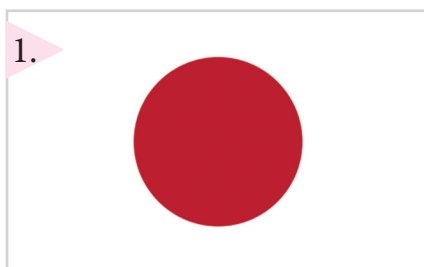


## National Flags

Identify the flags of different countries given below. The clues will definitely lead you to the correct answer.



This flag belongs to the country which is the techno-giant of the world.

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This flag belongs to the country that is known as the Land of White Elephants.

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This flag belongs to the country that is known as the Land of Thousand Lakes.

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This flag belongs to the nation that loves the game of soccer.

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This flag belongs to the nation that is famous as Land of Golden Fleece.

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This flag belongs to the country which is known as Land of Maple (leaf).

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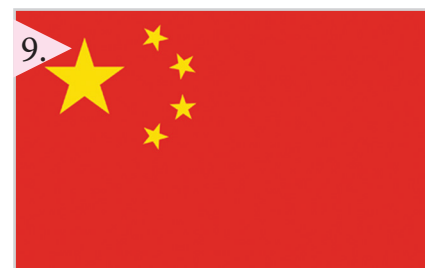
This flag belongs to the country that is known as the Gift of Nile.

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This flag belongs to the country that is known as the Cockpit of Europe.

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This flag belongs to the most populous country of the world.

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# Continental Quiz

Identify the continent to which the given countries and cities belong to.

Continent	Countries	Cities
1. A <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>India</li> <li>Malaysia</li> <li>Nepal</li> <li>Bhutan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jodhpur</li> <li>Kuala Lumpur</li> <li>Pokhra</li> <li>Thempu</li> </ul>
2. E <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Belgium</li> <li>France</li> <li>Greece</li> <li>Germany</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brussels</li> <li>Marseille</li> <li>Athens</li> <li>Frankfurt</li> </ul>
3. A <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Egypt</li> <li>Kenya</li> <li>Ghana</li> <li>Nigeria</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Giza</li> <li>Nairobi</li> <li>Accra</li> <li>Lagos</li> </ul>
4. N <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> A <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canada</li> <li>Mexico</li> <li>USA</li> <li>Cuba</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Toronto</li> <li>Puebla</li> <li>New York</li> <li>Havana</li> </ul>
5. S <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> A <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chile</li> <li>Argentina</li> <li>Brazil</li> <li>Bolivia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Santiago</li> <li>La Plata</li> <li>Brasilia</li> <li>Sucre</li> </ul>



## DO YOU KNOW?

- Antarctica contains no countries or Permanent residents.
- Australia is the only country on the Australian continent.



**United Nations Organisation (UNO) is an association of countries who have come together to maintain international peace and security. United Nations (UN) functions through its six principal organs. With the help of the clues given below, name these organs.**

1. This is the main body of UN and consists of all its members.

G \_\_\_\_\_

2. The main responsibility of this organ of UN is to maintain international peace and security.

S \_\_\_\_\_

3. This is the organ of UN that works on economic, social, cultural and humanitarian problems.

E \_\_\_\_\_

4. This organ of UN prepares people for self-government or independence. It also supervises administration of the Trust Territories.

T \_\_\_\_\_

5. The main function of this UN organ is the settlement of international legal problems and disputes.

I \_\_\_\_\_

6. This organ looks into all administrative matters of UN and is headed by the Secretary General.

S \_\_\_\_\_



### DO YOU KNOW?

As of now the UNO has 193 member states.

## Water Ways

We know that all the ancient civilisations evolved on the banks of great rivers. Given below are some of the major rivers. Identify the countries they flow through. A prominent city, which has come up on the bank of each river, is mentioned here as a clue. One has been done for you.

