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## SOCIAL HISTORY OF ENGLAND

### UNIT-I

#### CHOOSE THE BEST ANSWER:

1. The term “ Renaissance” refers to a \_\_\_\_\_movement
  - a .religious
  - b. cultural
  - c. social
  - d. literature
2. \_\_\_\_\_were the first Renaissance humanists.
  - a. Petrarch and Boccaccio
  - b. Dante and Plutarch
  - c. Erasmus and Colet
  - d. Petrarch and Plutarch
3. \_\_\_\_\_was a Florentine painter.
  - a .Colet
  - b. Petrarch
  - c. Boccaccio
  - d. Giotto
4. William Caxton brought the printing press to England in \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a.1450
  - b.1476
  - c.1480
  - d.1486
5. During the age of Renaissance \_\_\_\_\_became “ a nest of singing birds “
  - a. France
  - b. Germany
  - c. French
  - d. England
6. Reformation is a \_\_\_\_\_ movement
  - a. Economic
  - b. social
  - c. Religious
  - d. culture
7. The Religious movement of 1500s led to Protestantism is known as \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Reformation
  - b. Renaissance
  - c. Restoration
  - d. Revolution
8. Martin Luther was a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Italian prince

- b. German monk
  - c. France king
  - d .Priest in church of Rome
9. John Calvin ,the founder of Calvinism ,hailed from\_\_\_\_\_
- a. England
  - b. France
  - c. Germany
  - d. Italy
10. Reformation parliament was summoned by \_\_\_\_\_
- a . king Edward VI
  - b . King Henry VII
  - c . King Henry VIII
  - D. King Edward IV

**Answer:**(1-b,2-a,3-d,4-b,5-d,6-c,7-a,8-b,9-b,10-c)

**SHORT QUESTIONS:**

1. Define Renaissance
2. What are the two important inventions of the renaissance period?
3. What was the result of reformation?
4. Who opposed the supremacy of the king?
5. Write a note on the Royalists
6. Why were the puritans so called?
7. describe the end of the Spanish Armada
8. When and by whom was the first permanent theatre built?
9. What were the Indian goods that were in demand in the English market?
10. How was England expanded in Stuart age?

**PARAGRAPH QUESTIONS:**

1. Write short notes on Utopia.
2. What were the important inventions and discoveries during the period of Renaissance?
3. What were the causes for the Reformation?
4. Write short notes on the monks of the fifteenth century.
5. Write short notes on the long parliament.
6. Who are the Baptists?
7. What did Henry VIII do to develop the English Navy?
8. Write short notes on the Elizabethan theatres.
9. What were the social reforms introduced by William Bentinck?
10. What are the causes of the colonization?

### ESSAY QUESTIONS:

1. Write an essay on the Renaissance in England
2. Write an essay on the Reformation
3. Give a detailed account on the dissolution of monasteries
4. Describe the glorious revolution
5. Write an essay on the religion of England
6. Discuss the Spanish Armada
7. Write an account on the Elizabethan theatre
8. Write an essay on the east India company
9. Write an essay on the colonial expansion of England
10. Give an account of the Reformation and the counter-Reformation.

### UNIT II

#### CHOOSE THE BEST ANSWER:

1. The civil war that broke out in \_\_\_\_\_ between Charles I and the parliamentarians created a vertical split in the country.  
a. 1642  
b. 1462  
c. 1624  
d. 1664
2. the king Charles I was supported by \_\_\_\_\_  
a. Cavaliers or Royalists  
b. Round heads  
c. flatheads  
d. protestants
3. In the course of the civil war ,king Charles I was \_\_\_\_\_ in the initial stage  
a. Defeated  
b. victorious  
c. struggling hard  
d. afraid
4. Oliver Cromwell's followers were called \_\_\_\_\_  
a. Iron sides  
b. strong sides  
c. falcons  
d. hawkers
5. The civil war marked the \_\_\_\_\_ of political parties in England  
a. Destruction  
b. Origin  
c. Devastation  
d. Abolition



