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**THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2009**

## History (Main)

## Paper II—PRINCIPLES AND METHODS OF ARCHAEOLOGY

(2004 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

### Section A (Short Answer)

*Answer **all** questions.*

*Each question carries 5 marks.*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ propounded the three Age system.  
(a) Charles Darwin. (b) Lewis Binford.  
(c) C.J. Thomsen. (d) David Clarke.
2. Altamira is known for its \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) Palaeolithic tools. (b) Cave Paintings.  
(c) Pyramids. (d) Tombs.
3. The City of Troy was located by \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) Glyn Daniel. (b) Henrich Scheliemann.  
(c) R.E.M. Wheeler. (d) Pitt Rivers.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is a Biblical site.  
(a) Harappa. (b) Olduvai Gorge.  
(c) Ur. (d) Jerico.
5. 'Artefact' refers to \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) Man made object. (b) A method of exploration.  
(c) Conservation method. (d) None of the above.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ was the main scholar who propounded 'New Archaeology'.  
(a) Clarke. (b) Binford.  
(c) Hodder. (d) Thapar.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ was known as father of Indian Archaeology.  
(a) Foote. (b) Fleet.  
(c) Marshal. (d) Cunningham.

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8. Horizontal method of encavation is used for digging ———
- (a) Burials. (b) Towns and Cities.  
(c) Stupas. (d) Trial Trench.
9. What is the half-life of C-14 ?
- (a) 4600 years. (b) 5200 years.  
(c) 7300 years. (d) 5730 years.
10. Green colour encrustation is produced when ——— is delayed.
- (a) Iron Object. (b) Silver.  
(c) Copper. (d) Gold.

(10 x 1 = 10 marks)

**Section B (Short Essay)**

*Answer any **eight** questions.  
Each question carries 5 marks.*

11. What was the contribution of Sir Mortimer Wheeler to Indian Archaeology ?
12. Write a note on stratigraphy and its importance.
13. Discuss the role of scientific aids in surface survey.
14. What are the tools/equipment required for archaeological excavation and documentation.
15. How archaeology and anthropology are inter related ?
16. Write notes on the following : —
- (a) Site/Trench Notebook.  
(b) Antiquity Register.  
(c) Three dimensional recording.
17. Is archaeology a hard science ? Present your arguments.
18. Differentiate between absolute and Relative dating methods.
19. Discuss the methods of analysis and interpretation after excavation.
20. Planning and Personnel required for an achaeological excavation—Discuss.
21. Write a note on the conservation of metal objects.
22. What are the methods and techniques in museum display ?

(8 x 5 = 40 marks)

**Section C (Essay)**

*Answer any **two** questions.  
Each question carries 15 marks.*

23. Write notes on the following : —

- (a) Archaeomagnetic dating.
- (b) Potassium Argon dating.
- (c) Fluorine – Phosphate dating.

24. Discuss the techniques used for excavating mud and brickwalls, pits and megalithic burials.

25. Bring out the developments in Indian Archaeology in the 20th century.

26. What are the theoretical developments in Archaeology ? Elaborate.

(2 x 15 = 30 marks)