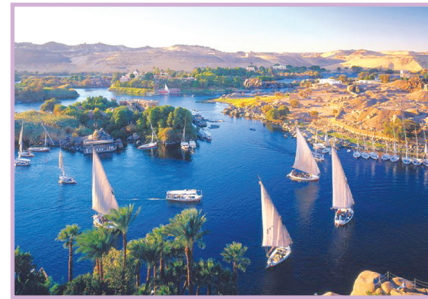
City	River	Country
1. Paris	Seine	<u>France</u>
2. Lahore	Ravi	_____
3. New York	Hudson	_____
4. Alexandria	Nile	_____
5. Baghdad	Tigris	_____
6. London	Thames	_____
7. Rangoon	Irawaddy	_____
8. Kathmandu	Bagmati	_____
9. Budapest	Danube	_____
10. Canton	Canton	_____



Ravi



Hudson



Nile



Thames



Irawaddy



Danube



# Tribes of the World

Given below are names of some tribes of early people. Name the continent or the country they belong to using the Help Box given below.

1. Eskimos
2. Bantus
3. Finns
4. Sherpas
5. Maori
6. Pygmies
7. Veddas
8. Gaucho
9. Banjaras
10. Red Indians

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Eskimos



Bantus



Gaucho



Pygmies



Sherpas

## Help Box

Canada or Greenland	Central and South Africa
Sri Lanka	Tundra and Europe
Congo Basin (Zaire)	Nepal
India	Uruguay, Argentina
New Zealand	North America



## DO YOU KNOW?

The earliest people of a place are called **Aborigines**. They have a distinct appearance, culture and lifestyle.

# Currencies

Given below are some currencies. The name of two countries where they are being used are also given. Name two more countries that use the same currency.

1. Seychelles Mauritius RUPEE ₹

2. Uruguay Philippines PESO ₱

3. Congo Luxembourg FRANC ₣

4. Zimbabwe Singapore DOLLAR \$

5. Cyprus Lebanon POUND £

6. Libya Bosnia DINAR ₪

## News 'n' Views

Newspapers are the cheapest means to get updated on latest information and facts about people and events from places all over the world. Match the newspapers given in Column 'A' to the countries they belong to given in Column 'B' by writing the numbers in the brackets.

A	B
1. <i>Dawn</i>	Nepal ( )
2. <i>The Mirror</i>	China ( )
3. <i>Pravda</i>	France ( )
4. <i>La Croix</i>	Pakistan ( )
5. <i>Annapurna Post</i>	Russia ( )
6. <i>Lankadeepa</i>	United Kingdom ( )
7. <i>Yomiuri Shimbun</i>	Sri Lanka ( )
8. <i>Nanfang</i>	Japan ( )
9. <i>Al Tahrir</i>	India ( )
10. <i>The Hindustan Dainik</i>	Egypt ( )



### DO YOU KNOW?

The first newspaper in India – *The Bengal Gazette* was started in 1780 by James Augustus Hicky.

## National Emblems

With the help of given clues, complete the puzzle on the National Emblems of different countries.

1.	K								
2.	L								
3.	B								
4.	R								
5.	G								
6.	K								
7.	E								
8.	L								
9.	E								
10.	C								



Kangaroo



Kiwi

### Clues:

- The animal that carries its young one in its pouch is the national emblem of Australia.
- The flower that grows in water is the national emblem of France.
- The stretch of land along the sea is the national emblem of Denmark.
- The flower that is considered most beautiful is the national emblem of Iran and United Kingdom.
- The national emblem of USA is a rod made of shiny yellow precious metal.
- The national emblem of New Zealand is a flightless bird with a long bill.
- The national emblem of Syria is the powerful bird known for its sharp eyesight.
- 'King of the Jungle' is the national emblem of Sri Lanka, Norway, Belgium, Netherlands and Sierra Leone.
- The huge land animal is the national emblem of Ivory Coast.
- The figure of moon, when less than half visible, is the national emblem of Pakistan.