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6. There were only about \_\_\_\_\_ people in restoration England
- 2 million
  - 3 million
  - 4 million
  - 5 million
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ were the heads of village communities in Restoration England
- Squares
  - Clergymen
  - Noblemen
  - able men
8. In restoration England men of all classes delighted in \_\_\_\_\_ sports
- non-cruel
  - smooth
  - non-violent
  - rough
9. In restoration England ,the great plague of London broke out in \_\_\_\_\_
- 1565
  - 1665
  - 1655
  - 1645
10. The closed Restoration theatre in Cromwell's reign were reopened in \_\_\_\_\_ time
- Charles I's
  - Charles II's
  - Charles III's
  - Charles IV's

**Answers**(1-a,2-a,3-b,4-a,5-b,6-d,7-a,8-d,9-b,10-b)

**SHORT QUESTIONS:**

- What was the cause for the cold war between James I and the parliament?
- Write a note on Charles I
- What is petition of Rights?
- Who were the puritans?
- What is episcopacy?
- When was the puritan rule put an end to?
- What was the condition of the Roman Catholics?
- Name the two political parties of the Restoration era
- What was the changed name of the Whigs?
- Name the parties that are powerful at present in England.

**PARAGRAPH QUESTIONS:**

1. Write a note on the Authorized version of the Bible
2. Write a note on ship-money
3. Write a short notes on the long parliament
4. What were the social changes brought about by the spread of Puritanism?
5. Write short notes on the repressive policy of James I
6. How did Puritanism affect the ordinary life of the people ?
7. Write short notes on Whigs and Tories
8. Write short notes on the royal society
9. Write short notes on the exclusion Bill
10. Write short notes on the Glorious Revolution

