

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

FIJI YEAR 8 EXAMINATION 2016

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Time Allowed: 1½ hours

(An extra 10 minutes is allowed for reading this paper.)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Write your **Index Number** in the space provided in the **Answer Booklet**.
2. **All** answers are to be **written in the Answer Booklet** with either blue or black ink. **Do not use red ink.**
3. **Do not spend** too much time on any one question. **Do not start** writing until you are told to do so.
4. Write neatly and clearly.
5. There are **two** sections in this paper, Section A and B. **Answer all the questions in both sections.**

SUMMARY OF QUESTIONS

SECTION	QUESTION TYPE	MARK	SUGGESTED TIME
A	Part 1 - Multiple Choices	20	18 minutes
	Part 2 - Matching	10	8 minutes
	Part 3 - True or False	10	8 minutes
B	Part 1 – Fill in the Blanks	10	8 minutes
	Part 2 – Testing Skills	36	32 minutes
	Part 3 – Short Answers	14	16 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS

The following shows how to answer multiple-choice questions in the **Answer Booklet**.

- (a) In your **Answer Booklet**, **circle** the letter of the **best** answer. **If you change your mind**, put a line through your first circle and draw a circle round the letter of your next choice.

For example:

12	A	~~B~~	C	D
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- (b) **If you change your mind** again and like your first answer better, put a line through your second circle and tick (✓) your first answer.

For example:

12	A	✓ ~~B~~	~~C~~	D
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- (c) **No mark** will be given if you circle more than one letter as the answer for a question.

SECTION A

[40 marks]

PART 1

MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS

(20 marks)

Circle the letter of the correct choice.

- Read the extract given below and use your knowledge to answer the question.

Raju and Mala have always wanted better lives. They planned that after completing their tertiary education, they would migrate to Australia to find better employment.

Young Fijian people travelling overseas looking for employment is an example of

- a social change.
- a political change.
- an economic change.
- an urban to rural change.

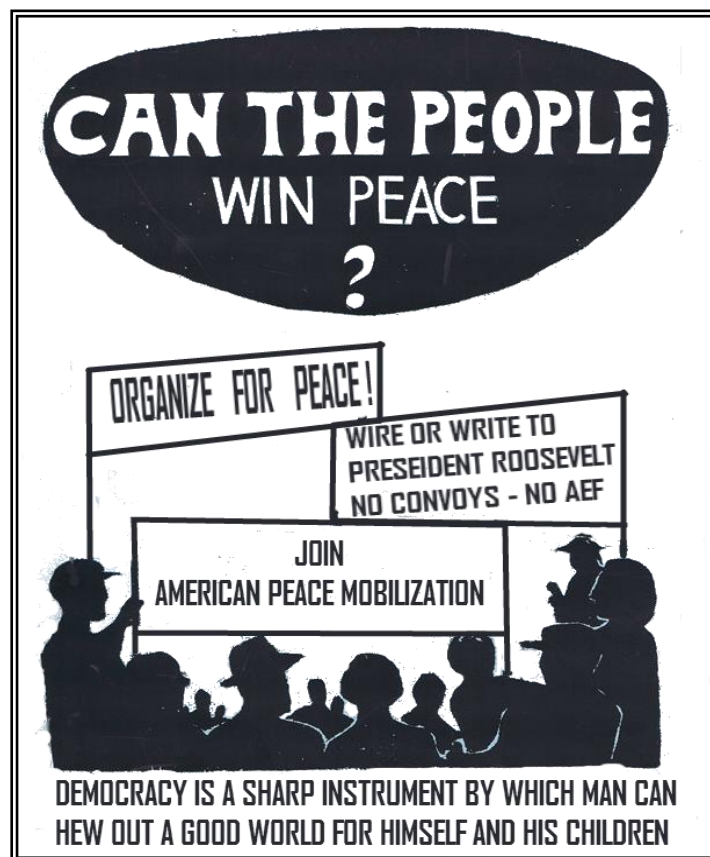
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2. Bill Gates became famous for the reason that he was the founder of
- A. Google.
 - B. Microsoft.
 - C. Scout Movement.
 - D. Civil Rights Movement.

3. The Tropic of Capricorn is located

- A. 66.5° East.
- B. 66.5° West.
- C. 23.5° North.
- D. 23.5° South.

