

THE ICONIC SCHOOL
SUMMER HOLIDAY ASSIGNMENT (2021-22)
GRADE – XII
SUBJECT – POLITICAL SCIENCE



NOTE: Solve the questions in your notebook.

1. The policy of staying away from alliances should not be considered isolationism or neutrality. It is not isolationism since isolationism means remaining aloof from the world affairs. Isolationism sums up the foreign policy of the US from the American War of Independence in 1787.
 - a. What is “it” in the above given passage? (1)
 - b. Name its founding members. (2)
 - c. Mention the reasons for forming it. (2)
2. Write short notes on the following: (2 x 2 = 4)
 - a. LTBT
 - b. SALT-I
3. “NAM is irrelevant in the present times”. What are your views on this? (3)
4. Why did the superpowers have military alliances with smaller countries? Give three reasons. (3)
5. Briefly explain how the Cold War started? (3)
6. What is a Cold War? How is it different from a normal war? (3)
7. Write short notes on the following. (2 x 2 = 4)
 - a. NATO
 - b. WARSAW
8. Differentiate between Soviet and USA system. (2)
9. How did the Soviet Union disintegrate? (3)
10. Explain the “SHOCK THERAPY”. (5)
11. What were the consequences of Soviet Union’s Disintegration? (2)
12. What were the factors that forced Gorbachev to initiate the reforms in the USSR? (2)
13. “Long years ago we made a tryst with destiny , and now the time comes when we shall redeem our pledge, not wholly or in full measure , but very substantially. At the stroke of the midnight hour, when the world sleeps , India will awake to life and freedom”.
 - a. Who spoke the above given lines ? And what was the event? (2)
 - b. Mention the three challenges in the path of the above given thing. (3)
14. Explain the process of Partition. (3)
15. Just before independence it was announced by the British that with the end of their rule over India , paramountcy of the British crown over princely states would also lapse. That meant that all the states, as many as 565 in all , would become legally independent.
 - a. Mention the problems faced by India in the path of unification. (3)
 - b. What was the next step after Britisher’s announcement? (2)
16. What was government’s approach to unite the states after India’s independence ? (3)
17. How were the states reorganized? (3)
18. Write short notes on the problems caused by (3 x 2 = 6)
 - a. Manipur
 - b. Hyderabad in the path of National Integration.
19. What was States Reorganization Commission? (2)
20. Just after India’s independence, how many states and Union territories were announced to be a part of India? (2)