

2017

(5th Semester)

HISTORY

SEVENTH PAPER

(Early Modern Europe)

(Pre-Revised)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The questions are of equal value

Answer all questions

1. Who were the Ottomans? How did they conquer Constantinople and what were the bases of their power?

Or

How did Europe encounter the new world?

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(Turn Over)

2. Why did Renaissance occur in Italy?

Or

Why and how did England become a Protestant country?

3. The long century of War between 1540 and 1660 decisively altered the balance of power among the major Kingdoms of Western Europe. Examine with reference to Spain and France.

Or

What were the causes of the English Civil War? Why were the consequences considered 'radical' among all the revolts that shocked the mid-17th century Europe?

4. Evaluate the Absolutist Rule of Peter I and Catherine the Great in transforming the Russian Empire.

Or

What were the causes of the French Revolution?

5. Evaluate the emergence of natural philosophy in the 17th century with reference to Bacon and Descartes.

Or

How would you assess the contributions of Mary Wollstonecraft and Jean-Jacques Rousseau towards understanding nature, gender and enlightenment radicalism?

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(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION—A

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided : 1×10=10

1. Timur the Lame died in 1405 on his way to invade

(a) Anatolia ()

(b) The Balkans ()

(c) China ()

(d) Persia ()

2. Which European city became a significant market for enslaved Africans by 1450?

(a) Lisbon ()

(b) Marseilles ()

(c) Genoa ()

(d) Cadiz ()

3. Which of the following statements about Lorenzo Valla is correct?

(a) He detested civic humans like Bruni and Alberti. ()

(b) He espoused the ideas of republican politics. ()

(c) He proved the Donation of Constantine to be a medieval forgery. ()

(d) He proved the Notes on the *New Testament* to be a forgery. ()

4. Michelangelo painted all the following Sistine Chapel panels 1508-1512, except

(a) The Last Judgement ()

(b) The Creation of Adam ()

(c) The Flood ()

(d) The Monastery ()

5. The greatest single cause of warfare in Europe between 1540 and 1660 was

- (a) religious ()
- (b) political ()
- (c) nationalism ()
- (d) economic ()

6. Which country became the dominant power on the continent following the Peace of Westphalia?

- (a) Spain ()
- (b) Italy ()
- (c) Germany ()
- (d) France ()

7. Who called himself the 'Sun King'?

- (a) Peter the Great ()
- (b) Frederick the Great ()
- (c) Louis XIV ()
- (d) Joseph I ()

8. On April 20, 1792, the National Assembly declared War on

(a) Russia ()

(b) Prussia ()

(c) Austria and Prussia ()

(d) Italy ()

9. Newton presented his laws of universal gravitation in

(a) *Principia Mathematica* ()

(b) *General Scholium* ()

(c) *Novum Organum* ()

(d) None of the above ()

10. The 'Holy Trinity' of the 18th century philosophes consisted of

(a) Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau ()

(b) Descartes, Pascal and Montaigne ()

(c) Bacon, Locke and Newton ()

(d) None of them ()

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SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Answer any *five* of the following questions in brief : 3×5=15

1. What advantages did the Genoese have on the Catalans and Venetians in the overseas exploration of the 15th and 16th centuries?

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2. What impact did the mining of Silver have on the native population of Central and South America?

Answer any five of the following questions in brief. 3x5=15

1. What advantages did the Genoese have on the Catalans and Venetians in the overseas exploration of the 15th and 16th centuries?

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3. What were considered to be the masterpieces of Leonardo da Vinci?

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4. How did Martin Luther gain insight into the problems of the justice of God?

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5. Write a note on the German Wars of Religion.

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6. Why did Spain's economy become weak during the 17th century?

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7. What was glorious and inglorious about the 'Glorious Revolution' ?

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8. Who were the Jacobins?

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9. What was the Copernican Revolution about?

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10. Write a note on the nature of Encyclopaedia.

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