

**SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER (2022-2023)**  
**HISTORY (027)**  
**CLASS-XII**

**Time Allowed:3hrs**

**Max. Marks: 80**

**General Instructions:**

**(i)** Question paper comprises five Sections – A, B, C, D and E. There are 34 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.

**(ii)Section A** – Question 1 to 21 are MCQs of 1 mark each.

**(iii) Section B** – Question no. 22 to 27 are Short Answer Type Questions, carrying 3 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 60-80 words.

**(iv) Section C** - Question no 28 to 30 are Long Answer Type Questions, carrying 8 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 300-350 words

**(v) Section D** – Question no.31 to 33 are Source based questions with three sub questions and are of 4 marks each


**(vi) Section-E** - Question no. 34 is Map based, carrying 5 marks that includes the identification and location of significant test items. Attach the map with the answer book.

**(vi)** There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in few questions. Only one of the choices in such questions have to be attempted.

**(viii)** In addition to this, separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary.

Section A	1X21=21
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1	<p><b>Identify the ruler of the Satvahana dynasty with the help of following information:</b></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ He claimed to be both a unique Brahmana and a destroyer of the pride of Kshatriyas.</li> <li>➤ He also claimed to have ensured that there was no intermarriage amongst members of the four varnas.</li> </ul> </div> <p><b>Options:</b>  A.Gotami-puta Siri-Vijaya-Satakani  B.Gotami-puta Siri Satakani  C.Gotami-puta sami-Siri-Yana-Satakani  D.Vasithi-puta (sami-)Siri Pulumayi</p>	1
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2	<p><b>Who among the following had issued the first gold coins in the first century CE?</b></p> <p>A.The Yaudheyas B.The Parthians C.The Guptas D.The Kushanas</p>	1										
3	<p>Match the following and select the correct option</p> <table><thead><tr><th>List-I <i>Harappan Site</i></th><th>List-II <i>Famous for</i></th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1. Lothal</td><td>a. Specialised centres for making shell objects</td></tr><tr><td>2. Kalibangan</td><td>b. Near sources of carnelian</td></tr><tr><td>3. Dholavira</td><td>c. Evidence of ploughed field found</td></tr><tr><td>4. Nageshwar</td><td>d. Water reservoirs found.</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>A. 1 - b, 2- c, 3 -d , 4- a B. 1 - a, 2- d, 3 -c , 4- b C. 1 - c, 2- b, 3 -d , 4- a D. 1 - d, 2- a, 3 -b , 4- c</p>	List-I <i>Harappan Site</i>	List-II <i>Famous for</i>	1. Lothal	a. Specialised centres for making shell objects	2. Kalibangan	b. Near sources of carnelian	3. Dholavira	c. Evidence of ploughed field found	4. Nageshwar	d. Water reservoirs found.	1
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4	<p><b>Which one of the following statements is the correct explanation of ‘Endogamy’?</b></p> <p>A. Marriage outside a kin group. B. Marriage within a kin group. C. A woman having several husbands. D.A man having several wives.</p>	1										
5	<p><b>Identify the given image from the following options:</b></p>  <p>Source -NCERT</p> <p><b>Options:</b></p> <p>A. Sculpture of a Gupta king B. Sculpture of a Maurya king C. Sculpture of a Kushana king D. Sculpture of a Chola king</p>	1										

	<p><b>NOTE : The following question is for the visually impaired candidates in lieu of Question number 5.</b></p> <p><b>Who among the following was the composer of Prayaga Prashasti?</b></p> <p>A. Banbhatta B. Charak C. Harisena D. Surdas</p>	
6	<p><i>"Be lamps unto yourselves as all of you must work out your own liberation."</i></p> <p><b>Identify the essence of the words of Buddha from the options given below:</b></p> <p>A. One should connect to inner being. B. One should live life of brahmacharya C. One should focus and express feelings D. One should spread religion everywhere.</p>	1
7	<p><b>Which one among the following dynasties built the Hiriya canal?</b></p> <p>A. Sangama dynasty B. Tuluva dynasty C. Saluva dynasty D. Aravidu dynasty</p>	1
8	<p><b>Fill in the blank :</b></p> <p>The local merchants of the Vijayanagara empire who participated in the trade of horses were called-----:</p> <p>A. Gajapati B. Mahanayakas C. Kudirai Chettis D. Narapati</p>	1
9	<p><b>Find out the correct chronological order of 'the Chishti Silsila' from the following options :</b></p> <p>I. Shaikh Nizamuddin Auliya II. Shaikh Fariduddin Ganj – Shakar III. Shaikh Nasiruddin Chiragh-i Delhi IV. Shaikh Muinuddin Sijzi</p> <p><b>Options:</b></p> <p>A. I, II, III &amp; IV B. II, III ,IV &amp; I C. III,II, I &amp; IV D. IV,II,I &amp; III</p>	1