4. Use the picture given below and your knowledge to answer the question.



Source: <http://www.lornebair.com>

The message behind this picture is to

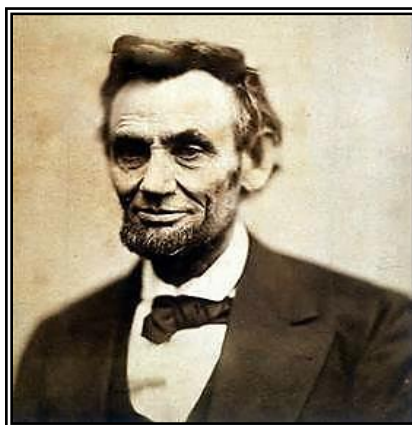
- A. fight peace.
- B. avoid peace.
- C. ignore peace.
- D. support peace.

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5. A person who buys goods and uses services is a
- A. buyer.
 - B. collector.
 - C. producer.
 - D. consumer.
6. **Greenpeace** is an organisation that aims to keep the Pacific Ocean clean and safe for marine organisms that live in it. They safeguard resources which are
- A. extinct.
 - B. destroyed.
 - C. under threat.
 - D. greater in number.
7. An increase in global warming can cause a **decrease** in
- A. heavy flooding.
 - B. severe drought.
 - C. coastal erosion.
 - D. organism's habitats.
8. More work will be completed in the wise use of
- A. time.
 - B. hour.
 - C. clock.
 - D. minute.

Use the picture given below and your knowledge to answer the question.



Source: <http://www.pinterest.com>

9. He was famous because he became
- A. the US President.
 - B. an Italian Explorer.
 - C. an American Inventor.
 - D. a British Prime Minister.
10. One advantage of being a host city for an Olympic Games is
- A. air travel falls.
 - B. cost of things decreases.
 - C. business activity decreases.
 - D. physical environment improves.
11. The Kiribati and Marshall Islanders are classified as
- A. Polynesians.
 - B. Indonesians.
 - C. Melanesians.
 - D. Micronesians.
12. Ludwik Rajchman, founder of UNICEF became its chairman from
- A. 1935 to 1960.
 - B. 1946 to 1950.
 - C. 1964 to 1990.
 - D. 1978 to 2006.
13. The organisation which promotes equal standard of living for developed and developing countries are the
- A. Council of Churches.
 - B. World Organisation.
 - C. World Health Organisation.
 - D. International Labour Organisation.

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Read the extract given below and use your knowledge to answer the question.

Mr. Waqa's monthly income is \$600. His planned family expenses are mainly on food, clothing, water, electricity, education, medical and family obligation. After paying all these, he saves the left over money by keeping it in the bank.

14. The extract tells us that all families should _____ like Mr. Waqa.
- A. save
 - B. plan
 - C. spend
 - D. budget well
15. The introduction of harmful materials to the environment will eventually bring about
- A. pollution.
 - B. extinction.
 - C. weathering.
 - D. pollination.
16. Which one of these can happen when forests are cleared?
- A. soil erosion
 - B. reforestation
 - C. agricultural growth
 - D. increased animal species
17. _____ is when a group of people settle away from their place of origin to take control of an area or country.
- A. Immigration
 - B. Colonisation
 - C. Globalisation
 - D. Westernisation

18. The leaders of the South Pacific countries met last year to discuss problems such as
- A. solar radiation.
 - B. climate change.
 - C. greenhouse gases.
 - D. greenhouse effect.
19. Heavy flooding can cause stagnant water for many days which leads to
- A. healthy soil.
 - B. healthy crops.
 - C. health diseases.
 - D. healthy vegetation.
20. Which of these countries is a developed country?
- A. Fiji
 - B. Tonga
 - C. Samoa
 - D. Australia

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SECTION A (continued)**PART 2****MATCHING****(10 marks)**

Match the definitions in **COLUMN I** with the correct terms in **COLUMN II**.

Write the **letter** of the correct item from **COLUMN II** beside each number from **COLUMN I** in the **Answer Booklet**.

COLUMN I	COLUMN II
1. A special resource	A. Latin motto
2. Share and like to be with others	B. Discount
3. Planning your purchase or buying	C. South Pacific Games
4. "Let there be bread"	D. Socialise
5. The amount of money taken off the cost of something.	E. Climate
6. The weather pattern occurring at a particular place over a long period of time	F. Weather
7. The language of the Natives of Australia	G. Solar and wind energy
8. First held in 1930	H. Better decision
9. Another name for tropical region	I. Commonwealth Games
10. Pollution free	J. Aborigines
	K. Equatorial
	L. Time

PART 3**TRUE OR FALSE****(10 marks)**

Read the following statements carefully. Write (T) for True or (F) for False against the number of each statement in the spaces provided in the **Answer Booklet**.

