

F1 TOPICAL REVISION

HISTORY

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INTRODUCTION TO HISTORY

AND

GOVERNMENT

1. Name two sources of the history of the Kenyan communities during the pre- colonial period (2 mks)
2. State two disadvantages of relying on oral traditions as a source of history. (2 mks)
3. Identify two sources of Kenyan history (2 mks)
4. Give two reasons for studying Government. (2mks)
5. Identify one branch in the study of History and Government of Kenya (1 mk)
6. Give the meaning of history. (1 mark)
7. Give **two** unwritten sources of information on History and Government. (2marks)
8. Give **two** limitations of using anthropology as a source of information on History and Government. (2 marks)
- 9 State **two** ways in which the study of History and Government promotes a sense of patriotism in the learner. (2 mar)

EMERGENCE OF KENYAN SOCIETIES

1. a) Give five reasons, which led to the migration of the Cushites into Kenya before 1800.
b) Describe the economic activities of the Cushites in the pre - colonial period.
2. a) State five results of the settlement of the Gikuyu in the Mount Kenya Region during the pre colonial period
b) Describe the political organization of the Agikuyu during the pre-colonial period.
3. a) State five economic activities of the Kalenjin during the pre-colonial period.
b) Explain the functions of the Orkoiyot among the Nandi during the re-colonial period.
4. State three functions of the Laibon in traditional Maasai society
5. Give two functions of the council of elders among the Akamba during the pre-colonial period.
6. a) What factors made the Cushites migrate into Kenya during the pre-colonial period?
b) Explain five results of the migration of the Cushites into Kenya during the pre-colonial period.
7. a) Explain the result of the migration and settlement of the Somali into Kenya by 1800.
b) Describe the political organization of the Somali in Kenya during the colonial period.
8. Give TWO factors which led to the migration and settlement of the Iteso into Kenya by 1800.
9. Name two sources of the History of Kenyan communities during the pre - colonial period.
10. In what ways did the Kenyan communities interacted during the pre - colonial period?
11. a) Describe the migration and settlement of the Eastern Bantu speaking communities in Kenya up to 1800.

- b) Discuss the result of the migration and settlement of the eastern Bantu into Kenya by 1900.
12. What was the base of the political organization among the Cushites during the pre - colonial period?
13. Identify the TWO economic activities which the Maasai acquired as a result of interacting with the Agikuyu during their settlement in Kenya.
14. What religious functions did the Orkoiyot of the Nandi perform during the pre - colonial period?
15. Give two main factors which influenced the Abaluhya to become crop farmers by the beginning of the nineteenth century.
16. Name two Bantu communities in Kenya whose ancestors settled in the Mt. Elgon area before migrating to their present homeland.
17. a) Why did the Bantu migrate from their coastal settlement at Shungwaya in the sixteenth century
- b) Describe the political organization of the Mijikenda during pre - colonial period.
18. State two ways in which the Akamba interacted with the Agikuyu in the pre - colonial period.
19. Give two economic reasons why the Cushites migrated from their original homestead into Kenya.
20. Identify the main reason why the Mijikenda lived in Kenya.
21. a) Explain five results of the migration and settlement of the plain Nilotes in Kenya.
- b) Describe the political organization of the Maasai during the pre - colonial period.
22. State one way in which the Abagusii and the Kipsigis interacted during the pre - colonial period.
23. State two functions of the council of elders (Njuri Ncheke) of the Ameru.

24. a) What were the results of the settlement of the Luo in Kenya during the pre - colonial period?
- b) Describe the socio - political organization of the Luo during the pre - colonial period.
25. a) Give five reasons which led to the migration of the Cushites into Kenya before 1800.
- b) Describe the economic activities of the Cushites in the pre - colonial period.
- 26 (a) What factors made the Cushites migrate into Kenya during the pre – colonial period? (10mks)
- b) Explain five results of the migration of the Cushites into Kenya during the pre-colonial period. (10mks)
27. Give two factors which led to the migration and settlement of the Iteso into Kenya by 1800.
28. Explain the results of the migration and settlement of the Somali into Kenya by 1800. (7mks)
29. In what two ways did the Kenyan communities interact during the pre- colonial period? (2mks)
- 30(a) Describe the migration and settlement of the Eastern Bantu Speaking communities into Kenya upto 1800. (5 mks)
- (b) Discuss the results of the migration and settlement of the Eastern Bantu into Kenya by 1900 (10mks)
31. What was the base of the political organization among the Cushites during the pre- colonial period? (1mk)
32. Name two Bantu communities in Kenya whose ancestors settled in the Mount Elgon area before migrating to their present homeland. (2 mks)
- 33(a) Why did the Bantu migrate from their coastal settlement at Shungwaya in the sixteenth century? (3 mks)
- [b]Economic reasons why the Cushites migrated from their original homeland Kenya**
- [c] Explain five results of the migration and settlement of the plain Nilotes in Kenya**
- 34. One reason why the Mijikenda community migrated from their settlement at Shangwaya during the Pre- colonial period.**
- 35.(a) State five factors that led to the migration of the Iteso from their original home in the Lake Turkana region to their present homeland.**
- (b) Explain five effects of migration and settlement of the Iteso in Kenya**
- 36.a) What were the results of the settlement of the Luo in Kenya during the pre-colonial period?
37. Give one way in which the knowledge of iron working helped in the migration of the Bantu.
34. State two ways in which the Akamba interacted with the Agikuyu in the pre- colonial period (2 mks)

