

STEPHENS

INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL



WINTER BREAK

Holidays' Homework

Session – 2025-26

Class : 8th

Note: The assigned task of all the subjects is to be done on assignment sheets.

Subject : English

1. List various literary devices used in your text book with their examples.
2. Write a poem/article/short story/set of jokes or anything interesting to be included in the school magazine. Make sure that the writing is original, not copied from any source.

Subject : Hindi

- प्र:1. राजस्थान के जन-जीवन की एक झाँकी पाठ 'मेले का ऊँट' में दी गई है। पाठ का अध्ययन करें और इस पाठ में से पाँच संज्ञा, सर्वनाम, विशेषण, क्रिया तथा क्रिया-विशेषण को वाक्य के रूप में लिखें और उन शब्दों को रेखांकित करें।
- प्र:2. बिजली के संकट को लेकर दो व्यक्तियों की बातचीत लिखिए।
- प्र:3. वार्षिक पाठ्यक्रम (व्याकरण भाग) की दोहराई करें।
- निर्देश- उपर्युक्त कार्य पृष्ठ (A4 sheet) पर करें।

Subject : Mathematics

- Q1. If $n + \frac{1}{n} = 33$, find the value of $n^2 + \frac{1}{n^2}$.
- Q2. Find the product using identity $(305)^2$.
- Q3. Find the product of $-4b(c + a)$ and find its value if $a = 0$, $b = 1$, $c = -1$.
- Q4. In the following table x and y vary directly or indirectly?

x	7	9	13	21
y	21	27	39	63

- Q5. If x and y are in inverse proportion. Find the value of a , b and c .

x	25	15	b	10
y	3	a	4	c

Subject : Science

- Q1. What is sound? Explain how sound is produced and how it travels through a medium.
- Q2. Why can sound not travel in a vacuum? Give one experiment to support your answer.
- Q3. Define reflection of light. State the two laws of reflection and draw a neat labelled diagram.
- Q4. Differentiate between regular reflection and diffused reflection (any two points).
- Q5. What is the heating effect of electric current? Name two electrical appliances that work on this effect and explain one of them briefly.
- Q6. Explain how lightning is formed during a thunderstorm. What safety measures should be followed to protect ourselves from lightning?

Subject : Social Science

Instructions:

1. All work must be done neatly in the SST notebook / A4 sheets (as instructed).
2. Use blue/black pen only.
3. Diagrams and maps must be neat and labelled.
4. Maintain proper margins and headings.
5. Original work is appreciated.

Section – A : History

Q1. Answer the following questions:

1. How did colonialism affect local industries in India?
2. Explain the role of nationalism in opposing colonial rule.

Section – B : Geography

Q3. Explain the following terms:

1. Stamp Act
2. Death Valley
3. Battle of Gettysburg

Section – C : Civics

Competency-Based Question:

How does democracy ensure equality and participation of citizens in decision-making? Explain with one example.

Section – D : Case-Based / Activity

Read the case carefully and answer the questions that follow:

By the mid-19th century, the United States was divided into two distinct regions — the Northern States and the Southern States. The North was rapidly industrialising and supported the abolition of slavery, believing it to be morally wrong and economically unnecessary. In contrast, the South depended heavily on agriculture, especially cotton plantations, which relied on enslaved African Americans for labour.

Tensions increased over the expansion of slavery into new territories. The election of Abraham Lincoln in 1860, who opposed the spread of slavery, alarmed the Southern states. As a result, eleven Southern states seceded from the Union and formed the Confederate States of America.

This led to the outbreak of the American Civil War (1861–1865) between the Union (North) and the Confederacy (South).

During the war, President Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation (1863), declaring freedom for slaves in Confederate states. The war ended with the defeat of the Confederacy, preservation of the Union, and eventual abolition of slavery through the 13th Amendment. However, the post-war period brought new challenges, especially during Reconstruction, when the nation struggled to integrate formerly enslaved people into society.

Questions:

- Q1. What was the main economic difference between the Northern and Southern states?
- a) North depended on agriculture, South on industries
 - b) North depended on industries, South on plantation agriculture
 - c) Both depended on industries
 - d) Both depended on agriculture
- Q2. Why did the Southern states secede from the Union? (Answer in one or two sentences)
- Q3. Name the President of the USA during the Civil War. What was his stand on slavery?
- Q4. What was the significance of the Emancipation Proclamation of 1863?
- Q5. State any two consequences of the American Civil War.

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Holidays!