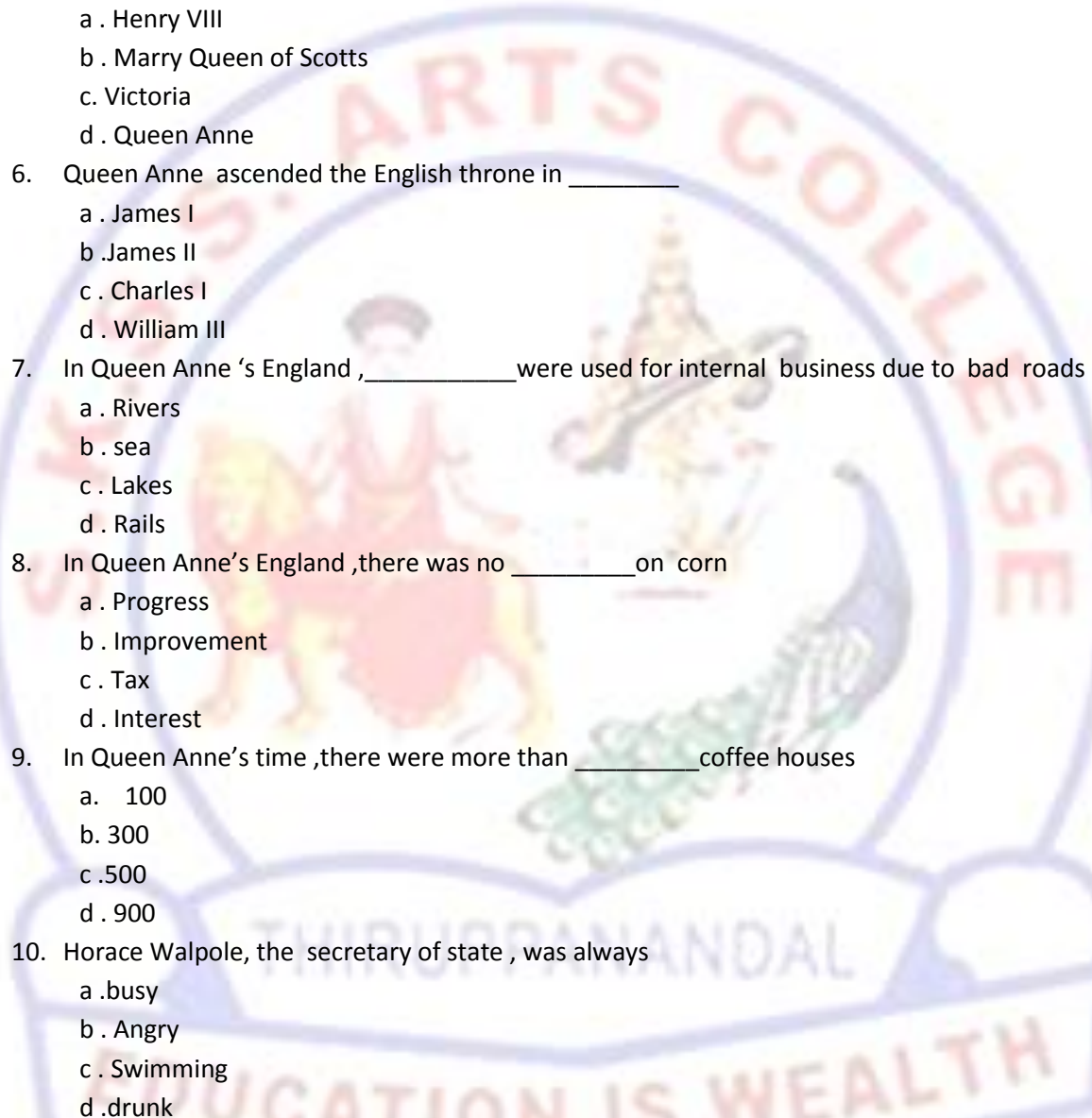
**ESSAY TYPE QUESTIONS:**

1. Write an essay on the civil war and its social significance
2. Give an account on the struggle between the crown and the parliament
3. Write an essay on the Authorized version of the Bible
4. Write Detailed essay on Puritanism
5. Write an essay the puritan contribution to English literature
6. How did Puritanism affect the ordinary life of the people? Explain
7. Write an essay on Restoration England
8. Write an account on the sports and pastimes of the Restoration period
9. Write an essay on the Origin and growth of the political parties in England
10. Write a detailed note on the Tories and Whigs

**Unit –III**

**CHOOSE THE BEST ANSWER:**

1. Elizabeth I was the last of \_\_\_\_\_ dynasty
  - a . Tudor
  - b . York
  - c . Lancashire
  - d . Hanoverian
2. The supporters of Queen Elizabeth I were known as \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Republicans
  - b. Reformists
  - c . Anglicans
  - d . Revolutionist
3. Queen Elizabeth I was a \_\_\_\_\_ by faith
  - a . Catholics
  - b . Protestant
  - c . Jew
  - d . Terror

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4. Elizabeth I Established \_\_\_\_\_ in 1600  
a . Black friar theatre  
b . East India Company  
c . New England  
d . Church
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Hatched a plot against Queen Elizabeth I  
a . Henry VIII  
b . Marry Queen of Scots  
c . Victoria  
d . Queen Anne
6. Queen Anne ascended the English throne in \_\_\_\_\_  
a . James I  
b . James II  
c . Charles I  
d . William III
7. In Queen Anne 's England , \_\_\_\_\_ were used for internal business due to bad roads  
a . Rivers  
b . sea  
c . Lakes  
d . Rails
8. In Queen Anne's England ,there was no \_\_\_\_\_ on corn  
a . Progress  
b . Improvement  
c . Tax  
d . Interest
9. In Queen Anne's time ,there were more than \_\_\_\_\_ coffee houses  
a . 100  
b . 300  
c . 500  
d . 900
10. Horace Walpole, the secretary of state , was always  
a . busy  
b . Angry  
c . Swimming  
d . drunk

**ANSWERS :** (1-a, 2-b, 3-b, 4-b ,5-b ,6-d ,7-a,8-c,9-c,10-d)

**Short Questions:**

1. Why was Queen Anne's period called a golden age?
2. From where was coffee introduced in to Europe?
3. Write a note on James, the old pretender.

