

The City School

Unified Midyear Examinations 2018-19



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HISTORY
CLASS 6

December 2018
1 hour 30 minutes

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

- ❖ Write your School name and Index number in the spaces provided above.
- ❖ Carefully read and follow the instructions given for each Question.
- ❖ Answer **all** questions from **Section A & B**.
- ❖ Write your answers in the provided spaces **only**. **DO NOT** write outside the provided space.
- ❖ Check your answers before you return the Question Paper to the invigilator.
- ❖ Marks for each section are shown below.

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	Section A: 20 Marks			Section B: 30 Marks			
Questions	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Max Marks	05	10	05	10	10	10	50
Marks obtained							

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Invigilated by: _____ Marked by: _____ Rechecked by: _____

Section A	Total Marks 20
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Q.1 Fill in the following blanks using the word bank below. [/5]

Spinning	harvesting	selling	granaries	agriculturists
irrigation	sowing	weaving	hunters	measuring

The Indus Valley people were highly skilled _____. They used _____ techniques and had large _____ or storehouses to store the surplus of crops gathered from the surrounding areas. Cotton was grown as a crop and it led to the _____ and _____ of cotton in which the Indus Valley people again seem to be the world's pioneers.

An excerpt from Understanding History by Ismat Riaz

Q.2 Look at the given sources carefully and answer the following questions. [10]

Source A [5]

Qin Dynasty was the first unified, multi-national and power-centralized state in the Chinese history. It lasted from 221 BC to 207 BC. Although surviving only for a short time, the dynasty held an important role in Chinese history and it exerted great influence on the following dynasties.

Shi Huangdi founded the dynasty but he was not a very popular ruler as he was too strict and severe towards his subjects. He did not allow any sort of discussion about the government and ordered the destruction of all books including Confucius' books.

An excerpt from Understanding History– Book 1 by Ismat Riaz

a. For how many years did the Qin Dynasty last? [/1]

b. What kind of ruler was Shi Huangdi? How can you tell? [/2]

- c. Why did Shi Huangdi order to destroy the books, especially of the ones written by Confucius? [/2]

Source B

[5]



Great Wall of China

- a. On what kind of terrain was the Great wall constructed? [/1]

- b. Do you think the areas where the wall was constructed had a large population? Give reasons to support your answer. [/2]

c. Why do you think the Chinese needed to build such a thick and long wall? [/1]

d. Source B shows watchtowers on the wall. What could have been their purpose? [/1]

Q.3 Identify the following historical articles and time periods with the help of given clues. [/5]

a. I am an ancient civilization and my script is called cuneiform. Who am I?

b. I am a form of writing written on papyrus as well as the temple and pyramid walls. Who am I?

c. I am a dynasty which ruled for the longest time and lasted for 800 years. Who am I?

d. I am a book which is a primary source of information about the system of government and politics in Mauryan India. Who am I?

e. I am the oldest site of the Indus Valley Civilization. Who am I?

Attempt all questions in this section.

Q.4.a Describe the important features of a civilization. [/4]

b. Explain the importance of rivers to the development and growth of ancient civilizations with reference to any two civilizations. [/6]

Q.5.a Who developed the caste system in India? Name the main castes based on the occupations and hierarchical order. []/4]

b. Jainism and Buddhism brought reform in Hindu Religion. Explain the development of both the religions. []/6]

Q.6.a Why did Samudra Gupta become the most famous ruler of the Gupta Era? [/4]

b. Explain the efforts made by Ashoka and Harsha Vardhana with reference to the welfare of their people? [/6]
