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Periodic Test - III (R -2) (2025 – 2026)

Class: VIII ()

MM: 20

Subject: Social Science

Time: 1 Hr.

Name: _____

Roll No.: _____

General Instructions: All questions are compulsory and marks are indicated in front of each question:

I. Tick the correct answers.

(1x8=8)

1. In what way did the Christian missionaries help the British East India Company? From the statements given below, choose the one that is not TRUE with respect to the missionaries.

- (a) The Christian missionaries functioned freely and even owned land and property.
- (b) The Christian missionaries did not encourage education of women.
- (c) An Indian converted to Christianity could inherit the property of ancestors
- (d) The missionaries established schools, particularly for lower castes and tribal groups

Q2. What was the new amendment in the law in 1856 passed by the East India Company?

- (a) Every new person who took up employment in the Company's army had to agree to serve overseas if required.
- (b) Every new person who took up employment in the Company's army will be paid only a low salary
- (c) Every new person who took up employment in the Company's army had to collect the revenues set by the British.
- (d) Every new person who took up employment in the Company's army had to pay a tax.

Q3. Pick up the correct order from the given set of statements.

- (i) Other soldiers stationed at Meerut revolted .
- (ii) A group of soldiers mutinied and walked out of their military barracks
- (iii) The released soldiers kill the British officers.
- (iv) The soldiers were dismissed and sentenced to 10 years imprisonment for refusing to use the greased cartridges.

- (a) (ii), (iv), (iii), (i)
- (b) (i), (ii), (iv), (iii)
- (c) (iii), (iv), (i), (ii)
- (d) (ii), (iv), (i), (iii)

Q4. Why did the countryside peasants and zamindars resent the British ?

- (a) They resented the British colonization .
- (b) They resented the Succession policy of the British
- (c) They resented the racial discrimination policy of the British by denying high rank jobs to Indians
- (d) They resented high taxes and the rigid methods of revenue collection and many lost the lands to the money lenders.

Q5. Name the able general of Nana Saheb who led the revolt in Jhansi.

- (a) Maulvi Ahmadullah
- (b) Tantia Tope
- (c) Bahadur Shah Zafar
- (d) Mangal Pandey

Q6. What did Lord Dalhousie announce regarding the death of King Bahadur Shah Zafar?

- (a) The British set fire to the royal palace and killed all the family members.
- (b) The family of the king would be shifted out of the Red Fort and given another place to live in.
- (c) The family members were imprisoned and Company annexed the state of Delhi
- (d) The family can continue staying in Red Fort and his son would be crowned as the next king

Q7. One of the last territory to be annexed in 1856 by Lord Dalhousie

- a) Awadh
- b) Kanpur
- c) Jhansi
- d) Bihar

Q8. In 1856, which Governor General decided that Bahadur Shah Zafar will be the last Mughal King and none of his descendants would be recognized as Kings hereafter?

- (a) Lord Cornwallis
- (b) Lord Canning
- (c) Warren Hastings
- (d) William Bentick

III. Answer the following Questions:

Q9. What was the demand of Rani Lakshmibai of Jhansi that was refused by the British? (2)

Q10. What objections did the sepoys have to the new cartridges that they were asked to use? (2)

Q11. How did the last Mughal emperor live the last years of his life? (2)

Q12. In what ways did the British change their policies as a result of the rebellion of 1857? (3)

Q13. What could be the reasons for the confidence of the British rulers about their position in India before May 1857? (3)

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