Revision

Q. 1 Fill in the blanks:

a. Some of the earliest people who lived on the banks of river Narmada were skilled _____ and _____. ½+ ½ = 1

b. Some of the areas where people first started to grow crops like wheat and barley, were _____ and _____ hills. 1

c. Wheat and barley started to be cultivated about _____ years ago in India. 1

d. Rice was first grown to the north of the _____. 1

e. Some of the earliest cities flourished _____ years ago on the banks of river _____ and its tributaries. ½+ ½ = 1

Q.2 Choose the correct option.

a. The word India comes from: 1

i. Indus

ii. Iran

iii. People of the Bharata clan

b. The earliest composition in Sanskrit was: 1

i. Upanishad

ii. Manuscript

iii. Rig Veda

c. Early manuscripts were written in: 1

i. Pali, Sanskrit, Hindi

ii. Pali, Sanskrit, Brahmi

iii. Pali, Sanskrit, Tamil

d. Historians study the past using: 1

i. Sources

ii. Archaeologists

iii. Remains

e. Archaeologists 1

i. Study the past

ii. Find out about the past through excavations

iii. Explore, excavate and study objects and remains of the past.

f. Kings often kept records of victories in battle and their orders in the form of: 1

i. Inscriptions

ii. Manuscripts

iii. Royal decree

Q.3 Answer carefully.

List any 5 subjects early books dealt with? List 3 main types of writing (genres) common in those days. 2 ½ + 1½

Subjects early books dealt with are:

i.

ii.

iii.

iv.

v.

3 genres are:

i.

ii.

iii.

Q.4 Give reasons for each of the following.

a. Rice was first cultivated north of the Vindhyas. 2

b. Around 2500 years ago, cities developed on the banks of river Ganga and the sea coast. 2

c. Books written long ago are called manuscripts. 2

d. Plant remains survive rarely. 2