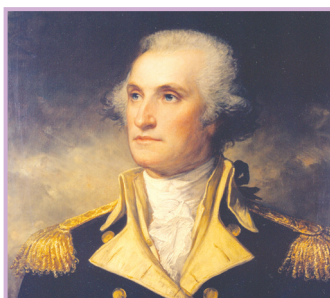
## Magnificent Masters of the World

Many remarkable rulers, like Kings, Queens, Generals, Presidents or Prime Ministers, have shaped the destiny of different countries of the world. Given below are the names of some such rulers. Identify the countries they belonged to.

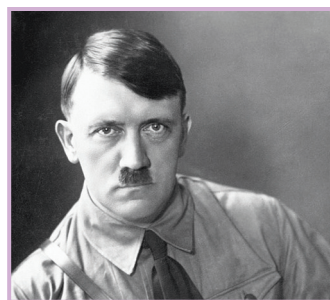
1. Napoleon Bonaparte declared himself the Emperor of F
2. Cleopetra ruled over this ancient land of pyramids. E
3. Alexander, who wished to conquer the world, belonged to G
4. George Washington was the first President of U
5. Hitler killed or drove away all the jews from this country. G
6. Mao-Tse-Tung was the father of communist revolution in this country. C
7. Winston Churchill was the powerful Prime Minister of this country. U
8. Ashoka conquered most of the neighbouring states and spread his empire far and wide. He was the Emperor of I
9. Sheikh Mujib-Ur-Rahman broke away from Pakistan to form this new nation in 1971. B
10. Nelson Mandela after serving a prison sentence for over 30 years, became the President of S



Napoleon Bonaparte



George Washington



Hitler



Nelson Mandela

### ? DO YOU KNOW?

The national flag of Italy was designed by Napoleon Bonaparte.

## Meal-Time Quiz

All that we eat and drink is not solely produced in our country. Given below are the clues that will lead you to name some of the food products and beverages that are widely exported and imported by different nations of the world.

1. This is a drink that grows mainly in China and India.
2. This is a cereal that is used to bake breads, cakes and *chappaties*. USA, Russia and India are its main producers.
3. Hot or cold everybody likes to drink it. Brazil and Colombia are its main producers.
4. It lives in water. Bangladesh, Japan and Norway are its major traders.
5. This product brings sweetness in our food and drinks. It is mainly grown in India, Brazil and Cuba.
6. This is staple food of most of the people in world. India, Vietnam and Indonesia are its chief producers.
7. From this crop we extract the cooking medium which is used to cook the meals. It is mainly grown in India and China.
8. This product is the main ingredient of the delicious chocolate that we love to eat. Ghana, Brazil and Nigeria are its chief producers.
9. This fruit is so beneficial for our health that if we eat it regularly we will never have to visit a doctor for treatment. Its chief producers are USA and France.
10. This is a vegetable that is the universal favourite of all people. It is rich in vitamins and minerals too.

### ? DO YOU KNOW?

Chillies were unknown to the Indians until 400 years ago. Chillies initially came to Mexico and were introduced in India by the Portuguese.



## Fact File

### Silk Route



- ▶ Silk Route or Silk Road is not a road in the common sense of the term but the oldest route in our civilisation connecting Europe to Asia.
- ▶ It derives its name from the lucrative trade in Chinese silk carried out with the west, especially with Rome.
- ▶ It is believed that the Bubonic plague, or Black death travelled to Europe from Silk Route only.
- ▶ Marco Polo was one of the first Europeans who travelled by the Silk Route and returned to tell the Europeans about the exotic civilisation in the East.
- ▶ In June 2014 UNESCO designated the Chang'an—Tianshan corridor of the Silk Road as a World Heritage site.



