



**ACADEMIC SESSION 2017-18**  
**HOLIDAYS HOMEWORK**  
**SUBJECT: SOCIAL SCIENCE**  
**CLASS: VIII**

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Answer all the questions given below

- Q1. Why are manual scavengers one of the most oppressed sections of the society? Name the act that forbades the employment of manual scavengers. (3)
- Q2. Mention few crimes listed in the Prevention of Atrocities Act of 1989. (4)
- Q3. What guidelines does the police have to follow while conducting an investigation? (4)
- Q4. Subsistence farming can only satisfy the basic needs of a farmer's family. Give reasons for this. (2)
- Q5. What is commercial grain farming? How is it different from mixed farming? (2)
- Q6. Enlist the main features of Lord Macaulay's recommendations. (3)
- Q7. Discuss the merits of the education system introduced by the British in India. (2)
- Q8. Analyze the role of Pandita Ramabai as a social reformer. (3)
- Q9. Why were parents in earlier days apprehensive about sending their girls to school? (2)
- Q10. What do you understand by the term Plantation? What are the geographical conditions required for the growth of tea? (2+2)
- Q11. Was James Mill an Anglicist or an Orientalist? Give three reasons to justify your stand. (3)
- Q12. Describe the stages of production of cloth followed by the early weaving communities. (3)
- Q13. State the reasons for the decline of iron smelting in India in the late nineteenth century. (3)
- Q14. How can a judge ensure a fair trial for an accused? (5)
- Q15. What makes certain people feel marginalized in the society/surroundings in which they live? (2)