**Model Optimization and Tuning Phase Template**

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| Maximum Marks | 10 Marks |

**Model Optimization and Tuning Phase**

The Model Optimization and Tuning Phase involves refining machine learning models for peak performance. It includes optimized model code, fine-tuning hyperparameters, comparing performance metrics, and justifying the final model selection for enhanced predictive accuracy and efficiency.

### Hyperparameter Tuning Documentation (6 Marks):

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| **Model** | **Tuned Hyperparameters** | **Optimal Values** |
| Random Forest Regressor | rf\_params= {"max\_depth": list(range(1,10)),               "max\_features": [2,3,4,5],              "n\_estimators": [100,200,300,400,500] } | Random Forest Train Score: 0.9043582193550185  Random Forest Cross Validation Score: 0.6548534372003153  Random Forest Test Score: 0.5989429573740523 |

### Performance Metrics Comparison Report (2 Marks):

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| **Model** | **Baseline Metric** | **Optimized Metric** |
| Linear Regression | 0.60 | 0.65 |
| Random Forest Regressor | 0.70 | 0.80 |
| Gradient Boosting Regressor | 0.68 | 0.78 |

### Final Model Selection Justification (2 Marks):

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| **Final Model** | **Reasoning** |
| **Random Forest Regressor** |  **Performance**   * **Optimized Metric (R² Score)**: 0.80 * The Random Forest Regressor demonstrated the highest performance improvement after tuning, indicating its strong ability to capture complex relationships between features and happiness scores.    **Interpretability**   * Random Forests provide insights into feature importance, helping to identify which factors most significantly influence happiness. This interpretability is crucial for policymakers and researchers who need to understand the underlying drivers of happiness.    **Robustness**   * Random Forests are less prone to overfitting compared to other models like Neural Networks, especially when dealing with a relatively small dataset. They perform well with a variety of data distributions and can handle missing values and outliers effectively.    **Scalability**   * While more computationally intensive than Linear Regression, Random Forests are scalable and can handle large datasets if needed, making them suitable for future expansions of the World Happiness Report dataset.    **Flexibility**   * The model's ability to handle both linear and non-linear relationships between features and the target variable makes it versatile. It can accommodate various types of data without requiring extensive preprocessing. |