# Test Your Wisdom

## 1. Read the following and tick ☒ the correct answer.

- a. Flightless bird with a long beak is the national emblem of—

Australia ☐ Canada ☐ New Zealand ☐

- b. George Washington was the first President of—

UK ☐ USA ☐ Russia ☐

- c. River Danube flows through—

Hungary ☐ France ☐ Australia ☐

- d. What are Bantus, Finns and Lapps?

Island States ☐ Rivers ☐ Tribes ☐

- e. Ashoka was the emperor of—

Germany ☐ Russia ☐ India ☐

## 2. Encircle the odd man out.

- a. Seine, Irawaddy, Eskimos, Hudson  
 b. Cleopetra, Ashoka, Marco Polo, Alexander  
 c. Egypt, Kenya, Chile, Ghana  
 d. Peso, Dinar, Franc, *Pravda*  
 e. Paris, London, Toronto, Brazil



## 3. Read the names given in each group and find out what is common in them.

- a. Canada, Nepal, China  
 b. *Dawn*, *Al Tahrir*, *La Croix*  
 c. Wheat, Rice, Sugarcane  
 d. Franc, Pound, Dollar  
 e. Sherpas, Pygmies, Red Indians

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**4. State the following statements as True or False.**

- a. *Pravda* is the popular newspaper of Japan.
- b. Hitler hated Jews.
- c. Lily is the national emblem of Denmark.
- d. America is known as the Land of Golden Fleece.
- e. Rice is the staple food of Indonesia.

**5. Answer the following questions.**

- a. What four letter currency is common in Europe?
- b. Which institution controls the monetary policy of Indian rupee?
- c. What is the currency of Vietnam?
- d. Name one place in India where currency notes are printed.
- e. Which is the most expensive currency?

**6. Complete the following with the correct information.**

- a. The country having maximum number of people living in it. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. The temperature drops to \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ which is the coldest place on earth.
- c. The wettest place on the earth is Mount Wai'ale'ale, in the Hawaiian Islands having an average rainfall of \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Hindustani language is spoken by approximately \_\_\_\_\_ people in the world.
- e. The earliest paper money was the invention of \_\_\_\_\_

## Myth Magic

Every culture has some popular mythical characters that are remembered for their extraordinary and strange characteristics. Match these characters with their description given below in the opposite column.

- |                |   |  |
|----------------|---|--|
| 1. Sphinx      | ▷ | a. His real name is St. Nicholas. He loves children and tries to bring happiness to them by fulfilling their wishes.   |
| 2. Pandora     | ▷ | b. A creature with lion's body and human head. He asked the people a riddle. All those who could not answer were killed and eaten up by him.   |
| 3. Robin Hood  | ▷ | c. This girl had a mysterious box which she was advised never to open. But, she opened the box as a result of which all the miseries of the world which were kept locked in box escaped and spread around the world. |
| 4. The Roc     | ▷ | d. He was the strongest man of Greek mythology. He was given 12 impossible tasks to perform and he successfully performed all of them.   |
| 5. Hercules    | ▷ | e. This was the monstrous bird that carried Sindbad in the <i>Arabian Nights</i> . This huge bird ate baby elephants, horses, cattle and huge serpents too.  |
| 6. Santa Claus | ▷ | f. He was thief from Sherwood forest who stole money from the rich and gave it to the poor. All the people loved him and the king's soldiers could never catch him because they protected him.                       |



### DO YOU KNOW?

#### Sphinx Riddle

What has one voice and walks on four feet in the morning, two feet in the afternoon and three feet in the evening?

Man has one voice, but when he is small he crawls on four legs. In his youth, he walks on two legs. In his old age, he has to use a stick for support, thus, walks on three legs.

**Answer**  
**Man**

# Music Mania

Given below are pictures of singers and musicians performing on the stage. Identify their style of music.

Bhajan

Opera

Jazz

Ghazal

Pop

Folk

1.



2.



3.



4.



5.



6.



