



History

Question Bank

Class VII

Section A

Q1. Source based questions

[10m]

1a. Source A



Caliph Harun al-Rashid

- ❖ To which dynasty Caliph Harun al-Rashid belonged? /1
- ❖ How did Baghdad develop under him? /4

b. Source B

Islamic scientists laid the foundation of modern chemistry. Part of their work, testing the purity of metals and chemicals, was connected with studies in alchemy. There was often no difference in between the chemists and alchemists. What were alchemists? They were chemists who search for ways to convert common metals like lead or copper into valuable metals such as silver and gold. Although there was a serious arguments on the work of alchemists but this study led to the new discoveries and advancements in the field of chemistry, leading the scientists to discover new minerals, acids and compounds. Also developed some new chemical processes like distillation and crystallization.

- ❖ According to the Source B, why are the Islamic scientists said to be the founder of modern chemistry? /2
- ❖ How can you prove that the study of alchemy benefitted the Islamic scientists? /3

1a. Source A



Mohammad Bin Qasim in Sindh

- ❖ According to source A, what were the reasons of Mohammad Bin Qasim attack on Sindh? /1
- ❖ “Mohammad Bin Qasim established the Arab rule in Sindh.” Why was he remembered by the people of Sindh? /4

b. Source B

“Sultan Ghiyas-ud-din Tughlaq had been away from Delhi on a campaign. On his return, he sent a message to his son Mohammad, asking him to build a palace. This Mohammad did, having it built of wood in just three days. Mohammad had persuaded the architect that the steps approaching the palace should be wide enough so that the elephants could use them in order to salute the Sultan, but that the building should be so made that when an elephant came near it, it should fall down.”

- ❖ Who was Mohammad bin Tughluq? /2
- ❖ According to the given source, how was the construction of the building done? /2
- ❖ Why do you think, Prince Mohammad asked the architect to build such palace? /1

Section B

- Q1a. What do you know about the Dome of the Rock? /4
b. "Islam spread rapidly from during the years 632-661." Discuss the reasons for this
- Q2a. What are Crusades? /4
b. "Muslim culture influenced Spain." Justify the given statement quoting relevant examples. /6
- Q3a. What is a magic square? /4
b. Discuss the achievements of Muslim scientists in the field of optics by giving references. /6
- Q4a. Who are said to be polymath scholars? /4
b. Illustrate in detail the works of the Islamic mathematicians. /6
- Q5a. Who was King Harsha? /4
b. Discuss the Arab raids in Baluchistan and Makran regions in detail. /6
- Q6a. How did Mohammad Ghuri come to power in India? /4
b. Elaborate the campaigns of Mahmud the idol-breaker. /6
- Q7a. Who was Qutb-ud-din Aibek? /4
b. Discribe the character of Sultan Mohamad. /6
- Q8a. What do you know about the battles between Balban and Mongols? /4
b. Analyze the reasons that ends the Delhi Sultanate? /6