

Chapter - 3 | Exploring Society : India & Beyond

QUIZ-01

1. The Marathas were native to which region?

- A. Punjab
- B. Deccan plateau
- C. Bengal
- D. Rajasthan (B)

Explanation: The chapter says the Marathas were native to the Deccan plateau, especially present-day Maharashtra.

2. Which language is closely linked with the Marathas?

- A. Marathi
- B. Tamil
- C. Persian
- D. Sanskrit (A)

Explanation : The Marathas are identified with Marathi, which has a rich literary history.

3. Chhatrapati Shivaji was born in which year?

- A. 1630
- B. 1657
- C. 1674
- D. 1680 (A)

Explanation: The chapter mentions 1630 as the birth year of Chhatrapati Shivaji.

4. Chhatrapati Shivaji was crowned at which fort?

- A. Pratapgad
- B. Sindhudurg
- C. Raigad
- D. Gingee (C)

Explanation: Shivaji was coronated at Raigad Fort in 1674.

5. Guerrilla warfare mainly used what?

- A. Large armies only
- B. Speed, surprise and terrain knowledge
- C. Naval trade passes
- D. Heavy taxes (B)

Explanation : Guerrilla warfare used small groups with speed, surprise and knowledge of terrain.

6. Who was killed by Shivaji using the wāgh nakh?

- A. Shaista Khan
- B. Afzal Khan
- C. Jai Singh
- D. Aurangzeb (B)

Explanation: The chapter states that Shivaji used the wāgh nakh against Afzal Khan.

7. What was the aṣṭa pradhāna maṇḍala?

- A. Eight forts
- B. Eight ministers
- C. Eight taxes
- D. Eight ships (B)

Explanation : It was Shivaji's council of eight ministers for administration.

8. Chauth was how much of the revenue?

- A. 10%
- B. 20%
- C. 25%
- D. 50% (C)

Explanation : Chauth was a tax of 25 percent collected by the Marathas.

9. The Maratha armed forces had how many main parts?

- A. Two
- B. Three
- C. Four
- D. Five (B)

Explanation : The Maratha army was divided into infantry, cavalry and navy.

10. Who rebuilt many temples and promoted Maheshwar weaving?

- A. Tarabai
- B. Ahilyabai Holkar
- C. Jijabai
- D. Nana Phadnavis (B)

Explanation : Ahilyabai Holkar restored temples and promoted the Maheshwar weaving industry.