## ACTIVITY

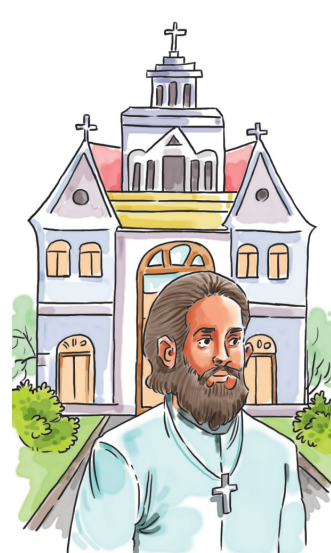
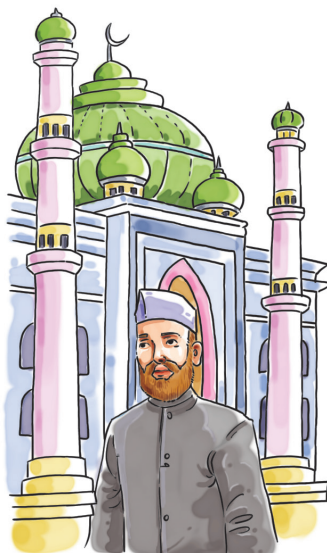
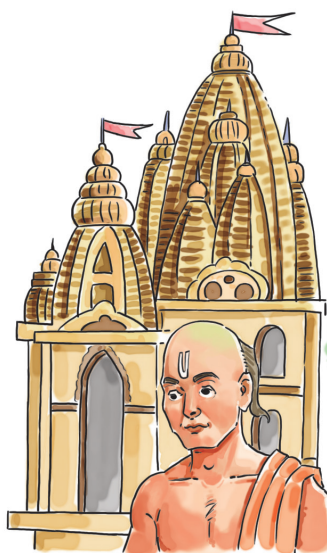
Find out the names of some famous performers of India.

## Bonding with God

Given below are the names of different countries of the world. Classify them into equal groups of five on the basis of the religion that is practised by a large number of people living there. One has been done for you.

1. Japan	2. Iran	3. Italy	4. Fiji
5. Nepal	6. Sri Lanka	7. Jordan	8. USA
9. New Zealand	10. Iraq	11. Australia	12. France
13. Myanmar	14. India	15. Indonesia	16. Taiwan
17. Mauritius	18. Afghanistan	19. Kuwait	20. Thailand

HINDUISM	BUDDHISM	ISLAM	CHRISTIANITY
Mauritius	Taiwan	Jordan	Australia





## ▶ Sound of Music

Identify each of the given musical instrument. Write its name in the space provided. Also match it to the state/place it belongs to on the given map.

1.



2.



3.



4.



5.



6.



7.



8.



# Tongues

A language is also known as tongue. Unscramble the letters given below in the boxes and discover which tongue is spoken in the country given against it.

1. Kenya I L I H A W S

2. New Zealand M I R O A

3. Malaysia Y A L M A

4. Chile H S P A N I S

5. Israel W B H E E R

6. Cambodia H R E A K M

7. Egypt C B A I A R

8. Iran N A S I R E P

9. Sri Lanka E S E L A H N I S

10. Austria E R G N A M



## ? DO YOU KNOW?

Dr Harold Williams of New Zealand (1876-1928) was the greatest known linguist of the world. He could speak 58 languages and many dialects fluently.

### Help Box

Arabic	Sinhalese
Hebrew	Spanish
German	Persian
Malay	Maori
Swahili	Khamer

# Bon Appetite!

Every country of the world has its one or more famous food/dish. Given below are the names of some famous foods/dishes of different countries. Using the Help Box write the name of the country to which each belongs to.

