

**ICSE Board**  
**Class VI**  
**History & Civics**  
**Sample Paper - 2**

**Time: 2 hrs**

**Total Marks: 80**

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**General Instructions:**

1. Answers to this paper must be written on the paper provided separately.
  2. You will not be allowed to write during the first 15 minutes. This time is to be spent in reading the question paper.
  3. The time given at the head of the paper is the time allotted for writing the answers.
  4. Attempt all questions from Part I (History) and from Part II (Civics).
  5. The intended marks of questions or parts of questions are given in brackets [ ].
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**PART - I: History**

**Question 1**

Fill in the Blanks:

[10]

- a) The Minoan Civilisation developed on the island of \_\_\_\_\_.
- b) Buddha's original name was \_\_\_\_\_.
- c) The Mesopotamian civilisation lay between the rivers \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- d) One of the first forms of art was \_\_\_\_\_ pottery.
- e) The Aryans renamed Sapta Sindhu—the Punjab region of the seven rivers as \_\_\_\_\_.
- f) The famous \_\_\_\_\_ War completely changed Ashoka's life.
- g) The Cholas excelled in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ trade.
- h) The Indus Valley Civilisation flourished between 2500 BCE and \_\_\_\_\_ BCE.
- i) \_\_\_\_\_ was the last ruler of the Nanda dynasty.
- j) Numismatics is the study of \_\_\_\_\_.

## Question 2

Match the following:

[10]

Column A	Column B
(a) BCE	(1) Regarded as two-thirds god and one-third human
(b) Valley of Tomb of Kings	(2) Chinese architecture
(c) Iron Age	(3) Mycenaeans
(d) Citadel	(4) Golden City
(e) Gilgamesh	(5) World Heritage Site
(f) Pagodas	(6) Shakuntalam
(g) Kanchipuram	(7) Before Common Era
(h) Kalidasa	(8) Magadha
(i) Trojan War	(9) Developed cities and states
(j) Bimbisara	(10) Harappan cities

## Question 3

Choose the correct answer:

[10]

(a) The hieroglyphic script is also called

- i. Blazed writing
- ii. Sacred writing
- iii. Cursed writing
- iv. Holy writing

(b) The Allahabad pillar inscription was written by Samudragupta's court poet

- i. Shudraka
- ii. Vasantasena
- iii. Chandrasena
- iv. Harisena

(c) How many mahajanapadas are mentioned in the Buddhist, Jain and Vedic literature of the 6<sup>th</sup> century BCE?

- i. 8
- ii. 32
- iii. 16
- iv. 23

(d) The first stage of human civilisation is known as the Old Stone Age or the

- i. Neolithic Age
- ii. Chalcolithic Age
- iii. Mesolithic Age
- iv. Palaeolithic Age

- (e)** History is the story of human growth from barbarism to
- i. Apocalypse
  - ii. Peasantry
  - iii. Hegemony
  - iv. Civilisation
- (f)** In Greek literature, the long poems which describe the deeds of gods and heroic people are called
- i. Odysseus
  - ii. Epics
  - iii. Haikus
  - iv. Villanelle
- (g)** The Great Wall of China was built during the reign of
- i. Huan Shuang
  - ii. Shi Huangdi
  - iii. Cao Cao
  - iv. Shi Qi
- (h)** The Kingdom of Kuru was situated near the modern city of
- i. Srinagar
  - ii. Panipat
  - iii. Delhi
  - iv. Patna
- (i)** “Thousands of rulers have ruled us, but the name of Ashoka shines and shines almost alone, like a star.” This statement was made by
- i. R.C. Majumdar
  - ii. Boria Majumdar
  - iii. D.N. Jha
  - iv. D.D. Kosambi
- (j)** The states of Shakyas and Lichchavis were
- i. Socialist city-states
  - ii. Totalitarian states
  - iii. Democratic republics
  - iv. Constitutional monarchies

#### Question 4

Answer any five of the following questions:

[25]

- a) Write a short note on the town planning in the Mesopotamian Civilisation.
- b) What were the reasons behind the decline of the Mauryan Empire?
- c) How do inscriptions and edicts serve as sources of history?
- d) Explain any five important features of the Old Stone Age.
- e) Elaborate on any three important achievements of the Egyptian Civilisation.
- f) Explain the condition of art and architecture in the Greek Classical Civilisation.
- g) What was the condition of society in the Chinese Civilisation?
- h) Why did Buddhism decline in India?

#### Question 5

Picture Study:

[05]



- i) Identify the philosopher in the picture.
- ii) Write a short note on religion in the Chinese Civilisation.
- iii) Write a short note on Confucianism.

## PART - II: Civics

### Question 1

Fill in the Blanks:

[05]

- a) Appointed members of the Municipal Corporation who are popular and respected citizens of the city are known as \_\_\_\_\_.
- b) Our Indian identity is formed out of a \_\_\_\_\_ blend of different cultures.
- c) The history of civics dates back to the earliest theories of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- d) Damaging museums and its property is a \_\_\_\_\_ offence.
- e) \_\_\_\_\_ make laws to regulate and control the activities of the people.

### Question 2

Choose the correct answer:

[05]

- a) Which of the following plays an important role in moulding a person's personality and inculcating moral values in them?
  - i. Nation
  - ii. Family
  - iii. Government
  - iv. Friends
- b) Who has the right to use public property?
  - i. Individuals who own it
  - ii. Government
  - iii. All citizens of the country
  - iv. People staying close to that public property
- c) Which city gets an annual rainfall of 11,500 mm and yet suffers from water scarcity?
  - i. Mapusa
  - ii. Bhogavi
  - iii. Nilgiris
  - iv. Cherrapunji
- d) Which area is administered by a municipality?
  - i. Cities having a population of less than 1000
  - ii. Cities having a population between 2000 to 10,000
  - iii. Cities having a population between 20,000 to 5,00,000
  - iv. Cities having a population of more than 20,00,000

e) How many dialects are spoken in India?

- i. 1652
- ii. 1985
- iii. 1489
- iv. 2513

**Question 3**

Answer any two of the following questions:

[10]

- a) What are the recent changes visible in our community life?
- b) What is diversity? Why is India described as ‘the land of diversity’?
- c) How does a family help an individual?

