



## VERY SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS

1. Why did settlements grow near the river valleys? [V. Imp.]  
Answer: Settlements grew near the river valleys because plenty of water was available there and land was fertile.
2. What are called temporary settlements? [Imp.]  
Answer: Settlements which are occupied for a short time are called temporary settlements.
3. What do people living in temporary settlements practise?  
Answer: They practise hunting, gathering, shifting cultivation and transhumance.
4. Why do people who rear animals move from place to place?  
Answer: They move from place to place in search of new pastures according to changes in seasons.
5. Differentiate a compact settlement from a scattered settlement.  
Answer: A compact settlement is a closely built area of dwellings wherever flat land is available. In a scattered settlement dwellings are spaced over an extensive area.
6. Where are scattered settlements found? [V. Imp.]  
Answer: Scattered settlements are found in hilly tracts, thick forests and regions of extreme climate.
7. Name the materials used in building houses in rural areas?  
Answer: Stones, mud, clay, straw, etc
8. Name some animals used for carrying goods in India ,  
Answer: Donkeys, mules, bullocks and camels,
9. Where do you find a dense network of roads?  
Answer: In plains
10. What have replaced the steam engine? [Imp.]  
Answer: Diesel and electric engines have replaced the steam engines.
11. Name any two important ports of the world.  
Answer: Singapore and Rio de Janeiro.
12. When are helicopters proved to be very useful?  
Answer: Helicopters are proved to be very useful in the time of calamities for rescuing people and distributing food, water, clothes and medicines,
13. How have satellites proved themselves helpful? [V. Imp.]  
Answer: Satellites have helped in oil exploration, survey of forest, underground water, mineral wealth, weather forecast and disaster warning,
14. Why is air travel very expensive?

Answer: Air travel is very expensive due to high cost of fuel.

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