



**SOF INTERNATIONAL
SOCIAL STUDIES OLYMPIAD**

SYLLABUS

Section – 1 : History – Studying the Past, The Early Humans, The First Cities and the Vedic Age, The Early Kingdoms and New Idea, The First Empire – The Maurya, Life in Towns and Villages, The Post-Mauryan Period, New Empires and Kingdoms, Culture and Science.

Section – 2 : Geography – Planet Earth, Its Major Domains and Landforms, Globes and Maps, Our Country – India (Physical and Political Divisions, Climate, Vegetation and Wildlife)

Section – 3 : Social and Political Life – Diversity and Discrimination, Government and Key Elements of a Democratic Government, Local Government and Administration, Livelihoods – Rural and Urban

Section – 4 : Higher Order Thinking Questions-Syllabus as per Section – 1, 2 & 3.

Total Questions : 50

Time : 1 hr.

PATTERN & MARKING SCHEME

Section	(1) History	(2) Geography	(3) Social and Political Life	(4) Achievers Section
No. of Questions	20	15	10	5
Marks per Ques.	1	1	1	3

- Planet 'X' is a cold and dry planet having two satellites – Phobos and Deimos. What is 'X'?
(A) Mercury (B) Venus
(C) Mars (D) Neptune

- Which of the following cities is not situated on the bank of river Ganges?
(A) Haridwar (B) Agra
(C) Allahabad (D) Kanpur

- It is a blanket-like layer that surrounds the Earth. It contains a mixture of gases including oxygen which most organisms need to breathe. It protects us from the harmful radiations of the Sun. What is this layer called?
(A) Hydrosphere (B) Geosphere
(C) Atmosphere (D) Lithosphere

- The southern part of the western coastal plain is called _____.
(A) Konkan Coast (B) Northern Circars
(C) Minicoy (D) Malabar Coast

- The script of the Harappans was _____.
(A) Roman (B) Latin
(C) Brahmi (D) Pictographic

- The pipal tree under which Gautam Buddha attained enlightenment, came to be known as
(A) Dharmachakra Pravartana (B) Ashtangika Marga
(C) Bodhi Vriksha (D) Middle path

- Who takes care of the land records at the village level?
(A) Patwari (B) District Collector
(C) Chowkidar (D) Tehsildar

- Municipal Corporations issue _____ to people to run their business in cities.
(A) Licenses (B) Money
(C) Areas (D) All of these

ACHIEVERS SECTION

9. Which of the following statements are correct?
- (i) The tectonic forces originate from within the Earth.
 - (ii) A cordillera is a French term which stands for several mountain systems.
 - (iii) The Plateau of Tibet in Asia is the highest intermontane plateau in the world.
 - (iv) In terms of area, Madhya Pradesh is the largest state in India.
- (A) (ii) and (iv) only (B) (i) and (iii) only
(C) (ii) and (iii) only (D) (i) and (iv) only
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10. Match column I with column II and select the correct option.

Column I		Column II	
(P) Small-scale map		(i) Guide maps	
(Q) Large-scale map		(ii) Roads and railways	
(R) Thematic map		(iii) Wall maps	
(S) Physical map		(iv) Mountains and rivers	
P	Q	R	S
(A) (i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
(B) (iv)	(iii)	(ii)	(i)
(C) (iii)	(i)	(ii)	(iv)
(D) (ii)	(iv)	(i)	(iii)

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ANSWERS

1. (C) 2. (B) 3. (C) 4. (D) 5. (D) 6. (C) 7. (A) 8. (A) 9. (B) 10. (C)