

INDIAN SCHOOL AL WADI AL KABIR

Class: IX	Department: SOCIAL SCIENCE	
QB: 1	Topic: INDIA – SIZE AND LOCATION	YEAR:2021-22

I	Match Column A with Column B						
		Α		В			
	1	Southernmost point	a	Arunachal Pradesh			
	2	Westernmost point	b	Karakoram Range			
	3	Easternmost point	С	Indira Point			
	4	Northernmost point	d	Kachch			
	Ans. 1	. – C, 2 – d, 3 – a, 4 - b					
II		the blanks:-					
1	Q.5. C	hina is the largest cou	ntry	in the world?			
	a) Fo	urth b) Third c) seventh d) second					
) Fourth					
2		Gujarat to Arunachal Pradesh, the		e lag is			
	a) 3 no	ours, b) 1 hour, c) 4-hour d) 2 hou	-				
	Anc. 2	! Hours					
3			-	nercent of the total geographical area of	of.		
	Q.7 India's total area accounts for about percent of the total geographical area of the world.						
	a) 2.4 percent, b) 3.4 percent, c) 4.2 percent, d) 24 percent						
	Ans: 2.4 percent.						
III	Choos	se the right answer from the four	alte	rnatives given below:-			
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1	The Tropic of Cancer does not pass through:						
	(a) Rajasthan						
	(b) Odisha						
		hattisgarh					
		one of these					
2		Which one of the Indian island groups lies to the South East of India?					
	(a) Maldives						
	(b) Tajikistan						
		daman and Nicobar Islands					
3		kshadweep Islands		Large de affilia tade			
]		h of the following is the southernr	nost	latitude of the Indian mainland?			
	(a) 8° 4' North						

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	(b) 8° 4' South
	(c) 6° 4' South
	(d) 6° 4' North
4	Which one of the following water bodies separates Sri Lanka from India?
	(a) Palk Strait and Gulf of Khambhat
	(b) Palk Strait and Gulf of Mannar
	(c) Gulf of Mannar and 10° Channel (d) Gulf of Khambhat and 10° Channel
5	What is the Standard Meridian of India?
	(a) 82° 30' West
	(b) 82° 30' South
	(c) 82° 30' East
	(d) 82° 30' North
IV	Complete the contence
1	Complete the sentence:-
1	Time along the Standard Meridian of India (82°30'E) passing through Mirzapur (in Uttar Pradesh)
	a) is taken as the standard time for the whole country.
	b) is taken as the standard time for the whole continent.
	c) is taken as the standard time for the North India.
	d) is taken as the standard time for the South India.
	Ans. a) is taken as the standard time for the whole country.
2	India is bounded by the young fold mountains in the northwest, north and north east. It begins to taper towards the south, and extends towards the Indian Ocean, dividing it into
	a) India and Sri Lanka
	b) the Suez Canal and the Dead Sea
	c) the Arabian Sea on the west and the Bay of Bengal on its east
	d) West Bengal and North eastern states
	Ans. c) the Arabian Sea on the west and the Bay of Bengal on its east
3	The southernmost point of Indian union is Indira Point. It is not visible today because
	a) it was submerged under the sea water in the 2004 Tsunami
	b) it was destroyed by the 2001 Bhuj Earth Quake
	c) it was moved east ward and join with Malaysia.
	d) both a and b are correct.
	Ans. a) it was submerged under the sea water in the 2004 during the Tsunami.
V	Answer the following questions: -
1	Define the following terms: 1) Peninsula 2) Strait
	Peninsula: - A piece of land surrounded by sea on all the three sides. Ex. Indian Peninsula.

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	Strait: - A narrow stretch of sea linking two large seas. Ex. Palk Strait, Strait of Gibraltar.
2	Name the island groups of India.
	The Island groups of India are Lakshadweep islands in Arabian sea, and Andaman and Nicobar
	Islands in Bay of Bengal.
3	How has the opening of the Suez Canal in 1869 benefitted India?
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	Since the opening of the Suez Canal in 1869, India's distance from Europe has been reduced
	by 7,000km.
4	Why is Indian sub-continent so called?
4	India and her adjoining countries constitute a sub-continent as it comprises of all the
	characteristics of a continent.
	Indian sub-continent encompasses vast areas of diverse landmasses. Indian sub-
	continent comprises of high mountains, fertile plains, deserts and plateau, rivers and
	ocean.
	2. It is full of diversities in terms of climate, natural vegetation, wildlife and other
	resources.
	3. The vivid characteristics of culture and tradition among the people make it a
	subcontinent.
5	Reason out why is the difference between the durations of day and night hardly felt at
,	Kanyakumari but not so in Kashmir?
	The difference in the durations of day and night at Kanyakumari and Kashmir are respectively
	due to their latitudinal locations. Kanyakumari is located closer to the equator i.e. 8° away
	from the equator. It receives maximum sunlight and experiences a minimum difference
	between day and night. On the other hand, Kashmir lies further away from the equator i.e.
	South of the tropic of Cancer, and experiences a significant difference between the duration
	of day and night.
6	"India lies to the North-eastern Hemisphere." Justify the given statement.
	1. India lies to the east of Prime meridian between the longitudes 68°7′E to 97°25′E.
	2. Also, India lies to the North of equator between the latitudes 8°4′N to 37°6′N.
	 Important lines like Tropic of Cancer, 23°30′N and Indian Standard Meridian, 82°30′E pass through India.
	Hence, all this proves that India lies in the North-eastern hemisphere.
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7	The central location of India at the head of the Indian Ocean is considered of great
	significance. Why?
	OR
	How does India occupy an important strategic position in South Asia? Illustrate your answer
	by explaining three suitable points
	The central location of India at the head of the Indian Ocean is considered of great
	significance because of the following reasons:
	1. The Trans Indian Ocean routes which connect the countries of Europe in the West and
	the countries of East Asia provide a strategic central location to India.

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- 2. The Deccan Peninsula protrudes into the Indian Ocean, help India establish a close contact with West Asia, Africa and Europe from the western coast and with Southeast and East Asia from the eastern coast.
- 3. India has a long coastline on the Indian Ocean which becomes favorable trading ports and commerce hubs for other countries.
- 4. The coastal regions of India are famous for agriculture, trade & industrial centers, tourist centers, fishing and salt making. They provide important hinterlands for the ports.

Why is the distance from north to south of India greater than east to west whereas the latitudinal and longitudinal distances are almost the same?

India lies between 8°4′N to 37°6′N latitudes and 68°7′E to 97°25E longitudes. The difference between the latitudes and longitudes is approximately the same, i.e. 30°. However, India's north – south distance is 3214kms., whereas her east – west distance is 2933kms. The reasons for this are as follows:

- As we move from the equator to the poles the distance between the longitudes decreases while the distance between the latitudes remains the same.
- Thus, the east west distance or longitudinal extent appears to be smaller than the north south extent or latitudinal extent.

The sun rises two hours earlier in Arunachal Pradesh as compared to Gujarat in the west but the watches show the same time. How does this happen?

The earth in its rotation covers a distance of 1° longitude in 4 minutes. The places located on different longitudes have different local times. To keep uniform system of time, the world has been divided into 24 times zones. India has a longitudinal extent of 30° from Arunachal Pradesh (east) to Western Gujarat. It accounts for a time difference of 2 hours. However, to keep standard time across the country, 82½° E,

Longitude passing through Mirzapur (in Uttar Pradesh) is taken as the Standard Meridian for the whole country.

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