

Quiz 3

14 September, 2023

Name:

Q.1 What do you mean by Indo-Persianate culture, and when did it begin in the subcontinent? (2 marks)

Q.2 Towards the end of Monday's lecture, Dr. Jan narrated a 'love story' to illustrate which of the following points about identity (choose the one that is most obviously correct).

- a) that identity is trans-historical, necessary and universal
- b) that identity is constructed, arbitrary, and contingent
- c) that it is important to have a strong sense of one's own unique national and religious identity if one is to succeed in life
- d) that identity is important because it produces patriotic citizens who will honor their civic and national duty

☒ the 'love story' had nothing to do with the question of identity

f) Dr. Jan did not narrate any story towards the end of the lecture

Q.3 List the names of at least 4 rulers of the Delhi Sultanate.

Q. 4 What made Sufism a popular movement among the rural masses in medieval India? Write at least two reasons. (2 marks)

Q.5 Which text commissioned by an East India Company official in 1803 played an instrumental role in strengthening the idea of Urdu being the language of Muslim invaders having originated in army camps? Write the text and author's name.

Q.6 Write at least two arguments Shamsur Rehman Faruqi gives in the chapter to refute the theory of Urdu being the language of military camps of Muslim invaders. (2 marks)

Q.7 According to the reading, what is meant by ashrafs?

Quiz 4

Name:

19 September, 2023

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Question 1. Which major Indian regional powers challenged late Mughal empire's territorial control in the 18<sup>th</sup> century? Name 3.

Question 2. Name any two Mughal provinces whose provincial governors broke away from the Mughal empire and formed semi-autonomous states (successor states) in the 18<sup>th</sup> century?

Question 3. Which Persian ruler invaded North India, looted Delhi and took away the Peacock Throne in 1739?

Question 4. The English East India Company, founded in 1600, first obtained permission to trade in India from which Mughal emperor?

Question 5. The Portuguese explorer, Vasco da Gama, landed on the Indian coast in 1498 and the Portuguese set up their settlement in a city which is named '\_\_\_\_'. (Hint: The movie 'Dil Chahta Hai' was shot in this city)

Question 6. Which Naqshbandi scholar was against the syncretistic practices of Akbar's court and was later imprisoned by Jahangir? (He is also known as Mujaddid Alif Sani)

Question 7. Which Maratha leader gave the greatest military challenge to Aurangzeb?

Question 8. Which Mughal building in present-day Delhi still symbolizes sovereign power and is used to address the Indian masses on 15 August every year?

Question 9. In which place did the last Mughal emperor, Bahadur Shah Zafar, die?

Question 10. After the defeat in Battle of Buxar (1764), the Mughal emperor had to cede the right to collect revenues in three regions to the British. What is that right called?