10	<p><b>Given below are two statements, one labelled as Assertion(A) and the other labelled as Reason (R).</b></p> <p><b>Assertion (A):</b> Archaeologists and historians find Harappan script enigmatic <b>Reason (R):</b> The Harrapan script remains undeciphered till date.</p> <p>A.Both (A) and (R) are correct and (R)is the correct explanation of (A) B.Both (A) and (R) are correct, but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A) C.(A) is correct, but (R) is not correct D. (R) is correct, but (A) is not correct</p>	1																
11	<p><b>Complete the following with the correct option</b></p> <p>Kitab ul Hind : Al-Biruni , Rihla :..... :</p> <p>A. Ibn Hawqal B. Ibn Jubayr C. Ibn Qalaqis D. Ibn Battuta</p>	1																
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14	<p><b>Consider the following statements and select the correct from the following option:</b></p> <p>I. François Bernier was closely associated with the Prince Dara Shukoh. II.Bernier travelled to several parts of the country, and wrote accounts III.He dedicated his major writing to the king of France and Aurangzeb.</p>	1																

	Options A. II & III B. II & III C. I & II D. I & III	
15	<b>From which of the following regions Ahom rulers belonged to?</b> A. Delhi B. Orissa C. Ajmer D. Assam	1
16	<b>Which one of the following metallic coins was more prevalent during the Mughal Empire.?</b>  A. Gold B. Copper C. Bronze D. Silver	1
17	<b>Who among the following Introduced Permanent Settlement in Bengal?</b> A. Lord Cornwallis B. Lord Dalhousie C. Lord Irwin D. Lord Bentinck	1
18	<b>Which of the following options is correct?</b>  A. Gandhi ji started Quit India Mission in 1930. B. Gandhiji gave his first speech in Champaran C. Gandhiji worked as radical nationalist leader D. Gandhi considered G.K. Gokhale as his political mentor	1
19	<b>Find out from the following pairs which one is NOT correctly matched:</b>  A. Lord Wellesley: Subsidiary Alliance B. Lord Dalhousie: Doctrine of Lapse C. Lord Henry Hardinge: Introduced the Enfield rifles D. Lord Canning: Religious Disabilities Act	1
20	<b>Who among the following was the President of Constituent Assembly?</b> A. Jawahar Lal Nehru B. B.R. Ambedkar C. Rajendra Prasad D. Vallabh Bhai Patel	1

21	<p><b>Which one of the following languages was favored by Gandhiji as the national language?</b></p> <p>A. Hindi B. Urdu C. Hindustani D. English</p>	1
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SECTION B</b> <b>SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>3X6=18</b></span></p>		
22	<p>Describe any three sources to know about Harrapan civilization. OR Describe any three features of Harrapan drainage system.</p>	3
23	<p>“Magadha was the most powerful Mahajanpada ‘. Examine the statement</p>	3
24	<p>Analyze the concept of the Asiatic mode of production as stated by Karl Marx.</p>	3
25	<p>Describe the features of water resources of Vijayanagar empire.</p>	3
26	<p>“The power of the Jotedars was more effective than that of the zamindars. Justify the statement with suitable arguments.</p>	3
27	<p>“Art and literature helped in keeping alive the memory of 1857.” Explain with examples from Indian perspective. OR ‘Rumours and prophesies played an important role in the Revolt of 1857.’ Explain the statement with example</p>	3
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SECTION C</b> <b>Long Answer Type Questions</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>8x3=24</b></span></p>		
28	<p>Describe the familial relationship observed during Mahabharat era. OR Describe the Social implications of access to Resources during Mahabharat period</p>	8
29	<p>Analyze the importance and limitations of A-i-Akbari as a source of Akbar’s reign. OR Examine the ways in which panchayats and village headmen regulated Mughal rural society.</p>	8
30	<p>Explain the importance of Non-Cooperation Movement. OR Explain the significance of Civil Disobedience Movement</p>	8

