

(FOR THE CANDIDATES ADMITTED

DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2022

ONLY)

REG.NO.

22UHY5E4

N.G.M.COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) : POLLACHI

END-OF-SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS : NOVEMBER 2024

B.A HISTORY

MAXIMUM MARKS: 50

SEMESTER-V

TIME : 3 HOURS

PART – III
22UHY5E4-ARCHAEOLOGY

SECTION – A

(10 X 1 = 10) MARKS

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

(K1)

1. The earliest evidence of Homo sapiens in India was found in: _____
 a) Bhimbetka b) Mehrgarh c) Lothal d) Kalibangan
2. The Carbon-14 dating method is primarily used to date: _____
 a) Metal objects b) Fossilized remains c) Organic materials d) Rock formations
3. The largest site of the Indus Valley Civilization is: _____
 a) Mohenjo-daro b) Harappa c) Dholavira d) Lothal
4. The Brahmi script was deciphered by: _____
 a) James Princep b) Max Müller c) Alexander Cunningham d) Mortimer Wheeler
5. Robert Bruce Foote is known as the father of: _____
 a) Indian Prehistory b) Indian Numismatics c) Indian Epigraphy d) Indian Paleontology

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING IN ONE (OR) TWO SENTENCES

(K2)

6. The Paleolithic Period is also known as the _____ Age.
7. The study of soil layers to determine the relative age of artifacts is called _____.
8. The Keezhadi excavation has revealed insights into the ancient culture of _____.
9. The study of ancient coins is called _____.
10. Sir Mortimer Wheeler applied the technique of _____ excavation in India.

SECTION – B

(5 X 3 = 15 MARKS)

ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. (K3)

11. a) Describe the characteristics of the Paleolithic Period

(OR)

- b) Briefly describe the main features of the Neolithic Period.

(CONTD 2)

12. a) Explain the process of Carbon-14 dating.
(OR)
 b) What is the importance of systematic excavation in archaeology?

13. a) Name two significant archaeological sites in Tamil Nadu and their importance.
(OR)
 b) What are the distinguishing features of Indus Valley pottery?

14. a) How did coins contribute to the economic life of ancient India?
(OR)
 b) What is the significance of symbols in ancient writing systems?

15. a) Describe the role of Alexander Cunningham in the establishment of the Archaeological Survey of India.
(OR)
 b) Who was Robert Bruce Foote, and what was his contribution to Indian archaeology?

SECTION – C **(5 X 5 = 25 MARKS)**

ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.(K4 (Or) K5)

16. a) Explain the transition from the Paleolithic to the Neolithic Period and its impact on early human societies.
(OR)
 b) Discuss the importance of Megalithic structures

17.a) Analyze the importance of exploration techniques in locating archaeological sites and the initial steps in excavation. **(OR)**
 b) Evaluate the challenges involved in archaeological excavation and the techniques used to overcome them.

18. a) Critically analyze the contributions of archaeological sites in Tamil Nadu to the understanding of South Indian cultural history. **(OR)**
 b) Trace the importance of ancient pottery in reconstructing the daily life and economy of ancient civilizations.

19.a) Discuss the development of ancient Indian scripts and their role in the communication and administration of early civilizations. **(OR)**
 b) Evaluate the historical significance of Hero Stones in commemorating warrior culture in South India.

20. a) Explain the archaeological methods and contributions of Sir Mortimer Wheeler to Indian archaeology
(OR)
 b) Describe the significance of James Princep's decipherment of the Brahmi script.