



**V & C Patel English School**  
**Half Yearly Exam**

**Std.: VIII**  
**Subject: Social Science**

**Max.Marks: 80**  
**Date: 20 /9/2017**  
**Time: 3 hrs**

**Instructions :**

- The question paper has 26 questions in all. All questions are compulsory.
- Questions from serial number 1 to 3 are One (1) marks questions each.
- Question from Serial Number 4 and 5 are Two (2) marks questions each.
- Question from Serial Number 6 to 18 are Three (3) marks questions each. Question number 18 is value based question. Answer of this question should not exceed 80 words.
- Question from Serial Number 19 to 24 are Four (4) marks questions each.
- Question number 25 and 26 are Five (5) marks questions each. Question number 26 is Map pointing from Geography only. After completion, attached the map inside your answer book.

- Who led the Company's army in the battle of Plassey? (1 X 3 =3)
- Who discovered the sea route of India ?
- Who was the ruler of England in 1600 ?
- What is rain water harvesting? (2 x 2 = 4)
- What is controversial law ?
- Explain Doctrine of Lapse. (3 x 13 = 39)
- What is the problem with the James Mill's periodisation of Indian History.
- How did the assumption of Diwani benefit the East India company?

Or

Write about the problems arose due to new Munro system?

- Imagine that you are a historian wanting to find out about Agriculture changed in a remote tribal area after independence. List the different ways in which you would find information on this.
- Why were Ryots reluctant to grow Indigo?
- Why people are considered as resource?
- Describe the different techniques used for mineral extraction.
- "Land is the most important resource"- Explain
- What are the three main organs of the Indian government and what their functions?



15. What is the importance of Universal adult franchise?

16. What are directive principles of state policy ?

17. How are laws for the country made?

18. "V&C Patel English School is secular in its approach" do you agree with this statement?  
Support your answer with three reasons.

19. What are the different types of Indigo cultivation process? Explain. (4 x 6 = 24)

20. What is an ore? Where are the ores of metallic minerals generally located?

21. Distinguish between---i) Conventional and Non conventional sources of energy.

ii) Potential resources and Actual resources

22. Explain Geothermal energy with diagram?

23. What do you understand by "Rule of law" and "Domestic violence .

24. How is Government formed in democracy?

25. Give reasons

i. Most industries are concentrated around coal mines

ii. Natural gas is popular eco-friendly fuel.

26. In the given map, locate two major producing states for each of the following minerals (5)

Manganese, Iron, Bauxite, Mica, Copper