

**ISLAMIC HISTORY AND CULTURE, PAPER-II**



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| <b>TIME ALLOWED:</b> | <b>(PART-I) 30 MINUTES</b>                | <b>MAXIMUM MARKS:20</b> |
|                      | <b>(PART-II) 2 HOURS &amp; 30 MINUTES</b> | <b>MAXIMUM MARKS:80</b> |

- NOTE: (i) First attempt PART-I (MCQ) on separate Answer Sheet which shall be taken back after 30 minutes.**  
**(ii) Overwriting/cutting of the options/answers will not be given credit.**

**PART – I (MCQ)**  
**(COMPULSORY)**

**Q.1. Select the best option/answer and fill in the appropriate box on the Answer Sheet. (20)**

- (i) When Muslim invaded Spain \_\_\_\_\_ was the ruler of the country?  
(a) Vetiza (b) Roderick  
(c) Theodomir (d) None of these
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ was the Gothic capital.  
(a) Cardova (b) Toledo  
(c) Granada (d) None of these
- (iii) During Muslim rule \_\_\_\_\_ was the capital of Spain.  
(a) Cardova (b) Toledo  
(c) Granada (d) None of these
- (iv) \_\_\_\_\_ was the first Muslim Governor of Spain:  
(a) Turaif (b) Tariq bin Ziyad  
(c) Abdul Aziz (d) None of these
- (v) Abdur Rahman Ad-dakhil died in 173 A.H. after the reign of \_\_\_\_\_ year.  
(a) 40 (b) 41  
(c) 42 (d) None of these
- (vi) Hisham bin Abdur Rahman introduced \_\_\_\_\_ doctrine in Spain.  
(a) Hanafi (b) Shafi  
(c) Humbali (d) None of these
- (vii) The beautiful palace of \_\_\_\_\_ built by An-Nasir.  
(a) Az-Zahra (b) Al-Hambra  
(c) Al-Qurtaba (d) None of these
- (viii) \_\_\_\_\_ al-Mahdi was the first caliph of the Fatimides.  
(a) Ubaidullah (b) Abdullah  
(c) Mohammad (d) None of these
- (ix) Battle of ZALAQ was fought between Alfanso-VI and \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Hajib Almansur (b) Yousaf bin Tashfeen  
(c) Tariq bin Ziyad (d) None of these
- (x) "Moors in Spain" was written by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) J.J. Saunders (b) P.K. Hitti  
(c) Lane Pole (d) None of these
- (xi) In \_\_\_\_\_ Abdur Rahman An-Nasir assumed the title of 'Ameer ul-Mominin'.  
(a) 713 A.H. (b) 317 A.H.  
(c) 300 A.H. (d) None of these
- (xii) The greatest Muslim Art in which they have achieved incomparable success is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Painting (b) Architecture  
(c) Calligraphy (d) None of these

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- (xiii) 'AL-KAMIL FIT TARIKH' was written by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Tabri (b) Masudi  
(c) Ibn-ul-Athir (d) None of these
- (xiv) 'GIBRALTER' is named after \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Musa bin Nusair (b) At-Turaif  
(c) Uqba bin Nafay (d) None of these
- (xv) Granada fell in \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) 1429 A.C. (b) 1492 A.C.  
(c) 1592 A.C. (d) None of these
- (xvi) Ibn-e-Rushd was a distinguished \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Musician (b) Doctor  
(c) Philosopher (d) None of these
- (xvii) R. DOZY is the author of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Islam in history (b) The spirit of Islam  
(c) The Spanish Islam (d) None of these
- (xviii) 'Muwalledun' were \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Spanish neo-muslim (b) African slave  
(c) Arab soldier (d) None of these
- (xix) Iberian Peninsula is a part of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Africa (b) Asia  
(c) Europe (d) None of these
- (xx) 'The preaching of Islam' is written by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Ameer Ali (b) Arberrry, A.J.  
(c) Arnold, T.W. (d) None of these

**PART – II**

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| <b>NOTE:</b> | <p>(i) <b>PART-II</b> is to be attempted on the separate <b>Answer Book</b>.<br/>(ii) Attempt <b>ONLY FOUR</b> questions from <b>PART-II</b>. All questions carry <b>EQUAL</b> marks.<br/>(iii) Extra attempt of any question or any part of the attempted question will not be considered.</p> |
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- Q.2.** Describe the causes and consequences of early Muslim conquests of Egypt and North Africa.. (20)
- Q.3.** "The battle which gave Abdur Rahman Ad-Dakhir the throne was fought at Masarah and proved a second Marj – Rahat" (Ameer Ali). Discuss. (20)
- Q.4.** "Abdur Rahman an-Nasir was unquestionably the ablest and most gifted of all the Omayyad sovereigns who have ruled in Spain." Comment. (20)
- Q.5.** Discuss the main features of Muslim contribution to philosophy in Spain with brief notes on **any three** important philosophers of that period. (20)
- Q.6.** Write a comprehensive note on Muslim architecture in Spain with special reference of 'Qasr az-Zahra' and 'Al Hambra'. (20)
- Q.7.** 'The scientific and literary progress of the Muslims in Spain and Sicily laid the foundation of renaissance in Europe.' Discuss with evidence. (20)
- Q.8.** Write an essay on **ANY ONE** of the following topics: (20)
- (i) Cairo under Fatimids.  
(ii) Cordova under Omayyads.

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