1. Hamburger \_\_\_\_\_
2. Polenta \_\_\_\_\_
3. Sushi \_\_\_\_\_
4. Tortillas \_\_\_\_\_
5. Baklava \_\_\_\_\_
6. Hummus \_\_\_\_\_
7. Nasi Goreng \_\_\_\_\_
8. Chocolates \_\_\_\_\_
9. Chop-Suey \_\_\_\_\_
10. Chole Bhature \_\_\_\_\_



Hamburger



Polenta



Sushi



Chole Bhature



Hummus



Tortillas

## Help Box

Mexico	USA	Italy	China	India
Switzerland	Japan	Indonesia	UAE	Turkey



## ► From Om to Amen

Try the quiz given below and find out how much you know about the different religions of the world.

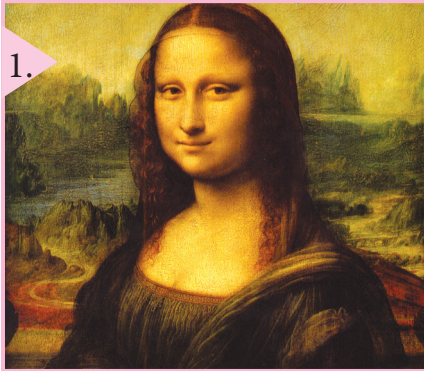
- Stupa is a—  
☐ Gold Ornament                      ☐ Buddhist's place of worship  
☐ A stadium for games
- This religion has two sects of believers called Shia and Sunni. Which religion is this?  
☐ Bahai                      ☐ Islam                      ☐ Hinduism
- Pews in the church are—  
☐ singers singing devotional songs.  
☐ benches for people to sit while praying.  
☐ candles offered by the worshippers.
- Roman Catholics and Protestants are followers of which religion?  
☐ Confucianism                      ☐ Christianity                      ☐ Bahai
- In Japan ancestors are worshipped. What is it called?  
☐ Shintoism                      ☐ Buddhism                      ☐ Zoroastrianism
- '*Ban-Mitzvah*' is a ceremony which is performed on a boy when he turns 13 and is considered old enough to join the community. In which religion is this ceremony performed?  
☐ Hinduism                      ☐ Judaism                      ☐ Buddhism
- The religion which believes that 'God', i.e. '*Atman*' is present in all living beings.  
☐ Hinduism                      ☐ Shintoism                      ☐ Islam
- The followers of Zoroastrianism came from Persia and settled down in India. What are they called?  
☐ Jains                      ☐ Parsis                      ☐ Buddhists
- Maximum concentration of Jews is found in which country?  
☐ Nepal                      ☐ Pakistan                      ☐ Israel
- Samyag Darshan*, *Samyag Gyan* and *Samyag Chaitra* are the three jewels of this religion.  
☐ Jainism                      ☐ Buddhism                      ☐ Judaism



# The World of Art

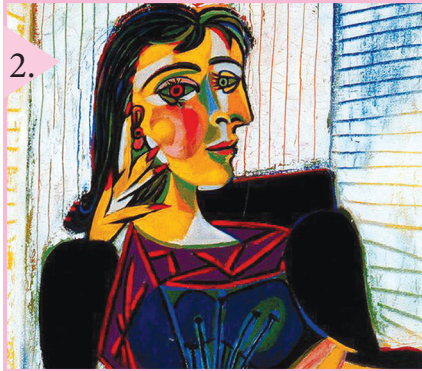
Given below are some of the famous paintings that have been produced by artists world-over. Use the Help Box given below and write the painter who has created each of these amazing works of art.

*Mona Lisa*



Painted by: \_\_\_\_\_

*Portrait of Dora Maar*



Painted by: \_\_\_\_\_

*Krishna and Balarama*



Painted by: \_\_\_\_\_

*Pieta*



Painted by: \_\_\_\_\_

*Sunflowers*



Painted by: \_\_\_\_\_

*Two Elephants*



Painted by: \_\_\_\_\_



## DO YOU KNOW?

Leonardo da Vinci would buy caged birds and set them free. He was a vegetarian and animal rights activist.

