

B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,  
NOVEMBER 2023.

First Semester

English – Core

SOCIAL HISTORY OF ENGLAND

(For those who joined in July 2021 – 2022)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. The greatest writer of the Middle English period, Geoffrey, Chaucer, lived during \_\_\_\_\_ reign.  
(a) Edward I  
(b) Edward II  
(c) Edward III  
(d) Edward IV

2. The most decisive fighting was the Battle of Sluys in \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) 1340 (b) 1313  
(c) 1330 (d) 1328
3. Feudalism or feudal system was the system of holding land from \_\_\_\_\_ on certain conditions.  
(a) Queen (b) Peasant  
(c) Owner (d) King
4. The Reformation refers to the greatest religious movement of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) 15<sup>th</sup> Century (b) 16<sup>th</sup> Century  
(c) 17<sup>th</sup> Century (d) 20<sup>th</sup> Century
5. The Elizabethan Age is one of the most \_\_\_\_\_ periods in England's history.  
(a) Fertile (b) Developed  
(c) Notable (d) Toughest
6. The presiding deity of Elizabethan stage was \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Wordsworth  
(b) Milton  
(c) William Shakespeare  
(d) Chaucer

7. Textiles were the dominant industry of the Industrial Revolution in terms of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Development  
(b) Agreement  
(c) Employment  
(d) Education
8. In \_\_\_\_\_, Wesley issued a Deed of Declaration giving legal status to the yearly Methodist conference.  
(a) 1771 (b) 1780  
(c) 1782 (d) 1784
9. The French Revolution had a major impact on Europe and the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) New World  
(b) Africa  
(c) Australia  
(d) North America
10. The literary genre, the novel, also came on the scene during the \_\_\_\_\_ Era.  
(a) Victorian  
(b) Elizabethan  
(c) Henry  
(d) Edward

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Write a short note on Black Death.  
Or  
(b) Explain Wars of the Roses.
12. (a) Write an account of Caxton's Contributions.  
Or  
(b) Briefly explain the education during Elizabethan England.
13. (a) Write a brief note on Oliver Cromwell.  
Or  
(b) Write a short note on the Quakers.
14. (a) Comment on the Focus of industrial revolution.  
Or  
(b) Write on the founder of the Methodist movement.

15. (a) State the reasons for the French Revolution.

Or

(b) Analyze the characteristics of Victorian society.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Discuss Peasants' Revolt.

Or

(b) Education sowed the seeds of awareness in Fifteenth Century English Society during Chaucer's time. Illustrate.

17. (a) Attempt an essay on Spanish Armada.

Or

(b) State the reasons which led to the Dissolution of the Monasteries during the reign of Henry VIII.

18. (a) Elaborate on the Coffee Houses in London.

Or

(b) Discuss the Social evils during the Age of Queen Anne.

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19. (a) Develop an essay on the social and political effects of the Industrial Revolution.

Or

(b) Infer the principles of Methodist movement.

20. (a) Summarize the effects Of French Revolution.

Or

(b) Observe the development of Education in Victorian England.

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