



1. Answer the following questions briefly:

- (a) Name the continent in which the Amazon Basin is located.
- (b) What are the crops grown by the people of the Amazon Basin?
- (c) Name the birds that you are likely to find in the rain forests of the Amazon.
- (d) What are the major cities located on the river Ganga?
- (e) Where is the one-horned rhinoceros found?

Answer: (a) South America.

(b) The people of the Amazon Basin grow tapioca, pine apple and sweet potato. Cash crops such as coffee, maize and cocoa are also grown.

(c) Name the birds that you are likely to find in the rain forests of the Amazon.

(d) The major cities located on the river Ganga are Allahabad, Kanpur, Varanasi, Lucknow, Patna and Kolkata.

(e) The one-horned rhinoceros is found in the Brahmaputra plain.

2. Tick the correct answer:

- (a) Toucans are a type of
 - (i) birds
 - (ii) animals
 - (iii) crops
- (b) Manioc is the staple food of
 - (i) Ganga Basin
 - (ii) Africa
 - (iii) Amazon
- (c) Kolkata is located on the river
 - (i) Orange
 - (ii) Hooghly
 - (iii) Bhagirathi
- (d) Deodars and firs are a type of
 - (i) Coniferous trees
 - (ii) Deciduous trees
 - (iii) Shrubs
- (e) Bengal tiger is found in
 - (i) Mountains
 - (ii) Delta area
 - (iii) Amazon

Answer: (a)-(i), (b)-(iii), (c)-(ii), (d)-(i), (e)-(ii).

3. Match the following:

(i) Cotton textile	(a) Assam
(ii) Maloca	(b) Terrace farming
(iii) Piranha	(c) Sericulture
(iv) Silk worm	(d) Slanting roof
(v) Kaziranga	(e) Ganga plain

	(f) Varanasi
	(g) Fish

Answer: (i)–(f), (ii)–(d), (iii)–(g), (iv)–(c), (v)–(a)

4. Give reasons:

(i) The rainforests are depleting.

(ii) Paddy is grown in the Ganga-Brahmaputra plains.

Answer: (i) The rainforests are depleting because of the developmental activities that are going on at fast speed. The biologically diverse rainforests are being destroyed day by day. It is estimated that a large area of the rainforest has been disappearing annually in the Amazon basin. As a result the topsoil is washed away when the rains fall and the lush green forest turns into a barren landscape.

(ii) The cultivation of paddy requires sufficient water. The Ganga-Brahmaputra plains fulfil this condition because they receive high rainfall.

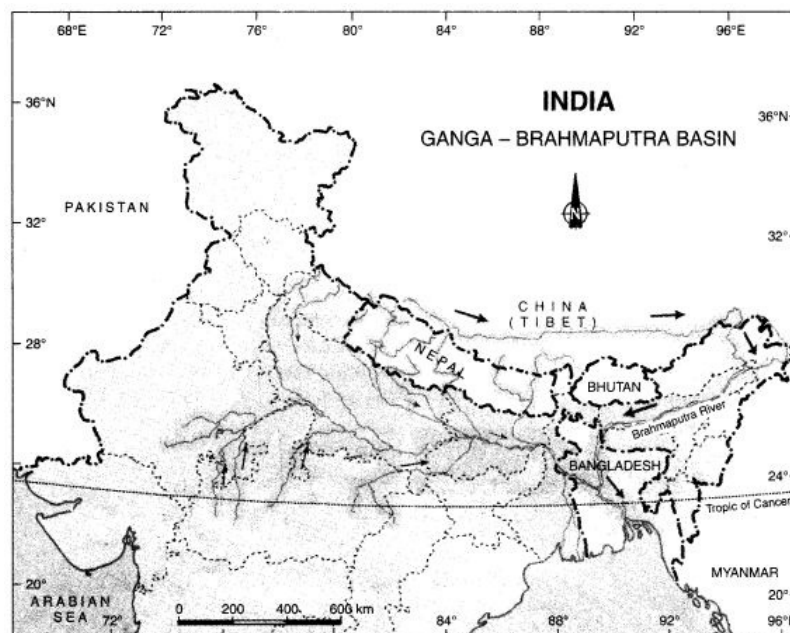
5. Map skills.

(i) Art an outline map of the Indian sub-continent, draw the rivers Ganga and Brahmaputra from the source to the mouth. Also show the important tributaries of both the rivers.

(ii) On the political map of South America, draw the equator. Mark the countries through which the equator passes.

Answer:

(i)



(ii)



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