## Help Box

Pablo Picasso

Leonardo da Vinci

Jamini Roy

Michelangelo

Vincent Van Gogh

Amrita Shergil

## Famous People of Indian Origin

Given below are the hints about some famous people of Indian origin. Use the Help Box to find out the correct names.

1. A Hollywood film and TV actor who achieved greater political heights under the administration of the President Obama.



Kalpen Suresh Modi

2. The 2009 Nobel Prize winner in chemistry.



Ajay Bhatt

3. The present appointed Governor of South Carolina.

4. The co-inventor of USB technology.

5. The designer of Intel Pentium Chip.



Nikki Haley

6. The winner of the Pulitzer prize for General non-fiction.

7. The former Prime Minister of Fiji.

8. The first person of Indian origin to be elected as the Chief Minister of a province in Canada.

**? DO YOU KNOW?**

Mauritius is the country that had five Prime Ministers who hail originally from the Bihar state in India.

### Help Box

Kalpen Suresh Modi	Venkatraman Ramakrishnan	Nikki Haley
Ajay Bhatt	Vinod Dham	Siddhartha Mukherjee
Dosanjh	Mahendra Choudhary	

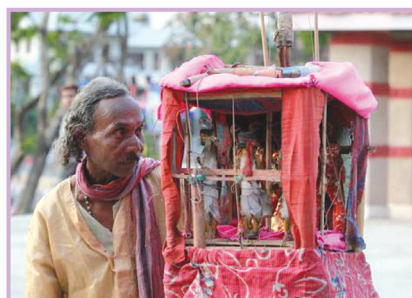
## Puppet Show

Puppets have always served to educate people about traditional epics and other local tales. Given below are different forms of puppets. Match them with the given states.

Puppets	States
1. <i>Kathputli</i>	a. Uttar Pradesh
2. <i>Gulabo Sitabo</i>	b. Manipur
3. <i>Putul Nach</i>	c. Jharkhand
4. <i>Chadar Badar</i>	d. Maharashtra
5. <i>Laithibi Jagoi</i>	e. Odisha
6. <i>Tolpava Kuthu</i>	f. Tripura
7. <i>Kalasutri Bahulya</i>	g. Kerala
8. <i>Gopalila</i>	h. Rajasthan
9. <i>Togalu Gombeyaata</i>	i. West Bengal
10. <i>Tarer Putul</i>	j. Karnataka



*Kathputli*



*Chadar Badar*



*Kalasutri Bahulya*

### ACTIVITY

Make a paper puppet and try to narrate a story in Hindi or English.



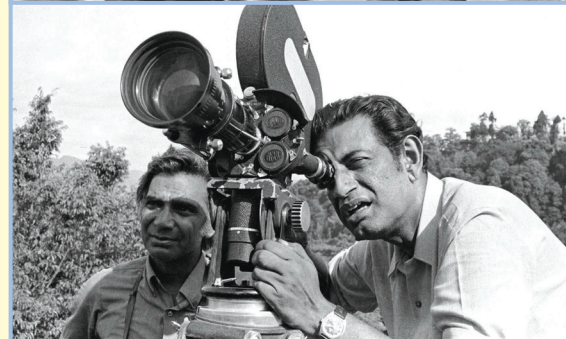
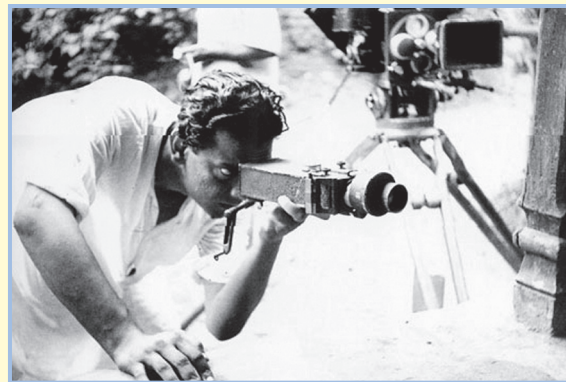
## Fact File

