

SOCIAL STUDIES QUESTION BANK (2026-27)

STD:III

FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT:1

CHAPTER: 1

THE EARTH: OUR HOME

A. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:-

Q.1 What is the shape of the earth ?

A.1 The Earth is round in shape like an orange, slightly flat at the top and bottom.

Q.2 What do living beings need to live on the Earth ?

A.2 All living beings need air and water to live on the Earth.

Q.3 What is atmosphere ?

A.3 The envelope of air which surrounds the Earth is called atmosphere.

Q. 4 What is horizon ?

A.4 The place where the Earth and the sky appear to meet is called horizon.

Q.5 What is the difference between rotation and revolution?

A.5

Rotation	Revolution
1. It is the movement of the Earth on its own axis. 2. Rotation causes day and night.	1. It is movement of the Earth around the Sun in its own orbit. 2. Revolution causes different seasons.

3. The Earth takes 24 hours to complete one rotation.

3. The Earth takes one year to complete one revolution.

B. CASE STUDY BASED QUESTIONS :-

Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

Earth is the third planet of our solar system. Earth's shape is round like a ball. In fact, the Earth is round like an orange slightly flat at the top and bottom. It consist of living and non-living things. The Earth's surface is covered with water and land. The Earth is covered with 71% water. There is a layer of air called atmosphere.

1. Earth is covered with _____ water.

a. 71% (✓)

b. 80%

c. 90%

2. The earth's surface is covered with

a. Water

b. Land

c. Both a and b (✓)

3. The envelope of air which surrounds the Earth is called

a. sphere

b. hydrosphere

c. atmosphere (✓)

CHAPTER - 2

HOW OUR EARTH LOOKS

A. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:-

Q.1 How many directions are there ?

A.1 There are four directions – East, West, North and South.

Q.2 What is a map ?

A.2 A map is a drawing of the Earth or a part of it on a flat surface.

Q.3 What is the compass ?

A.3 The compass is an instrument which helps to know the directions.

Q. 4 What is the difference between an ocean and a continent ?

A. 4

OCEAN	CONTINENT
1. Oceans are huge water bodies. 2. Oceans are vast. 3. There are five oceans on the Earth.	1. Continents are large landmasses. 2. Continents are smaller than oceans. 3. There are seven continents on the Earth.

Q.5 What are oceans? Name any two.

A.5 Oceans are very large bodies of water. Example: Pacific Ocean and Atlantic Ocean.

Q.6 Name the largest and the smallest continent?

A.6 Asia is the largest continent and Australia is the smallest continent.

Q.7 Why are maps easier to use than globes?

A.7 Maps are easy to carry and can show detailed information about places.

B. DEFINE THE FOLLOWING TERMS:-

- 1. Compass – An instrument used to find directions.**
- 2. World Map – A map showing the whole Earth.**
- 3. Wall Map – A large map hung on walls.**

C. FILL IN THE BLANKS:-

- 1. The globe is a model of the earth.**
- 2. The blue colour on the map shows the water bodies.**
- 3. The brown colour on the map shows the land areas.**
- 4. The needle of the compass always point to the north direction.**
- 5. Asia is the largest continent on the Earth.**

D. CASE STUDY BASED QUESTIONS :-

Read the passage given below and answer the following questions:-

In the geography lab, Kabir saw a big, round ball that looked exactly like a mini Earth. His teacher told him it is called a globe. The teacher explained that while a globe shows the correct shape of the Earth, we cannot see all the places on it at once. To see all the

places together, we use flat drawings of the Earth called maps, which can be easily folded and carried anywhere.

1. What is a mini model of the Earth called?

- a. Map
- b. Globe (✓)
- c. Atmosphere

2. What do we use to see all the places of the Earth together at one time?

- a. Map (✓)
- b. Globe
- c. Sphere

3. State one advantage of using a map over a globe.

- a. It is round like a ball
- b. It can rotate on an axis
- c. It is flat and can be easily folded (✓)

CHAPTER: 3

PHYSICAL DIVISIONS OF INDIA

A. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

Q.1 What is the population of India?

A.1 The population of India is over 121 crores.

Q.2 Name the highest mountain peak of the world.

A.2 The highest mountain peak of the world is Mount Everest.

Q.3 What is the difference between an Island and a Northern Plains?

A.3

Island	Northern Plains
1. Island are surrounded by water on all sides.	1. Northern Plains are flat or level lands formed by rivers.
2. Islands have moderate climate.	2. Northern Plains have very hot summers and cold winters.

Q.4 What are the physical divisions of India ?

A.4 The five physical divisions of India are:-

(i) The North and North- Eastern Mountains

(ii) The Northern Plains

(iii) The Great Indian Desert

(iv) The Peninsular Plateau

(v) The Islands

Q.5 Why are the Northern Plains good for farming?

A.5 The Northern Plains are good for farming because the land is flat and very fertile.

Q.6 Name two groups of islands in India.

A.6 The two groups of islands are Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Lakshadweep Islands.

B. DEFINE THE FOLLOWING :-

1. Mountains: Very high landforms with steep sides and peaks, often covered with snow.

2. Plains: Large areas of flat land that are very fertile and good for farming.

3. Peninsula: A piece of land that is surrounded by water on three sides.

C. CASE STUDY BASED QUESTIONS :-

Read the passage given below and answer the following questions:-

Ravi lives in the seventh largest country in the world. That country is the second most populous country in the world. Over 130 crore people live there. This country from the north to the south is about 3,200 kilometres long and from the west to the east it is about 3,000 kilometres wide. It has many high mountain ranges, rivers and plains.

1. Name the country in which Ravi lives.

a. Bangladesh

b. China

c. India (✓)

2. Which neighbouring country has the largest population in the world?

a. Japan

b. China (✓)

c. Bangladesh

3. _____ are vast stretches of flat land.

a. Hills

b. Mountains

c. Plains (✓)