4. When were England and Scotland united?
5. What was the advantage of rotation of crops?
6. What does the term Revolution mean?
7. Who brought about the religious revival in the 18<sup>th</sup> century?
8. What was the step taken to improve English legal system?
9. What was the stamp act?
10. Write a note on the situation of the Irish Catholics.

**PARAGRAPH QUESTIONS:**

1. what were the social vices of the day.
2. Write short notes on the coffee house Garway
3. What were the improvements brought about by the union in the lives of the Scottish people?
4. What are the causes for the Agrarian Revolution?
5. What were the causes for the Industrial Revolution?
6. Write short notes on prison Reforms.
7. What were the causes for the defeat of England in the American war?
8. Write short notes on the act of Union.
9. Describe the course of the French Revolution.
10. Write short notes on chartist movement.

**ESSAY TYPE QUESTIONS:**

1. Write an essay on the golden age of Queen Anne.
2. Describe the coffee houses in London.
3. Give a detailed account on the union of England and Scotland.
4. Explain the industrial Revolution.
5. Write an essay on the Methodist movement .
6. Give an account on the Humanitarian movements .
7. Write an essay on the American war of independence .
8. Give a detailed account on England and Ireland.
9. Describe the role of the French philosophers.
10. Write an essay on the reform bills .

**UNIT IV**

**CHOOSE THE BEST ANSWER:**

1. Queen Victoria ruled England for \_\_\_\_\_ years
  - a . 50
  - b . 54
  - c . 60
  - d. 64



2. Transport facilities \_\_\_\_\_ during Queen Victoria's England
  - a . Increased tremendously
  - b .decreased
  - c . Increased slowly
  - d . Not increased
3. \_\_\_\_\_described the railways as England's most valuable gift to the world
  - a . Tennyson
  - b. Trevelyan
  - c . Hallam
  - d . Darwin
4. In 1844 the \_\_\_\_\_ Train Act was passed
  - a. Costly
  - b. Fast
  - c . Cheap
  - d . Expensive
5. The rate according to the cheap train act 1844 was \_\_\_\_\_ penny a mile
  - a. one
  - b. two
  - c. three
  - d. four
6. In the 1870s \_\_\_\_\_ developed methods of sending money messages simultaneously over the same wire
  - a. Albert and Edison
  - b. Stearns and Mathew
  - c. Stearns and Rowland Hill
  - d. Stearns and Edison
7. Alexander Graham Bell, an American ,opened a telephone exchange in \_\_\_\_\_ in 1879
  - a. Birmingham
  - b. Yorkshire
  - c. London
  - d. oxford
8. During Queen Victorian's England ,the \_\_\_\_\_ replaced painting
  - a. Camera
  - b. drawing
  - c. varnishing
  - d. distempering
9. Chloroform was discovered by Dr. \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Milton
  - b. Simpson
  - c. Tungsten
  - d. Edison
10. The causes of malaria was discovered by Dr. \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Milton
- b. Simpson
- c. Tungsten
- d. sir Ronald Ross

**ANSWERS:**(1-d,2-a,3-b,4-c,5-a,6-d,7-c,8-a,9-b,10-d)

**SHORT QUESTIONS:**

1. Write a note on anti-corn law League.
2. What were the progresses made in the field of medical science?
3. What was the effect of the second reform bill of 1867?
4. Write a note on the women's education .
5. Who was known as the railway king?
6. What was the effect of the progress in the means of transport and communication?
7. What were the effects of the First World War?
8. Why was the Second World War called as a war of liberation?
9. Define Trade Unionism.
10. What did Joseph Hume do?

