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Second Semester

History

Elective — HISTORY OF THE ARABS FROM 570 TO  
1258 A.D.

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ was the leader of Mecca from  
A.D. 520 – 579.

- (a) Abdul Muttalib      (b) Hashim  
(c) Mohammad        (d) Abdulla

2. Koreishi was the famous trading family in
- (a) Medina                      (b) Mecca  
(c) Yeman                        (d) Syria
3. During the time of \_\_\_\_\_, Muslims established their naval power.
- (a) Uthman                      (b) Ali  
(c) Umar                         (d) Mohammad
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Caliph translated the capital of Arabia from Medina to Kufah.
- (a) Umar                         (b) Uthman  
(c) Ali                             (d) AbuBakr.
5. Umayyad dynasty was founded by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Ali                             (b) Sulaiman  
(c) Yazid                        (d) Muawiyah
6. The last ruler of the Umayyad was
- (a) Waled II                      (b) Marwan II  
(c) Muawiyah II                (d) Sulaiman

7. The last ruler of the Abbasid Dynasty
- (a) Al Mustasim            (b) Al Mansoor  
(c) Al Amir                (d) Hisham III
8. \_\_\_\_\_ was the famous court poet of Baghdad.
- (a) Al Buhtur                (b) Abu Tamman  
(c) Al Jahshiyari            (d) Abu-al-Abahiyah.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ was the first influential jurist of Islam.
- (a) Al Hanifa  
(b) Ibn Qutaybah  
(c) Mohammad Ibn Dinawari  
(d) Mohammed Ibn Jahir
10. The reign of \_\_\_\_\_ is called as the golden age of the Fatimids.
- (a) Al Aziz                    (b) Al Faiz  
(c) Al Nuizz                  (d) Al Amir

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Describe the geographical features of Arabia.

Or

- (b) Write a note on the Jahiliya period in Arabia.

12. (a) Bring out the character of Abu Bakr.

Or

- (b) Mention the social reforms of Caliph Omar.

13. (a) Analyse the causes of the battle of Kerbala.

Or

- (b) Trace out the achievements of Abdul Malik.

14. (a) Bring out the factors which led to the fall of Abbasids.

Or

- (b) State the important features of Abbasid Administration.

15. (a) Bring out the importance of Cairo.

Or

(b) Point out the glory of Cordova during the Umayyad rule of Spain.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Explain the life and teachings of Mohammad the Prophet.

Or

(b) Give an account of the socio-religious condition of Arabia before Prophet Mohammad.

17. (a) Estimate the services of Uthman.

Or

(b) Explain the rule of Orthodox Caliphs.

18. (a) Describe the role played by Muawiah to establish the Umayyad dynasty and also mention his achievements.

Or

- (b) Give an account of the administration and social condition under the Umayyads.

19. (a) Estimate Harun-al-Rashid as a ruler.

Or

- (b) Explain the scientific and literary progress of the Abbasids.

20. (a) How was Islam rooted and developed in Spain?

Or

- (b) Estimate the Arabian contribution to European Civilization.