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# Social Science

Sample Paper 4 - Questions

34 questions | 80 marks | 2026-27

Time: 3 hours. Answer all questions and subparts unless a choice is stated. Marks are shown on the right. Write answers on separate sheets. Independently prepared practice paper.

## Section A - Objective questions

**1.** Which statement correctly describes Weathering? **1**

(A) A seasonally changing wind system produces strongly seasonal rainfall over much of India.

(B) A designated area combines conservation with appropriate research, learning and sustainable use arrangements.

(C) Rock breaks down in place through physical, chemical or biological processes.

(D) The movement and interaction of lithospheric plates helps explain major geological processes.

**2.** Which statement correctly describes Parliamentary government? **1**

(A) Electoral constituency boundaries are defined or adjusted through an authorised process.

(B) Rock breaks down in place through physical, chemical or biological processes.

(C) The development of cultivation and animal domestication supported new settlement patterns.

(D) The executive is responsible to the legislature under the constitutional framework.

3. Which concept is illustrated in this example? Tools, pottery and settlement remains provide clues about early societies. 1

(A) Erosion
(B) Archaeology
(C) Neolithic transition
(D) Carbon footprint

4. Which concept is illustrated in this example? A school compares emissions linked to different transport arrangements. 1

(A) Carbon footprint
(B) Erosion
(C) Democracy
(D) Plate tectonics

5. Which statement correctly describes Opportunity cost? 1

(A) Electoral constituency boundaries are defined or adjusted through an authorised process.
(B) A plan compares expected income, expenditure and saving over a period.
(C) The benefit of the next-best alternative forgone is the cost of a choice.
(D) The executive is responsible to the legislature under the constitutional framework.

6. Which statement correctly describes Harappan urbanism? 1

(A) Planned settlements, drainage, crafts and exchange reveal complex urban organisation.
(B) A plan compares expected income, expenditure and saving over a period.
(C) Quantity demanded equals quantity supplied at the equilibrium price under the model's assumptions.
(D) Interest is calculated on principal plus accumulated interest at the compounding dates.

**7.** Which statement correctly describes Market equilibrium? 1

(A) The movement and interaction of lithospheric plates helps explain major geological processes.

(B) Material remains are studied to reconstruct aspects of past human life.

(C) A designated area combines conservation with appropriate research, learning and sustainable use arrangements.

(D) Quantity demanded equals quantity supplied at the equilibrium price under the model's assumptions.

**8.** Which concept is illustrated in this example? A deposit earns interest in its second year on its first year's accumulated amount. 1

(A) Parliamentary government

(B) Compound interest

(C) Harappan urbanism

(D) Democracy

**9.** Which statement correctly describes Electoral roll? 1

(A) An official list identifies eligible voters for an electoral area.

(B) Interest is calculated on principal plus accumulated interest at the compounding dates.

(C) An association of traders or craft producers can coordinate economic activities.

(D) Public participation, political equality and accountable government are central democratic principles.

**10.** Which concept is illustrated in this example? A region protects ecosystems while considering surrounding communities and livelihoods. 1

(A) Harappan urbanism

(B) Archaeology

(C) Parliamentary government

(D) Biosphere reserve

**11.** Which statement correctly describes Erosion? 1

(A) People identify opportunities and organise resources to create value while facing uncertainty.

(B) The benefit of the next-best alternative forgone is the cost of a choice.

(C) A pure public good is non-rival and non-excludable.

(D) Moving agents remove and transport weathered material.

**12.** Which concept is illustrated in this example? A household allocates income among essentials, other spending and saving. **1**

(A) Monsoon
(B) Trade guild
(C) Budget
(D) Biosphere reserve

**13.** Which concept is illustrated in this example? Artisans organise shared rules and support for their occupation. **1**

(A) Trade guild
(B) Harappan urbanism
(C) Weathering
(D) Plate tectonics

**14.** Which statement correctly describes Neolithic transition? **1**

(A) Public participation, political equality and accountable government are central democratic principles.
(B) The movement and interaction of lithospheric plates helps explain major geological processes.
(C) An official list identifies eligible voters for an electoral area.
(D) The development of cultivation and animal domestication supported new settlement patterns.