**PARAGRAPH QUESTIONS:**

1. Write short notes on the oxford movement .
2. Write short notes on the crime war.
3. What were the educational Reforms brought about?
4. Write short notes on Dr. Arnold.
5. Write short notes on the penny post.
6. Write short notes on the telephone.
7. What were the changes brought out by the First World War?
8. What were the changes brought out by the Second World War?
9. Write short notes on combination laws.
10. Write short notes on the Royal commission

**ESSAY QUESTIONS:**

1. Write an essay on the Victorian age.
2. Give an account on the literature of the Victorian age.
3. Write an essay on the development of education in 19<sup>th</sup> century.
4. Describe the educational Reforms.
5. Give a detailed account on the means of transport and communication.
6. Write an essay on the railways.
7. Evaluate the work of the League of nations and account for its failure.
8. Analyze the achievements and failures of the nations.
9. Write an essay on the Trade Unionism in England.

10. Give an account on amalgamated unions.

## UNIT - V

### CHOOSE THE BEST ANSWER

1. With the defeat of \_\_\_\_\_ the 1st world war came to an end.
  - a. Germany and Australia
  - b. Australia and France
  - c. France and Germany
  - d. Germany and Austria
2. ILO means \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. international labor organisation
  - b. international legislative organisation
  - c. internal labor organisation
  - d. internal legislative organisation
3. the 2<sup>nd</sup> world war brought about an end to European supermacy over \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Africa
  - b. Australia
  - c. America
  - d. Asia
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ emerged as the biggest power after the 1<sup>st</sup> world war.
  - a. united states
  - b. soviet union
  - c. Uganda
  - d. India
5. UNO was set up in \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. 1935
  - b. 1938
  - c. 1942
  - d. 1945
6. T.S.Eliot represented post war England as \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Good land
  - b. Bad land
  - c. Rich land
  - d. Waste land
7. In 1945, the Labour party Clement Atlee as \_\_\_\_\_ came to power
  - a. President
  - b. Prime minister
  - c. King
  - d. Duke

8. In post-war England, the government of labor party passed number of act \_\_\_\_\_ social security welfare for the majority of the people
- Reduce
  - Remove
  - Ensure
  - Suppress
9. Margaret Thatcher became the prime minister in \_\_\_\_\_
- 1971
  - 1973
  - 1975
  - 1979
10. According to the national insurance act \_\_\_\_\_ her to pay a small sum to the government.
- Everybody
  - Every adult
  - every infant
  - every lady

**Answer:** (1-d, 2-a, 3-d, 4-a, 5-d, 6-d, 7-b, 8-c, 9-d, 10-b)

#### SHORT QUESTIONS

- How was Britain affected by the war?
- Write a note on the first two decades of the 20<sup>th</sup> century?
- How did Mac Donald deal with the economic depression?
- What did post war literature reflect?
- What is common wealth?
- Describe the cold war.
- What was the origin of the cold war?
- Write a note on the English society of the sixties.
- How was the power of the trade union curbed?
- Write a note on Hongkong.

#### Paragraph questions

- What was the cause for the First World War?
- Write short note on the inventions and Discoveries
- Write short notes on the Irish problem
- Write a note on the post-war literature
- How did the Second World War affect England?
- What were the social changes in the post-war England?
- Describe the course of the cold war
- What were the negative effects of science and technology?
- What were the negative aspects of the society in the eighties?
- Write short note on the church of England.



1. Write an essay on the dawn of the twentieth century.
2. Give a detailed account on the inventions and discoveries.
3. Discuss the life between the two world wars.
4. Describe the post-war Literature.
5. Write an essay on the effects of world war second.
6. Write an account on the literary men of the post-war.
7. Describe the effects of the cold war.
8. Give a detailed account on life in the sixties .
9. Write an essay on the life in the eighties.
10. Write an essay on the contemporary life in England.

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