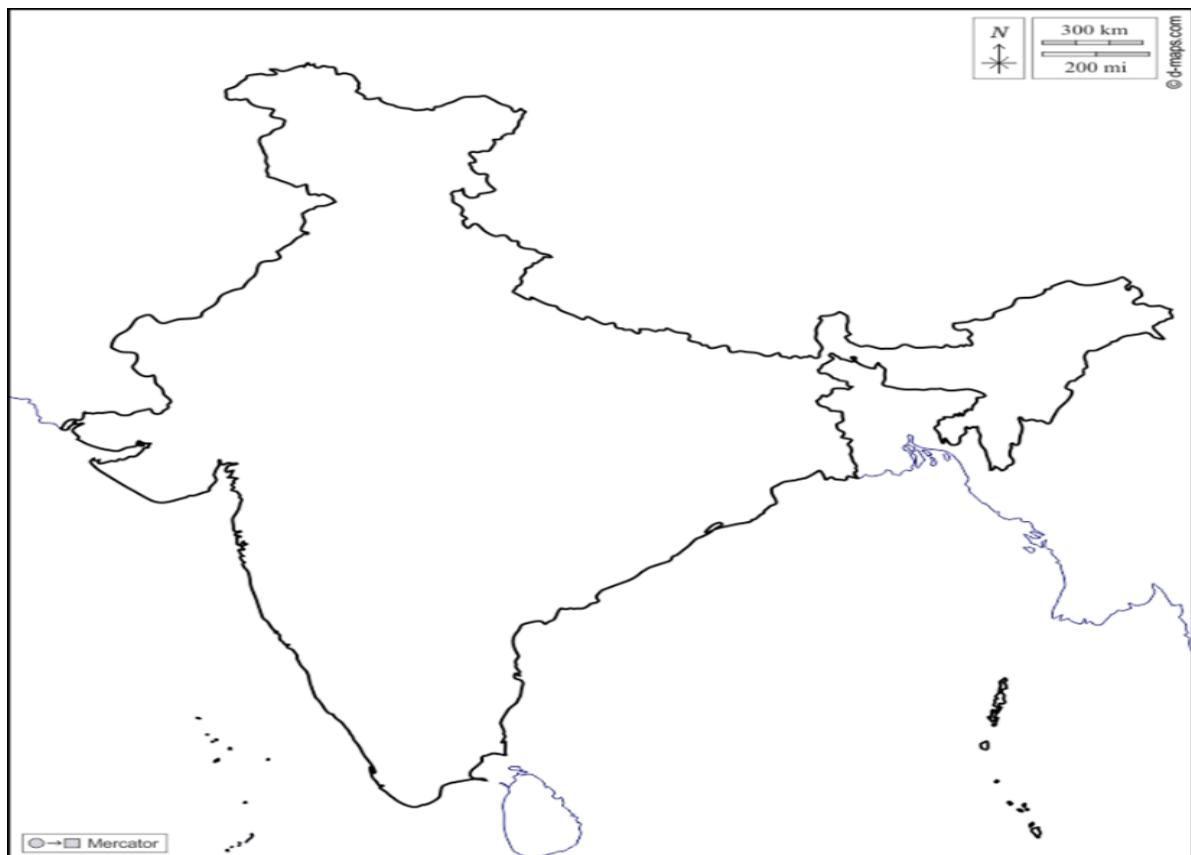
SECTION A
MCQs (1x20=20)

1.	William Adam's main task during his tours of Bengal and Bihar was to: (A) Introduce English education (B) Report on vernacular schools (C) Train new British teachers (D) Shut down pathshalas	1
2.	Which change occurred after 1854 in vernacular education? (A) Pathshalas became completely free (B) Pathshalas had to follow government rules to get grants (C) Teaching became entirely oral (D) Pathshalas were allowed total freedom	1
3.	What do you understand by manual scavenging? (A) Work of scavenging by machine (B) Work of scavenging by hand (C) Work of scavenging by power (D) None of these	1
4.	The Indian Constitution guarantees the Right to Education for all children between the ages of- (A) 6-18 years (B) 6-15 years (C) 6-14 years (D) 6-16 years	1
5.	Observe the picture given and identify the personality: (A) Shaukat Ali (B) M.A. Jinnah (C) Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan (D) Maulana Azad	

6.	Why is mixed farming common in areas with small land holdings? (A) It reduces dependence on a single source of income (B) It requires very large farms (C) It focuses only on growing cash crops (D) It is practiced only in deserts	1
7.	A farmer in Punjab is planning to grow cotton. Which conditions would BEST support this choice? (A) Cool climate and sandy soil (B) High temperature and black soil (C) Heavy rainfall and clay soil (D) Low temperature and mountain slopes	1
	The following question consists of two statements: Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read both statements carefully and choose the correct option from the choices given below:	
8.	Assertion (A): Bhagat Singh and B.K. Dutt threw a bomb in the Central Legislative Assembly to kill British officials. Reason (R): Their purpose was to “make the deaf hear” and protest against British exploitation. (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 (C) A is true, but R is false (D) A is false, but R is true	1
	SECTION B (VERY SHORT ANSWER BASED QUESTIONS (4X2=8)	
9.	Why did the Jallianwala Bagh massacre mark a turning point in the freedom struggle? OR How British economic policies created a sense of injustice among Indian people?	2
10.	Why is plantation farming considered a commercial type of farming?	2
11.	Write any two advantages of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006.	2
12.	A new iron and steel plant is being planned. Identify three vital locational factors needed and explain how each factor impacts the operation of the industry.	3
	SECTION C SHORT ANSWER BASED QUESTIONS (5X3=15)	
13.	Analyse how modern agricultural technologies (HYV seeds, irrigation, fertilisers, digital tools) have transformed farming in India. What challenges remain?	5
	SECTION D LONG ANSWER BASED QUESTIONS (4X5=20)	
14.	Read the source given below and answer the questions that follow: By education I mean an all-round drawing out of the best in child and man – body, mind and spirit. Literacy is not the end of education nor even the beginning. It is only one of the means whereby man and woman can be educated. Literacy in itself is not education. I would therefore begin the child’s education by teaching it a useful handicraft and enabling it to produce from the moment it begins its training ... I hold that the highest development of the mind and the soul is possible under such a system of education. Only every handicraft must be taught not merely mechanically as is done today but scientifically, i.e. the child should know the why and the wherefore of every process.	
14.1	Name the author of the above passage.	1

14.2	According to the excerpt, what is the purpose of teaching a handicraft from the beginning?	1
14.3	How does the author's view differ from the mechanical teaching system of his/her time?	2
SECTION -F MAP SKILL BASED QUESTIONS (2+3=5)		
15.1	On the given outline map of India, locate and label the following centres of the 1857 Revolt:	
	i. Faizabad ii. Delhi	2
15.2	On the given outline map of the world, locate and label the following:	3
	i. Leading Industrial Region in Western Europe ii. Industrial region in North Africa iii. Iron-producing area in Australia	

15.1



15.2

