

St. Anthony's high School Faisal town Lahore.

Summer vacations Assignments. (2023)

Class: 8C

Subject: History.

Assignment:1

SOURCE A

In May 1876, Benjamin Disraeli, the Conservative Prime Minister, made Queen Victoria Empress of India. He said this would link the monarchy more closely with India and would underline Britain's position as a world power. The Queen was pleased with this arrangement and saw India as a jewel in the crown of her empire, a place full of vibrant colors, gems, fruits and spices. As such Queen Victoria viewed India as a land to be governed by British order and justice so that protection could be given to the Indian people against war, rebellion, famine and illiteracy.

Adapted from a history website

SOURCE B



An image portraying a legend about Tipu Sultan, ruler of Mysore (artist unknown)

Study the sources (Insert) carefully and then answer the questions which follow.

- (a) According to Source A, why was Queen Victoria made Empress of India? [3]
- (b) What can we learn from Source B about Tipu Sultan, ruler of Mysore? [5]
- (c) Explain the impact of railways on the lives of Indian people in the nineteenth century. [7]
- (d) To what extent were the different aims of Indian groups in 1857 the main reason why the War of Independence was short-lived? Explain your answer. [10]

Assignment:2

SOURCE A

There are few figures in history as controversial as Robert Clive. Some people described him as a soldier of initiative, courage and determination. Other people saw him as reckless and unprincipled, a rebel expelled from several schools for bad behavior. They said his victories at Arcot, Calcutta and Plassey were all the result of lucky gambles that put his men in unnecessary danger. It was also said that Clive used tactics that were sly and against the accepted codes of battle. Clive was also described as cruel, lacking in morality and greedy for personal wealth.

Adapted from an article in a British newspaper published in June 1988

Source B



A painting of Lieutenant-General Lord Cornwallis receiving the Mysorean Hostage Princes after the Third War at Seringapatnam in 1792, by Robert Home c.1793

This question is about the growing influence of the East India Company.

Study the sources (Insert) carefully and then answer the questions which follow.

- (a) According to Source A what were the personal characteristics of Robert Clive?[3]
- (b) What can we learn from Source B about the treatment of Indian hostages during the Mysore Wars? [5]
- (c) Explain why the East India Company was interested in the subcontinent in the years before 1750. [7]
- (d) To what extent were economic reforms the main cause of the War of Independence in 1857? Explain your answer. [10]

Assignment:3

Source A

If we are to exist as a nation and give shape to the dream of Pakistan, we will have to face the problems with determination and force. Our people are disorganized and disheartened by the difficulties we face. Their morale is low and we will have to work harder to pull them out of their despondency and galvanize them to action. All this throws a greater responsibility on government servants, to whom our people look for guidance. From a speech by Jinnah to government officials in October 1947.

Source B



- (a) According to Source A, what problems faced Pakistan in 1947? [3]
- (b) What does Source B tell us about Muslim refugees in 1947? [5]
- (c) Why did Pakistan join the United Nations in 1947? [7]
- (d) How successful was Quaid-e-Azam in establishing the new Pakistan in 1947? Explain your answer. [10]

Assignment:4

- A. What were the elements of Din -e- Illahi? [4]
- B. Why EIC interested in India? [7]
- C. Were Aurangzeb's policies effective to bring stability in Mughal Empire? [14]

Assignment:5

- (a) What was the Lucknow Pact? [4]
- (b) Why was the Muslim League established in 1906? [7]
- (c) 'The Khilafat Movement failed by 1924 because Gandhi withdrew his support.' Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. [14]

Assignment:6

Read the source below carefully to answer question

The authority of the Mughal emperors was declining by the end of Aurangzeb's reign in 1707. The Hindus were unhappy with aspects of his reign and after his death, began to exercise greater control over parts of the sub-continent. As a result, Muslim power and influence over India, which had been so strong, began to disintegrate. Many Muslims began to feel strongly about reviving Islam, including Haji Shariat Ullah.

- (a) Describe the achievements of Haji Shariat Ullah in reviving Islam. [4]
- (b) Explain why the East India Company became involved in the sub-continent during the seventeenth century. [7]
- (c) Was the introduction of the 'Doctrine of Lapse' in 1852 the most important reason for the War of Independence in 1857? Explain your answer. [14]