**15.** Which statement correctly describes Entrepreneurship? **1**

(A) Electoral constituency boundaries are defined or adjusted through an authorised process.
(B) People identify opportunities and organise resources to create value while facing uncertainty.
(C) Public participation, political equality and accountable government are central democratic principles.
(D) Planned settlements, drainage, crafts and exchange reveal complex urban organisation.

**16.** Which statement correctly describes Public good? **1**

(A) A pure public good is non-rival and non-excludable.

(B) An association of traders or craft producers can coordinate economic activities.

(C) Rock breaks down in place through physical, chemical or biological processes.

(D) Greenhouse-gas emissions associated with an activity can be expressed in carbon-dioxide equivalents.

**17.** Which concept is illustrated in this example? A collision between continental plates can build mountains. **1**

(A) Plate tectonics

(B) Public good

(C) Market equilibrium

(D) Carbon footprint

**18.** Which concept is illustrated in this example? Boundary revision seeks appropriate representation as populations change. **1**

(A) Delimitation

(B) Entrepreneurship

(C) Public good

(D) Biosphere reserve

**19.** Which concept is illustrated in this example? The arrival and distribution of summer rain influence sowing decisions. **1**

(A) Neolithic transition

(B) Plate tectonics

(C) Entrepreneurship

(D) Monsoon

**20.** Which concept is illustrated in this example? Representatives can be replaced through meaningful competitive elections. **1**

(A) Plate tectonics

(B) Democracy

(C) Carbon footprint

(D) Trade guild

## Section B - Short responses

**21.** State the meaning of Erosion. Identify a relevant feature in this situation: A river carries loose sediment away from an exposed bank. **3**

**22.** Compare Democracy and Parliamentary government. Give the meaning and an appropriate application of each. **3**

**23.** State the meaning of Market equilibrium. Identify a relevant feature in this situation: At a particular price, sellers' planned sales equal buyers' planned purchases. **3**

**24.** Compare Public good and Opportunity cost. Give the meaning and an appropriate application of each. **3**

## Section C - Short responses

**25.** State the meaning of Harappan urbanism. Identify a relevant feature in this situation: Archaeologists study standardised bricks and street layouts at a settlement. **4**

**26.** Compare Archaeology and Trade guild. Give the meaning and an appropriate application of each. **4**

**27.** Compare Budget and Compound interest. Give the meaning and an appropriate application of each. **4**

**28.** Compare Neolithic transition and Harappan urbanism. Give the meaning and an appropriate application of each. **4**

**29.** State the meaning of Monsoon. Identify a relevant feature in this situation: The arrival and distribution of summer rain influence sowing decisions. **4**

**30.** State the meaning of Delimitation. Identify a relevant feature in this situation: Boundary revision seeks appropriate representation as populations change. **4**

## Section D - Extended responses

**31.** (a) Explain Parliamentary government and analyse this application: A ministry needs the support required to remain accountable to the elected house. **6**
(b) Explain Biosphere reserve and show how this second application fits it: A region protects ecosystems while considering surrounding communities and livelihoods.

**32.** (a) Explain Compound interest and analyse this application: A deposit earns interest in its second year on its first year's accumulated amount. **6**
(b) Explain Budget and show how this second application fits it: A household allocates income among essentials, other spending and saving.

**33.** (a) Explain Carbon footprint and analyse this application: A school compares emissions linked to different transport arrangements. **6**
(b) Explain Public good and show how this second application fits it: One person's use of street lighting does not normally prevent others benefiting.

**34.** (a) Explain Entrepreneurship and analyse this application: A team develops an affordable local repair service after studying customer needs. **6**
(b) Explain Parliamentary government and show how this second application fits it: A ministry needs the support required to remain accountable to the elected house.

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