

1. Which of the following statement is correct regarding the Neolithic period?
- (a) The people during this period were predominantly hunters and gatherers.
  - (b) The domestication of animals was not known during this period.
  - (c) The pottery was not known to the people during this period.
  - (d) The period is significant for its megalithic architecture.

2. Which of the following statements regarding the Chalcolithic period is/are correct?

- 1. The economy was based on subsistence agriculture, stock-raising, hunting, and fishing.
- 2. Painted pottery was the distinguishing feature among all the Chalcolithic cultures.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

3. Which of the following statements regarding the religious practices of Indus Valley Civilization is/are correct?

- 1. The people had faith in amulets and charms.
- 2. There was an absence of the worship of the mother goddess.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

4. Consider the following statements regarding Varna system:

- 1. The word Varna used to reflect the status of caste and person in society.
- 2. In the Rig Vedic period, people present at the lower level in the varna system were employed as slaves, mainly in agricultural work.

3. Economic division was the mainstay of the varna system in the Rig Vedic period.

Which of the above statements is/are **incorrect**?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

5. Consider the following statements regarding Mahavira:

- 1. Mahavira is considered 23rd and the last Tirthankara.
- 2. Mahavira was the first person in the Indian subcontinent to be idolized.

Which of the above statements is/are **incorrect**?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

6. Which of the following statements regarding the life of Buddha is/are correct?

- 1. As the cities which Buddha visited did not assume any urban character then, his existence is not supported by any archaeological evidence.
- 2. He was called Buddha just after the event of 'Dharmachakra Pravartana' took place.
- 3. He attained 'Mahaparinirvan' in the capital the Malla mahajanpada.

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

- (a) 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

7. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Buddha rejected the authority of the Vedas as well as the law of 'karma'.
- 2. 'Nirvana', according to Buddha, means the shedding of all desires, and ending of all the sufferings.
- 3. He did not believe in the existence of soul.