

Competency-Based Questions

Subject- History Class: IX

Ch. 2 Socialism in Europe and the Russian Revolution

- 1. Which of the following was the main reason for Lenin not to support peasant's role in a socialist movement? 1m
 - A. All the Russian peasants were wealthy.
 - B. Russian peasants were already practicing socialism by pooling their land.
 - C. Peasants were not one united group as there were capitalist peasants also.
 - D. Peasants were illiterate.

Ans.

- 2. Which of the following was the immediate cause of the workers to start a strike in Petrograd on 23rd February, 1917? 1m
 - i. Food shortage
 - ii. Suspension of the Duma
 - iii. Lockout at a factory
 - iv. None of the above

Ans.

3. Which of the following is correctly matched?

- A. Lenin ----- Head of Military Revolutionary Committee
- B. Trotsky ----- Leader of the Socialist revolutionaries
- C. Kerensky ----- Prime Minister of the Provisional Government
- D. Stalin ----- Military commander Under Kerensky

Ans.

4. Two statements are given in the question below as Assertion (A) and Reasoning (R). Read the statements and choose the appropriate option.

Assertion (A): Workers were a divided social group. Some had strong links with the villages from which they came.

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Reason (R): Workers were divided by skill.

Options:

- A. Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.
- B. Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- C. A is true, but R is false.
- D. A is false, but R is true.

Ans.

5. Identify the incorrect statement about the Five-Year Plans.

A. It was introduced in 1917 by the Bolsheviks.

- B. It set target for five-year period.
- C. All prices were fixed.
- D. It led to economic growth.

Ans.

6. Which of the following was/were believed to be cause/s of grain shortages during Stalin's time? 1m

- I. Five-Year Plan
- II. Holding of stocks by rich peasants and traders
- III. Small size holdings
- IV. Collective farms

Options:

- A. ii-iii
- B. ii-iv
- C. iii-iv
- D. Only iv

Ans.

7. Which of the following is not correctly matched?

- A. Lenin ----- Head of Bolsheviks
- B. Stalin ----- Successor of Lenin
- C. Kulaks ----- Socialist revolutionaries
- D. Jadidists ----- Muslim reformers

Ans.

8. Two statements are given in the question below as Assertion (A) and Reasoning (R). Read the statements and choose the appropriate option. 1m

Assertion (A): From 1929, the party forced all peasants to cultivate in collective farms.

Reason (R): Enraged peasants resisted the authorities and destroyed their livestock. Options:

- A. Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.
- B. Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- C. A is true, but R is false.
- D. A is false, but R is true.

Ans.

9. Which of the following steps of the Bolsheviks suggest that they encouraged colonial people to follow their experiment.? 1m

- A. Organised Conference of the East where non-Russians participated
- B. It forced colonial people to rise in revolution
- C. It conquered the poor countries of Asia
- D. It fought against Great Britain in the Second World war to liberate the colonies

Ans.

10. Arrange the following in chronological order-

- i. Bloody Sunday incident
- ii. Treaty of Brest Litovsk
- iii. Introduction of Collectivisation
- iv. February Revolution
- A. i- ii- iii- iv
- B. ii-iv-iii-i
- C. i-iv-iii-ii
- D. i- iv-ii- iii

Ans.

1m

11. Read Box 1 and answer the following questions:

'Moscow appears much less clean than other European capitals. None of those hurrying along the streets look smart. The whole place belonged to the workers Here the masses have not in the least been put in the shade by the gentlemen..... those who lived in the background for ages have come forward in the open today...... I thought of the peasants and workers in my own country. It all seem like the work of the Genii in the Arabian Nights. [here] only a few decades ago they were as illiterate, helpless and hungry as our own masses.....Who could be more astonished than an unfortunate Indian like myself to see how they had removed the mountain of ignorance and helplessness in these few years.'

(i)	What did the author find impressive about the USSR?	1m
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(ii) What led to the dramatic transformation in USSR according to you? 1m

(iii) What similarities observed by the author between India and Russia prior to the Russian Revolution? 1m
