



**FACULTY HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL
SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER
FOR HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION 2019-20
CLASS XI –HUMANITIES
SUBJECT HISTORY**

Part-A

Objective Type Questions

(2X5)

1. In history the Paleolithic period is referred to as-

- a) The early times to 10,000 BCE
- b) The period from 12,000BC to10,000
- c) From 8,000BCE
- d) From 70,000-50,000mya

2 What were the Ziqqurat?

3 The term Civil War refers to

- a) Armed struggle for power within the country
- b) Conflict between different countries
- c) War among various tribes
- d) A revolt by the military

4. Geniza in Jewish language means

- a) Sealed room containing Jewish documents.
- b) Ancient library of the Jews
- c) The person who maintained records of the Mamluk period.
- d) The Jewish calligraphy

5 When and between whom was the battle of Camel fought?

PART -B

Short Answer Type Questions

(3x5)

6. Where did Hominids originate. Support the answer with evidence.

7. The changes from food gatherer to food producer represent big advances in the progress of man. Justify the statement.

8. State any two characteristics which mark urbanization.

OR

Mesopotamians valued city life in which people of many communities and cultures lived side by side. Elaborate the statement.

9. Briefly discuss the Roman Senate.

OR

Analyse the role of women in the Roman world.

10. Mention any two factors which facilitated Islam to gain wide acceptance among the Arabs.

PART-C

Long Answer Type Questions

(8x2)

11. With the help of examples reconstruct the patterns of residence of Early Humans.

OR

The discovery of fire is regarded as an important event in the life of primitive man .Elaborate

12. Briefly discuss the social hierarchies in the Early and Late Roman Empires and their salient features.

OR

The slaves played an important role in the economy of the Roman empire. Discuss briefly.

PART-D

Source Based Questions

(5x2)

13. The Seal-An Urban Artefact

In India, early stone seals were stamped. In Mesopotamia until the end of the first millennium BCE, cylindrical stone seals , pierced down the centre ,were fitted with a stick and rolled over wet clay so that a continuous picture was created. They were carved by very skilled craftsmen, and sometimes carry writing: the name of the owner, his god, his official position, etc. A seal could be rolled on clay covering the string knot of a cloth package or the mouth of a pot, keeping the contents safe. When rolled on a letter written on a clay tablet, it became a mark of authenticity. So the seal was the mark of a city dweller's role in public life.

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| 1) What is a seal? | 1 |
| 2) How were the seals made? | 2 |
| 3) How were the contents on the seals kept safe? | 2 |

14. The Quran

The Quran is a book in Arabic divided into 114 chapters(suras) and arranged in descending order of length, the shortest being the last. The only exception to this is the first sura which is a short prayer(al -fatiha or opening). According to Muslim tradition ,the Quran is a collection of messages (revelations) which God sent to the Prophet Muhammad between 610 and 632, first in Mecca and then in Medina. The task of compiling these revelations was completed some time in 650. The oldest complete Quran we have today dates from

the 9th century. There are many fragments which are older, the earliest being the verses engraved on the Dome of the Rock and on coins in the 17th century.

1) Who was the founder of Islam? 1

2) Write any four pillars of Islam. 2

3) What is the Quran according to Muslim tradition? 2

15 Map Question

From the covered the Chapters map skill will be given covering 4 marks. (1x4)