

**SECOND SEMESTER U.G. DEGREE (SUPPLEMENTARY) EXAMINATION
DECEMBER 2012**

(CCSS)

History

HY 2B 02, HD 2B 02—METHODOLOGY OF HISTORY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A (Objective Type Questions)

*Answer **all** twelve questions,
Each question carries $\frac{1}{4}$ weightage.*

Choose the correct answer :

1. The author of "Prison Notebooks" :

(a) Antonio Gramsci.

(b) Ranajit Guha.

(c) G.R. Elton.

(d) Jenkins.

2. The historian who remarked that "History is an unending dialogue between the present and the past" :

(a) Jenkins.

(b) E.H. Carr.

(c) Seeley.

(d) R.G. Collingwood.

3. The laboratory of the researcher in History :

(a) Documents.

(b) Books.

(c) Library.

(d) Catalogue.

4. The last step in research :

(a) Collection of facts.

(b) Criticism of facts.

(c) Synthesis of facts.

(d) Exposition.

Fill in the blanks :

5. The science that deals with the details of books is known as

(a) Linguistics.

(b) Bibliography.

(c) Chronology.

(d) Palaeography.

6. _____ is inevitable in History.

(a) Objectivity.

(b) Subjectivity.

(c) Plagiarism.

(d) Dilettantism.

Turn over

7. A branch of knowledge relating to the art of writing history is known as :
- (a) Historiography. (b) Hypothesis.
(c) Hermeneutics. (d) Historicity.
8. The book "Generalisation in the Writing of History" is authored by :
- (a) R.G. Collingwood. (b) Arthur Marwick.
(c) E.H. Carr. (d) Gottschalk.

Write True or False :

9. **The** term research means "to seek" or "to find out".
10. A hypothesis is a tentative conclusion.
11. Epigraphy is a system of application of quantification and statistical methods to historical studies.
12. A good index would refer to the page number of important items, personalities, events, places, happenings and such other details as occur in the body of the thesis.

(12 x = 3 weightage)

Section B

*Answer all **nine** questions.
Each question carries 1 weightage.*

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| 13. Istoria. | 14. Numismatics. |
| 15. Archives. | 16. Quotations. |
| 17. Book Review. | 18. Card system. |
| 19. Thesis. | 20. Online research. |
| 21. Historical fact. | |

(9 x 1 = 9 weightage)

Section C (Short Essays)

*Answer any **five** questions.
Each question carries 2 weightage.*

22. "History is **the art of choosing from among many lies that one which most resembles the truth.**" Explain.
23. **What are the qualities of a good historian ?**
24. **Write a note on Oral History.**
25. **Mention any *four* historical fallacies and illustrate them.**
26. **What is a footnote ? Explain the need for it in research.**
27. **Distinguish between Quantitative and Qualitative research.**
28. **Summarise the effects of distortions of History.**

(5 x 2 = 10 weightage)

Section D (Essays)

*Answer any **two** questions.
Each question carries **4** weightage.*

29. "Objective historian is one who forms judgments on the basis of the evidence despite his own pre-conceptions." Comment.
30. Explain the methods in ascertaining the veracity of sources.
31. Critically examine the contributions of subaltern historians.

(2 x 4 = 8 weightage)