STANDARD NINE - SOCIAL SCIENCE

Unit 1 - Evolution of Humans and Society - Prehistoric Period

I. Choose the correct answer

1. _____ is genetically closest to humans
(a) Gorilla (b) Chimpanzee (c) Orang-utan (d) Great Apes

2. The period called _____ marks the beginning of agriculture and animal domestication.
(a) Paleolithic (b) Mesolithic (c) Neolithic (d) Megalithic

3. Direct ancestor of modern man was _____.
(a) Homo habilis (b) Homo erectus (c) Homo sapiens (d) Neanderthal man

4. _____ refers to the area covering Egypt, Israel-Palestine and Iraq.
(a) Great Rift Valley (b) Fertile Crescent (c) Solo river (d) Neander Valley

5. Sir Robert Bruce Foote, a geologist from England first discovered the _____ tools at Pallavaram near Chennai.
(a) Microlithic (b) Paleolithic (c) Mesolithic (d) Neolithic

6. (i) The period before the introduction of writing is called pre-history.
(ii) The pre-historic people developed language, made beautiful paintings and artefacts.
(iii) The pre-historic societies are treated as literate.
(iv) The pre-historic period is called ancient.
(a) (i) is correct
(b) (i) and (ii) are correct
(c) (i) and (iv) are correct
(d) (ii) and (iii) are correct

7. (i) The Neolithic people used polished stone axes called Celts
(ii) Evidence of Neolithic village is found at Payyampalli in Chennai district
(iii) The cultural period that succeeded the Neolithic is called the Bronze Age
(iv) The period that witnessed domestication of animals and cultivation of crops is called Mesolithic
a) (i) is correct b) (ii) is correct
c) (ii) and (iii) are correct d) (iv) is correct

8. Assertion (A): Many of the Mesolithic sites are founds nearby rivers and tanks.
Reason (R): Irrigation management developed during Mesolithic period.
a) A and R are correct and R explains A
b) A and R are correct but R doesn't explain A
c) A is correct but R is incorrect
d) A and R both are incorrect

9. Find out the correct statement
a) The concept 'survival of the fittest' contributed to the scientific understanding of human origins.
b) The book "On the Origin of Species" was published by Herbert Spencer.
c) Darwin ' s theory of biological evolution connects with the process of natural selection.
d) Geology is the study of lithic technology.

10. Find out the correct statement
a) Among the great Apes Orang utan is genetically the closest to humans.
b) The ancestors to humans were called Hominins and their origins have been traced to Africa.
c) Flake canot be used for tool making.
d) Acheulian is the main block of stone from which small chips are flaked by using a hammer stone.

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