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HISTORY & GEOGRAPHY

(Subject Code No. 142 R)

Time: 1 hour

Instructions to Candidates

1. Check that this question paper contains 4 questions printed on 12 pages numbered 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

2. Write your Index Number on the question paper in the space provided above.

3. You should not use red ink in answering questions.

4. Write all your answers clearly on the question paper.

5. Attempt all questions.

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SECTION A

For each item in Questions 1A and 1B, circle the letter which shows the correct answer.

Example: Rodrigues is found in the
   A  Arctic Ocean.
   B  Atlantic Ocean.
   C  Indian Ocean.
   D  Pacific Ocean.

Question 1A (16 marks) (Rodrigues)

Study Map 1 and then answer items 1 to 5.

Map 1
1. Mount E is
   A  Mont Grenade.
   B  Mont Quatre Vents.
   C  Mont Limon.
   D  Mont Persil.

2. Where is Caverne Patate located?
   A  On the Central Ridge.
   B  In Plaine Corail.
   C  At the mouth of a river.
   D  In a river valley.

3. Dotted line F joins places which are 200 metres above sea level.
   Dotted line F is
   A  a contour line.
   B  an isohyet.
   C  an isotherm.
   D  a river.

4. The distance in a straight line from Port Mathurin to Pointe Coton is about
   A  2 km.
   B  4 km.
   C  6 km.
   D  8 km.

5. What is the direction of the airport from Port Mathurin?
   A  North East.
   B  South East.
   C  North West.
   D  South West.
6. Island H where there is an active volcano is
   A  Réunion Island.
   B  Grande Comore.
   C  Madagascar.
   D  Sumatra (Indonesia).

7. Which **one** of the following is in the Chagos Archipelago?
   A  Agalega
   B  Rodrigues
   C  Diego Garcia
   D  Saint Brandon

8. Which **one** of these cities is located at latitude 8° N and longitude 80° E?
   A  Chennai
   B  Colombo
   C  Bangkok
   D  Addis Ababa
Question 1B (16 marks)

1. Which one of these mountain ranges is found in Asia?
   
   A  The Atlas  
   B  The Andes  
   C  The Himalaya  
   D  The Alps

2. Which one of these natural hazards is caused by the weather and climate?
   
   A  A tropical cyclone  
   B  A volcanic eruption  
   C  An earthquake  
   D  A tsunami

3. Diagram 1 shows how convectional rain is formed. The two arrows X and Y show
   
   A  heavy rains.  
   B  hot air rising.  
   C  the ground.  
   D  thunderclouds.

4. In Rodrigues, Plaine Coral is made up of a white rock known as
   
   A  alluvium.  
   B  basalt.  
   C  limestone.  
   D  tuff.
5. The first Dutch sailor who landed in Rodrigues was
   
   A  Diego Rodriguez.
   B  Wolphart Harmensen.
   C  Pieter Both.
   D  Wybrant Warwick.

6. In 1722, the first French governor Denis de Nyon started a settlement in Ile de France at
   
   A  Pamplemousses.
   B  Baie du Cap.
   C  Souillac.
   D  Grand Port.

7. To build the town of Port Louis, French governor Mahé de Labourdonnais brought masons and carpenters mainly from
   
   A  Mozambique.
   B  Senegal.
   C  Madagascar.
   D  India.

8. Study Pictures 1, 2, 3 and 4.

   Picture 1  Picture 2  Picture 3  Picture 4

Who became the first Prime Minister of Mauritius after independence in 1968?

   A  Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam
   B  Sir Abdool Raman Osman
   C  Sir Anerood Jugnauth
   D  Sir Veerasamy Ringadoo
Question 2  (28 marks)

A very long time ago in Mauritius, the Dutch lived at Grand Port.

1. Fill in the blanks in sentences (a) to (e) with suitable words. Choose from the list of words given below.

   sugar cane  fort  dodo
   harbour  ebony  hut

(a) Dutch ships used the Bay of Grand Port as a ..........................................

(b) The Dutch cut .................................................. trees to export wood in Europe.

(c) The Dutch built a .................................. to defend themselves.

(d) The Dutch killed the ........................................... bird for food.

(e) The Dutch brought the .................................................. plant from Java.

2. Study Pictures 5 and 6 which show spices cultivated by Pierre Poivre in Ile de France.

(a) Name one spice which Pierre Poivre cultivated in Ile de France.

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(b) Name one country or region from which spice plants were brought to Ile de France.

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(c) What is the name of the garden where Pierre Poivre started to cultivate spice plants?

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3. Study Diagrams 2 and 3 carefully.

In Diagram 2, Thermometer A shows the maximum temperature at Vacoas, in Mauritius, on 8 June 2016.

In Diagram 3, Thermometer B shows the minimum temperature at Vacoas on 8 June 2016.

(a) Tick ( ✓ ) the box which shows the correct answer.

The maximum temperature (Thermometer A) at Vacoas was

15°C [ ] 23°C [ ] 28°C [ ]

(b) Give one reason why the temperature is lower at night (Thermometer B).

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4. **Diagram 4** shows how land is used in an area of Mauritius.

Use the words from the list below to name the types of land use at A, B, C, D, and E in **Diagram 4**.

The land use at A has already been done for you.

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SECTION B

Question 3   (20 marks)

1. Study Diagram 5 carefully. It shows places where slaves lived on a plantation in Mauritius before the abolition of slavery in 1835 (British period).

Diagram 5: A plantation before the abolition of slavery in 1835.

Now answer questions (a) to (d).

(a) Give one reason why a lot of sugar cane was grown on the plantation.

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(b) Why was manioc also planted?

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(c) The slaves planted sugar cane and manioc. List two other activities of the slaves on the plantation.

(i) ......................................................................................................................................................

(ii) ......................................................................................................................................................
(d) The life of a slave was very hard on a plantation.

(i) Some slaves escaped from the plantations. How were these slaves called?

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(ii) Owners of plantations were afraid of slaves who escaped from the plantations. Give one reason why.

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2. Study Pictures 7, 8 and 9 carefully. They show different means of transport used in Mauritius in the past. Then answer questions (a) and (b).

(a) Name two means of transport which were used in Mauritius before the railways were built by the British in the 19th century.

(i) .............................................................. (ii) ..............................................................

(b) The train (Picture 9) was a better means of transport. Give one reason why.

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Question 4 (20 marks)

1. Study Map 3 carefully. It shows the northern part of Mauritius. Then answer questions (a), (b), (c), and (d).

(a) What does the symbol ▼ represent on Map 3?

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(b) Give one reason why Grand Baie has become an important tourist resort.

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(c) Give two advantages that the development of tourism has brought to this part of Mauritius.

(i) ........................................................................................................................................................................
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(ii) ........................................................................................................................................................................
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(d) Give one reason why Solitude is a good location for the industrial estate.

2. Study Diagram 6 carefully. It shows an area where agriculture is practised in Rodrigues. Then answer questions (a), (b) and (c).

Diagram 6

(a) Give one reason why terraces have been built on the sloping lands.

(b) (i) Name the type of farming which farmers practise along river valleys and near river mouths.

(ii) Give one reason why this type of farming is practised there.

(c) Today, farmers are using new methods of farming. Give one example of a new method of farming.