



WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY
B.Sc. Honours 2nd Semester Examination, 2022

ANTACOR03T-ANTHROPOLOGY (CC3)

(NEW AND OLD SYLLABUS)

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.*

NEW SYLLABUS

1. Answer any **two** questions from the following: (within 800-1000 words) 10×2 = 20
 - (a) Why the methods of Estimation of time is important in archaeology? What are the major differences between chronometric and non-chronometric dating techniques? Briefly describe any relative dating method. 2+3+5
 - (b) Briefly discuss the importance of Paleoenvironmental study in paleoanthropology and prehistory. What are the major causes of glaciation in Europe during Pleistocene? 5+5
 - (c) Discuss the nature of cultural adaptation in different geographic zones of Europe during Mesolithic period. 10
 - (d) Briefly describe the Neolithic cultural period in India with major sites of reference. 10

2. Answer any **two** questions from the following: (within 300-400 words) 5×2 = 10
 - (a) What are the major evidences of Pleistocene period for reconstruction of palaeo-environment? 5
 - (b) Briefly describe the Oldowan culture of Africa. 5
 - (c) What are the major differences between site survey/excavation and site survey/exploration? 5
 - (d) What are the major advantages and disadvantages of C₁₄ method? 5

3. Answer any **five** questions from the following: (within 25-30 words) 1×5 = 5
 - (a) Why Bhimbetka is famous in Indian Prehistory?
 - (b) What is datum point?
 - (c) What is three-age-system?
 - (d) What is Topikal?
 - (e) What are the pluvial periods in Africa?
 - (f) What is the type site of Mousterian culture of Europe?
 - (g) What is assemblage?
 - (h) What is the function of graver?

4. Choose the correct answer: 1×5 = 5
- (a) Harpoons are associated with
 (i) Acheulian (ii) Mousterian (iii) Magdalenian (iv) None
- (b) The book 'Environment & Archaeology' is written by
 (i) K. Butzer (ii) F. Bordes (iii) M. Wheeler (iv) K.P. Oakley
- (c) What do Prehistorians study?
 (i) Culture before written history (ii) Past civilization
 (iii) Culture: Past and Present (iv) None
- (d) Birbahanpur is situated in
 (i) Bihar (ii) West Bengal (iii) Assam (iv) None
- (e) Coup-de-Poing may be referred as
 (i) Point (ii) Hand axe (iii) Celt (iv) None

OLD SYLLABUS

1. Answer any *two* questions from the following: (800-1000 words) 10×2 = 20
- (a) What do you mean by Geochronology? Discuss the evidences which help to reconstruct Palaeoenvironment of Pleistocene. 2+8 = 10
- (b) What is chronometric dating? Describe C₁₄ dating method with disadvantages. 2+8 = 10
- (c) What is the significance of Olduvai Gorge in World Prehistory? 10
- (d) Briefly discuss the stages of prehistory and protohistory with salient points. 10
2. Answer any *two* questions from the following: (within 300-400 words) 5×2 = 10
- (a) Differentiate the major points in absolute one relative dating techniques. 5
- (b) Write a short note on Soan culture of India. 5
- (c) Briefly describe Mousterian culture in Europe. 5
- (d) Write a short note on Burzahom. 5
3. Answer any *five* questions from the following: (within 25-30 words) 1×5 = 5
- (a) What is exploration?
- (b) What is excavation?
- (c) What is art mobilier?
- (d) What is villafranchian fauna?
- (e) What is flake tool?
- (f) What is core tool?
- (g) What is tortoise core?
- (h) What is microlith?

4. Choose the correct answer:
- (a) What is the meaning of Pleistocene?
(i) New (ii) Most new (iii) Most recent (iv) Entirely recent
- (b) Bhimbetka is situated in
(i) Andhra Pradesh (ii) Madhya Pradesh
(iii) Uttar Pradesh (iv) Arunachal Pradesh
- (c) The book 'Prehistory and Protohistory of India and Pakistan' is written by
(i) H.D. Sankalia (ii) H.H. Dani (iii) D. Sen (iv) M. Wheeler
- (d) Willow leaf points are associated with
(i) Lower Paleolithic (ii) Middle Paleolithic
(iii) Upper Paleolithic (iv) Mesolithic
- (e) The book 'The Old Stone Age' is written by
(i) F. Bordes (ii) H.D. Sankalia (iii) J.D. Clark (iv) B. Allchin

N.B. : *Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.*

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