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B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,
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First Semester

History — Core

Foundation Course — INTRODUCTION TO HISTORY

(For those who joined in July 2024 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer.

1. What is meant by 'History'?
 - (a) War
 - (b) Revolution
 - (c) Enquiry
 - (d) Rule
2. 'History makes men wise' - who said this statement?
 - (a) Seely
 - (b) Carlyle
 - (c) Bacon
 - (d) Toynbee

3. _____ and chronology are the two eyes of history.
- (a) Economics (b) Geography
(c) History (d) Sociology
4. Who said "History is past Politics"?
- (a) Hegel (b) John Seely
(c) Thomas Carlyl (d) Aristotle
5. The father of history is
- (a) Thucydies (b) Polibius
(c) Herodotus (d) Zeropen
6. Who said "History is class struggle"?
- (a) Hegel
(b) Toynbee
(c) Karl Marx
(d) Herodotus
7. _____ is a book written by Nilankanta Sastri.
- (a) Madurai Nayak
(b) History of Mughals
(c) Sicindram Temple
(d) History of Cholas

8. 'Numismatics' is a study of
- (a) Coins
 - (b) Inscriptions
 - (c) Literature
 - (d) Monuments
9. Trustworthiness of the document is determined by _____
- (a) external criticism
 - (b) internal criticism
 - (c) footnotes
 - (d) bibliography
10. What is exposition in research?
- (a) Collection
 - (b) Synthesis
 - (c) Writing the Thesis
 - (d) Translation

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Define the meaning of History.

Or

- (b) Examine the scope of History.

12. (a) Describe the role of Religion in History.

Or

(b) Geography and chronology are the two eyes of history – Discuss.

13. (a) Examine the works of Leopold Von Ranke.

Or

(b) Estimate the book "City of God".

14. (a) Enumerate subaltern history of Ranajit Guha.

Or

(b) Describe the historical services of K.K. Pillai.

15. (a) Identify the important archaeological sources of History.

Or

(b) List out the various forms of Footnotes.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Describe the various definitions of History.

Or

(b) Identify the uses and abuses of history.

17. (a) Mention the different kinds of History.

Or

(b) "History is a Science, no less and no more"—
Explain.

18. (a) Discuss Antonio Gramsci concept of History.

Or

(b) Examine the historical works of Michal Foucault.

19. (a) Estimate the merits of R.S. Sharma's historical works.

Or

(b) Illustrate the contribution of K. Rajayyan to South Indian Historiography.

20. (a) How far archival records useful in writing history?

Or

(b) Mention the different types of sources which are useful for writing history.