	SECTION -D Source Based Questions	4x3=12	
31	<p>Read the following source carefully and answer the questions that follow:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sanchi in the nineteenth century</b></p> <p>The most wonderful ancient buildings in the state of Bhopal are at Sanchi Kanakhera, a small village under the brow of a hill some 20 miles north-east of Bhopal which we visited yesterday. We inspected the stone sculptures and statues of the Buddha and an ancient gateway ... The ruins appear to be the object of great interest to European gentlemen. Major Alexander Cunningham ... stayed several weeks in this neighbourhood and examined these ruins most carefully. He took drawings of the place, deciphered the inscription, and bored shafts down these domes. The results of his investigations were described by him in an English work ...</p> <p>FROM SHAHJAHAN BEGUM, NAWAB OF BHOPAL (ruled 1868-1901), <i>Taj- ul Iqbal Tarikh Bhopal (A History of Bhopal)</i>, translated by H.D. Barstow, 1876.</p> </div> <p>31.1) Why was Sanchi an interest to Alexander Cunningham?  31.2) How was Sanchi related with the Buddhism?  31.3) How did Shahjahan Begum conserve Sanchi stupa?</p>	4	1 1 2
32	<p>Read the following source carefully and answer the questions that follow:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Source 11</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Love for the Lord</b></p> <p>This is part of a song attributed to Mirabai:  I will build a funeral pyre of sandalwood and aloe;  Light it by your own hand  When I am burned away to cinders;  Smear this ash upon your limbs.  ... let flame be lost in flame.</p> <p>In another verse, she sings:  What can Mewar's ruler do to me?  If God is angry, all is lost,  But what can the Rana do?</p> </div> <p>32.1) Examine the reason of calling Meera Bai as an ascetic figure.  32.2) Analyze Meera Bai's relation with Mewar.  32.3) How was Mirabai unique among the poet-saints of the Bhakti movement.</p>	4	1 1 2

33	<p><b>Read the following source carefully and answer the questions that follow:</b></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>We say that it is our firm and solemn resolve to have an independent sovereign republic. India is bound to be sovereign, it is bound to be independent and it is bound to be a republic ... Now, some friends have raised the question: "Why have you not put in the word 'democratic' here.?" Well, I told them that it is conceivable, of course, that a republic may not be democratic but the whole of our past is witness to this fact that we stand for democratic institutions. Obviously we are aiming at democracy and nothing less than a democracy. What form of democracy, what shape it might take is another matter. The democracies of the present day, many of them in Europe and elsewhere, have played a great part in the world's progress. Yet it may be doubtful if those democracies may not have to change their shape somewhat before long if they have to remain completely democratic. We are not going just to copy, I hope, a certain democratic procedure or an institution of a so-called democratic country. We may improve upon it. In any event whatever system of government we may establish here must fit in with the temper of our people and be acceptable to them. We stand for democracy. It will be for this House to determine what shape to give to that democracy, the fullest democracy, I hope. The House will notice that in this Resolution, although we have not used the word "democratic" because we thought it is obvious that the word "republic" contains that word and we did not want to use unnecessary words and redundant words, but we have done something much more than using the word. We have given the content of democracy in this Resolution and not only the content of democracy but the content, if I may say so, of economic democracy in this Resolution. Others might take objection to this Resolution on the ground that we have not said that it should be a Socialist State. Well, I stand for Socialism and, I hope, India will stand for Socialism and that India will go towards the constitution of a Socialist State and I do believe that the whole world will have to go that way.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY DEBATES (CAD), VOL. I</i></p> </div> <p>33.1) Explain the term sovereignty</p> <p>33.2) How has democracy been related with sovereignty in the passage?</p> <p>33.3) How did the Constitutional framers highlighted the need of economic democracy?</p>	<p>4</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p>
	<p><b>SECTION E</b></p> <p><b>Map Based Question</b></p> <p><b>1x5=5</b></p>	
34	<p>(34.1) On the given political map of India, locate and label the following with appropriate symbols:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amravati – A Stupa</li> <li>Rakhigarhi- Indus Valley Site</li> <li>Agra-Territory Under the Control of Mughals</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Vijayanagar- Capital of Vijayanagar empire</p> <p>(34.2) On the same outline map, two places have been marked as 'A and B, as the centres of the Revolt of 1857 Identify them and write their correct names on the lines drawn near them.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>





**Note: The following questions are for the Visually Impaired Candidates only in lieu of Q.No.34**

( 34.1) Mention any two sites of the matured Harrapan period.

(34.2) Mention any one Territory under Mughal empire.

or

Name the capital of Vijayanagar empire.

(34.3) Mention any two centres of the Revolt of 1857.