

VIDYA BHARATI SCHOOL  
ASSIGNMENT- KINGS, FARMERS AND TOWNS

- Q1 Devanampiya means
- a) Son of God
  - b) Beloved of the Gods
  - c) Pleasant to behold
  - d) Incarnation of God
- Q.2 Which of the following statements is true with reference to Mahajanapadas?
- a) They were 18 in number
  - b) They had capital cities which were often fortified.
  - c) They were monarchies only.
  - d) They were located in the Deccan Plateau.
- Q.3 Which of the following statements with reference to 'dhamma' is false?
- a) respect towards elder
  - b) treating slaves & servant kindly
  - c) sacrificing animals in name of religion
  - d) religious tolerance
- Q.4 Which of the following statements with reference to Magadha is incorrect?
- a) It had high agricultural produce
  - b) Elephants were found in forests in this region
  - c) Tungbhadra & its tributaries provided a means of cheap communication
  - d) It had rich deposits of iron ore
- Q.5 Arthashastra was written by
- a) Harishena
  - b) Megasthenese
  - c) Kautilya
  - d) Ashoka
- Q.6 Study of Inscription is called
- a) Numismatics
  - b) Epigraphy
  - c) Archaeology
  - d) Palaeography
- Q.7 Brahmi & Kharosthi were deciphered by
- a) Cunningham
  - b) James Princep
  - c) R E M Wheeler
  - d) John Marshall
- Q.8 One of the sources to reconstruct the history of the Mauryan is
- a) Manusmriti
  - b) Rigveda
  - c) Mahabharata
  - d) Arthashastra
- Q.9 The first gold coins in India were issued by
- a) Indo-Greeks
  - b) Guptas
  - c) Kushanas
  - d) Yaudheyas
- Q.10 Which of the following statements with reference to limitations of inscriptions is incorrect?
- a) Sometimes letters are faintly engraved,
  - b) not all inscriptions have survived,
  - c) all inscriptions have been deciphered,
  - d) joys & sorrow of daily existence do not find a mention

True / False

- Q.1 James Prinsep deciphered the Brahmi and Kharosthi scripts.
- Q.2 There were all together eighteen Mahajanapadas
- Q.3 Some of the Mahajanapadas were oligarchies.
- Q.4 Bimbisara and Ajatashatru belonged to the Gupta dynasty.
- Q.5 Patna is the modern name of Rajgriha, ancient capital of Mauryan Empire.
- Q.6 Megasthenes was the ambassador in the court of Ashoka.
- Q.7 The first coins to bear the name and images of rulers were issued by the Indo Greeks
- Q.8 The First gold coins were issued by the Satavahanas.
- Q.9 The Lion capital taken from the Sarnath Ashoka Pillar, is the national emblem of India.

Fill in the blanks :

- Q.1 Prayag Prashasti was composed by \_\_\_\_\_ in the 4th c. CE.
- Q.2 The Jatakas were written in \_\_\_\_\_ language.
- Q.3 Initially \_\_\_\_\_ was the capital of Magadh. Later in the 4th c. BCE it was shifted to \_\_\_\_\_
- Q.4 Special officers appointed to spread the message of Dhamma were \_\_\_\_\_
- Q.5 The mine important for tapping gold in Karnataka was the golden mountain, \_\_\_\_\_
- Q.6 Colossal statues of \_\_\_\_\_ rulers have been found in Mathura.
- Q.7 Ashokan Brahmi was deciphered in 1838 by \_\_\_\_\_
- Q.8 Inscriptions/literature composed in praise of kings were known as \_\_\_\_\_
- Q.9 Prabhavati Gupta was married into the ruling family of \_\_\_\_\_ a