- 35 (a) Explain five results of the migration and settlement of the plains Nilotes into Kenya. (10 mks)
36. State two ways in which the Nandi and the Abaluyia communities interacted during the pre- colonial period. (2 mks)
37. Give one reason why the Mijikenda community migrated from their settlement at Shungwaya during the pre- colonial period. (1 mk)
38. (a) What five factors led to the migration of the Iteso from their original home in the Lake Turkana region to their present homeland? (5 mks)
- (b) Explain five effects of the migration and settlement of the Iteso in Kenya. (10 mks)
39. State one way in which the Abagusii and the Kipsigis interacted during the pre-colonial period. (1mk)
40. (a) What were the results of the settlement of the Luo in Kenya during the pre-colonial period? (7marks)
41. Give one way in which the knowledge of iron working helped in the migration of the Bantu (1 mk)
42. Give two reasons for the migration of the Borana from Ethiopia into Kenya. (2 mks)
43. (a) Why did the Bantu migrate from their original homeland? (5 mks)
- 44 (a) Give five reasons which led to the migration of the Cushites from their original homeland into Kenya during the pre- colonial period. (5 mks)
- (b) Explain five results of the interactions between the Bantu and the Cushites in Kenya during the pre-colonial period. (10 mks)
45. Name one community in Kenya that belongs to the River Lake Nilotes (1 mk)
- 46 (a) Why did the highlands Nilotes migrate from their original homeland during the pre- colonial period? (5 mks)
- (b) Explain five results of the migration and settlement of the highland Nilotes in Kenya (10 mks)
47. Name the dispersal area of the Eastern Bantu. (1mk)
48. a) Give five reasons for the migration of the Luo from their original homeland into Kenya. (5mks)
- b) What were the social effects of the expansion of the Luo into Western Kenya?
49. Name two communities in Kenya who belong to the Plain Nilotes. (2 mks)
50. What was the original homeland of the Eastern Cushites? (1 mk)
51. Apart from the Maasai, name one other plains Nilotes found in Kenya (1 mk)
52. State the first settlement area of the Luo during their migration from Sudan. (1 mark)
- 53 (a) Give **five** reasons which influenced the migration of the Plains Nilotes to Kenya during the pre-colonial period. (5 marks)
- (b) Explain **five** results of the migration and settlement of the Maasai in Kenya during the pre-colonial period. (10 marks)
54. What was the **main** reason for the migration of the Eastern Bantu from Shungwaya during the pre-colonial period? (1 mark)

55. Identify **one** community in Kenya which belongs to the Southern Cushitic group. (1 mark)
56. Name **two** Bantu groups in Kenya which settled in Mount Elgon area before migrating to their present homeland. (2 marks)
- 57 Name the community in Kenya that belongs to the Southern Cushites. (1 mark)
- 58 (a) Give **five** reasons for the migration of the Mijikenda from Shungwaya during the pre-colonial period. (5 mark)
- (b) Explain **five** social effects of the migration and settlement of the Mijikenda in their present homeland. (10 marks)

SOURCES OF HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT

1. a) Give five reasons for studying history.
- b) Explain three limitations of using the following:
2. Identify two sources of information which Historians use to write the History of Africa.
3. Give two limitations of using written records as a source of African History.
4. State two shortcomings of oral tradition as a source of history.
5. What is oral tradition as a Source of History?
6. State one advantage of written materials as a source of History.

THE EARLY MAN

1. List economic activities of early man during the Stone Age period.
2. Identify two aspects of the culture of the early man that had their origins in the late Stone Age.
3.
 - a) Describe two theories about the origin of human beings
 - b) Discuss the benefits of the discovery of fire to early man.
4. Name two factors which influenced early man to begin domestic animals.
5. State two distinct characteristics of *Homo erectus*
6.
 - a) What things do archaeologists use to reconstruct the activities of people who lived in prehistoric times?
 - b) Explain five ways in which *Homo erectus* attempted to improve his way of life.
7. State one characteristic of *Homo sapiens*
8. Give one characteristics of *Homo Erectus*
9. Name two pre- historic sites in Kenya. (2 mks)
10. State two advantages of the discovery of fire by Early Man. (2mks)
11. Identify two ways through which archaeologists obtain information on the history of Kenya. (2 mks)

AGRARIAN REVOLUTION

1. a) State three factors which contributed to the development of agriculture in ancient Egypt.
b) Explain six factors which have led to inadequate food supply in Africa
2. a) State three agricultural practices used in Europe before the Agrarian Revolution.
b) Explain the impact of the Agrarian revolution in Europe
3. a) State three factors which contributed to the development of early agriculture in Mesopotamia.
b) What was the result of the development of early agriculture in Mesopotamia.
4. Name two main cash crops that were grown in North America during the Agrarian Revolution.
5. Identify two factors which favoured the development of crop growing in ancient Egypt.
6. Name two ways in which railway transport contributed to the Agrarian Revolution in Western Europe
7. State one way in which the Agrarian Revolution contributed to rural urban migration in Europe.
8. a) State one main way in which the Agrarian Revolution contributed to the development of urban centers in Europe.
b) What were the effects of the Agrarian Revolution?
9. What factors led to the development of early agricultural in India?
10. a) What factors favoured the beginning of agriculture during the New Stone Age?
b) Explain six factors which promoted plantation farming in Europe during the Agrarian Revolution.

11. Identify two similarities between early agriculture and Mesopotamia and Egypt.
12. Explain 4 advantages of the land tenure system in Britain.
13. a) Describe three factors that facilitated the development of agriculture in America before 1800.

USE OF METALS AND INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION

1. a) **Give four inventions that improved textile manufacturing in Britain during the industrial revolution.**
- b) **State six reasons why the industrialization revolution first took place in Britain.**
- c) **State six economic effects of the industrial revolutions in Europe.**
2. **Identify three uses of bronze in the Kingdom of Lele.**

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