### Satyajit Ray



(2 May 1921 – April 1992)

- ▶ Satyajit Ray is considered as one of the greatest film-makers of the twentieth century.
- ▶ He directed 36 films, including feature films, documentaries and short stories.
- ▶ Ray's first film *Pather Panchali* (1955) won eleven International Prizes and Best human documentary at Cannes Film Festival in 1956.
- ▶ Ray is the second film personality after Charlie Chaplin to have been awarded an honorary doctorate by the Oxford University.
- ▶ Ray received 32 Indian National Film Awards and an honorary Academy Award in 1992.
- ▶ The Govt. of India honoured him with the Bharat Ratna in 1992.





## Test Your Wisdom

### 1. Encircle the mis-matched component from each group.

- Michelangelo, Leonardo da Vinci, Alka Yagnik, Amrita Shergil
- Hebrew, Malay, Maori, Bahai
- Polenta*, *Baklava*, Islam, *Sushi*
- Jainism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Picasso
- Kathputli*, *Gopalila*, *Putul Nach*, Hercules



### 2. Replace the underline words with the correct one.

- The people of Israel are followers of Hinduism.
- The language of Chile is also known as Khamer.
- Pizza is the famous food of Japan.
- '*Ban-Mitzvah*' is a ceremony performed in Buddhism.
- Shia and Sunni sects belongs to Hinduism.

### 3. Complete the following statements.

- The religion followed by Parsis is called \_\_\_\_\_
- Sinhalese is a language spoken in \_\_\_\_\_
- The Roc was the monstrous bird in the \_\_\_\_\_
- Satyajit Ray was honoured with Bharat Ratna in \_\_\_\_\_
- Hindus believe in presence of God or \_\_\_\_\_

### 4. Match the following:

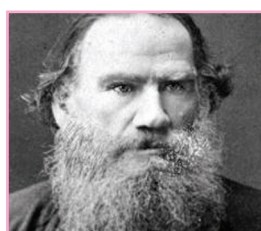
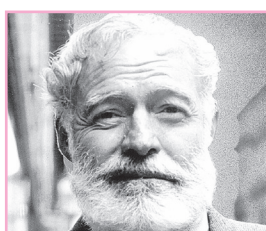
- Swahili
- Gulabo Sitabo*
- Santa Claus
- Dafli*
- Shintoism

- Japan
- Himachal Pradesh
- Kenya
- Uttar Pradesh
- St. Nicholas

5. State the following statements as True or False.

- a. The oldest known musical instruments are drums.
- b. The first pictures that man made were in first century AD.
- c. Rabindranath Tagore was a famous painter.
- d. Chinese language is spoken by more people than English.
- e. Valuable works of art are displayed at art galleries so that has an opportunity to see them.

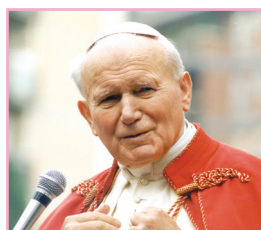
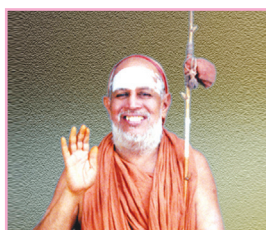
6. Give a proper heading to these famous personalities.



a. Ernest Hemingway

Munshi Prem Chand

Leo Tolstoy



b. Sri Jayendra Saraswati

H.H. Dalai Lama

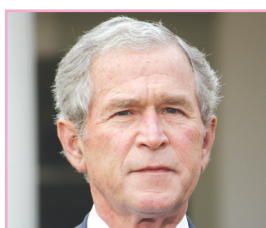
Pope John Paul II



c. Satish Gujral

Raja Ravi Verma

Peter Paul Rubens



d. George W. Bush

Jacques Chirac

Pranab Mukherjee