

**St. Mary's School, Dwarka**  
**Holiday Homework**  
**Class - XII**  
**Subject: History**

I. Students should prepare project of about 45-50 pages for CBSE assessment. The project should be prepared according to the guidelines already issued in class.

The project should include the following sections:

1. Cover page- Displaying the topic.
2. Acknowledgement – Thanking the people or institution that has helped you in completion of your project.
3. Certificate- Mentioning your name and the name of teacher under whose supervision you have completed your work.
4. Index- Giving the list of contents with page numbers.
5. Introduction- Giving the purpose and importance of a study.
6. Chapters- Give a title to each chapter along with details and pictures.
7. Conclusion- What do you learn from your study?
8. Bibliography- Showing the sources from where you have gathered information.

Present the following in your project report:

- a. Data/Statistical Analysis/Map work
- b. Analysis/Explanation and interpretation
- c. Bibliography

Projects should be in groups only. Students can use primary as well as secondary sources for the research work.

Choose any one of the following topics:

- i. Harappa Civilization - Town planning and artefacts
- ii. Mahabharata through the eyes of a reader.
- iii. Buddhism and Jainism.
- iv. India -Through the Eyes of Travelers - Al-Biruni, Ibn Battuta and Bernier
- v. Understanding the Bhakti – Sufi Movement in India
- vi. Life of Mughal through paintings
- vii. The Partition of India in 1947
- viii. Capital city – Hampi
- ix. Revolt of 1857.
- x. Colonial Cities-Bombay, Madras and Calcutta
- xi. Mahatama Gandhi and National movement

II. Answer the following questions :

**General instructions:**

(i) **Attempt all questions in your respective notebook.**

(ii) **Write your answers in 100 to 150 words each.**

1. Discuss the functions that may have been performed by the rulers of Harappan civilization. 4
2. How can you say that the people of Mohenjo-Daro were concerned about their privacy? 4
3. Write a short note on the religion of Harappa people. 4
4. What is the significance of the inscription of Ashoka in the Indian History? 4
5. Describe briefly the sources for reconstructing the history of the Gupta rulers? 4
6. What is Megalith? 2
7. What was the role of the Dhamma Mahamattas? 2
8. "The Mahabharata is a good source to study the social values of ancient times". Justify this statement with suitable arguments. 8
9. What are the differences and similarities between jati and Verna? 4
10. Discuss whether kings in early states were invariably Kshatriyas. 8
11. Explain why patriliney may have been particularly important among elite families. 4
12. Describe why and how stupas were built? 4
13. What led the spread of Buddhism? Explain in details. 4
14. Discuss the development in sculpture and architecture associated with the rise of Shaivism and Vaishnavism. 8
15. Summarise the central teaching of Jainism. 8
16. Discuss the extent to which Bernier's account enables historians to reconstruct contemporary rural society. 8
17. Write a note on the Kitab-ul-Hind. 4
18. Analyse the evidence for slavery provided by Ibn Battuta. 4
19. What were the problems faced by Ibn Battuta in India. 4
20. Who were Andal and Karaikkal Ammaiyar? What were their contribution? 4
21. Explain with examples what historians mean by integration of cults. 8
22. Analyse the relations which existed between the Chistis Sufi saints and the state. 8
23. Who started the Virashaiva tradition in Karnataka? What were its main principles? 8
24. Analyse the influence that the Tamil Bhakti saints had on the Chola rulers. 4
25. Who was Mirabai? What role did she play in the bhakti movement? 8