



VERY SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS

Question 1. Name the different languages that William Jones studied.

Answer: Greek, Latin, English, French, Arabic and Persian.

Question 2. Why was Calcutta Madrasa set up?

Answer: Calcutta Madrasa was set up to promote the study of Arabic, Persian and Islamic law.

Question 3. Why was the Hindu College established in Benaras?

Answer: The Hindu College was established in Benaras to encourage the study of ancient Sanskrit texts that would be useful for the administration of the country.

Question 4. Name two individuals who sharply attacked the Orientalists.

Answer: James Mill and Thomas Babington Macaulay.

Question 5. What did Thomas Macaulay urge the British government in India?

Answer: Thomas Macaulay urged the British government in India to stop wasting public money in promoting Oriental learning for it was of no practical use.

Question 6. How were Oriental institutions like the Calcutta Madrasa and Benaras Sanskrit College viewed by the British?

Answer: These Oriental institutions were viewed as temples of darkness that were falling of themselves into decay.

Question 7. Name the places where the British established universities.

Answer: Calcutta, Madras and Bombay.

Question 8. Where were classes held under the system of pathshalas?

Answer: Classes were held under a banyan tree or in the corner of a village shop or temple or at the guru's home.

Question 9. What type of education was given to the children in pathshalas?

Answer: Children were given oral education in pathshalas.

Question 10. Why were classes not held during harvest time?

Answer: It was because rural children had to work in the fields during harvest time.

Question 11. What task was assigned to the pandit by the Company?

Answer: The Company assigned the pandit to visit the pathshalas and try to improve the standard of teaching.

Question 12. Name two Indians who reacted against Western education.

Answer: Mahatma Gandhi and Rabindranath Tagore.

Question 13. What do you mean by Tagore's abode of peace?

Answer: Tagore's Shantmiketan was established in a rural setting, 100 kilometres away from Calcutta. As it was far from the din and

bustle of the city it was an abode of peace.

Question 14. How did Tagore view his school namely Shantmiketan?

Answer: He viewed his school as an abode of peace where living in harmony with nature, children would cultivate their natural creativity.

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