1. Interacting with friends cannot influence one's culture.
2. Roads are made to make travelling easier and quicker.
3. Melanesians are the light skinned people of the Pacific.
4. Banks provide commercial services.
5. Family is a type of social group.
6. Questionnaires help us collect information on any research work.
7. Wedding and funeral rituals are **not** part of our culture.
8. People from different ethnic groups living together can be best described as cultural diversity.
9. The best way waste paper could be disposed of is through burning.
10. Greenland has approximately 50,000 inhabitants.

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SECTION B**[60 marks]****PART 1****FILL IN THE BLANKS****(10 marks)**

Fill in the blanks using the words in the box given below. Write the words in the spaces provided in the **Answer Booklet**. Each of the words listed should be used only once.

Hinduism	good	hope	University	discoveries
trader	maps	explorer	countries	festival
celebrate	inventor			

Christopher Columbus was an ____ (i) ____, born in 1451, a time of new ideas and ____ (ii) ____ in Europe. We call this time the Renaissance – a word that means rebirth. Columbus made many ____ (iii) ____ and discovered many islands.

Americans remember Columbus in many ways; places are named for him such as the District of Columbia, the Columbia ____ (iv) ____ and hundreds of schools are named after him. Americans ____ (v) ____ Columbus Day with parades, parties and good times.

Adapted from: <http://www.biography.com>

Diwali (or Deepawali) is an ancient Hindu ____ (vi) ____ celebrated every year. It is the most important festival in ____ (vii) ____ and it is an official holiday in Fiji, Malaysia, Singapore, and Sri Lanka.

The festival spiritually signifies the victory of light over darkness, knowledge over ignorance, ____ (viii) ____ over evil and ____ (ix) ____ over despair. Its celebration includes millions of lights shining in the communities and ____ (x) ____ where it is observed.

Adapted from: <https://www.en.wikipedia.org>

PART 2**TESTING SKILLS****(36 marks)**

Answer all the questions and write your answers in your **Answer Booklet**.

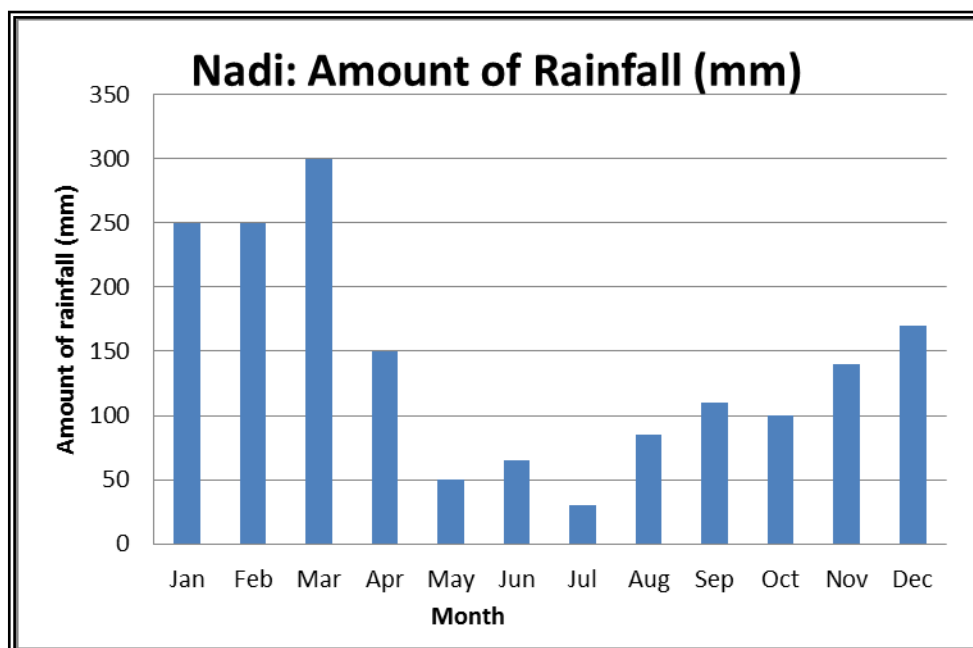
(a) Research**(5 marks)**

During the course of your Social Science studies, you investigated a problem or issue in your class.

1. Name the problem or issue that you investigated. **(1 mark)**
2. List **two** effective ways that you used to gather your information. **(2 marks)**
3. State **two** important lessons you learnt from your findings. **(2 marks)**

(b) Graph Study**(7 marks)**

Use the chart given below to help you answer **Questions 4 – 7**.



4. State the months that recorded the **least** and the **most** rainfall. **(2 marks)**
5. List the **two** months that have the same amount of rainfall recorded. **(1 mark)**

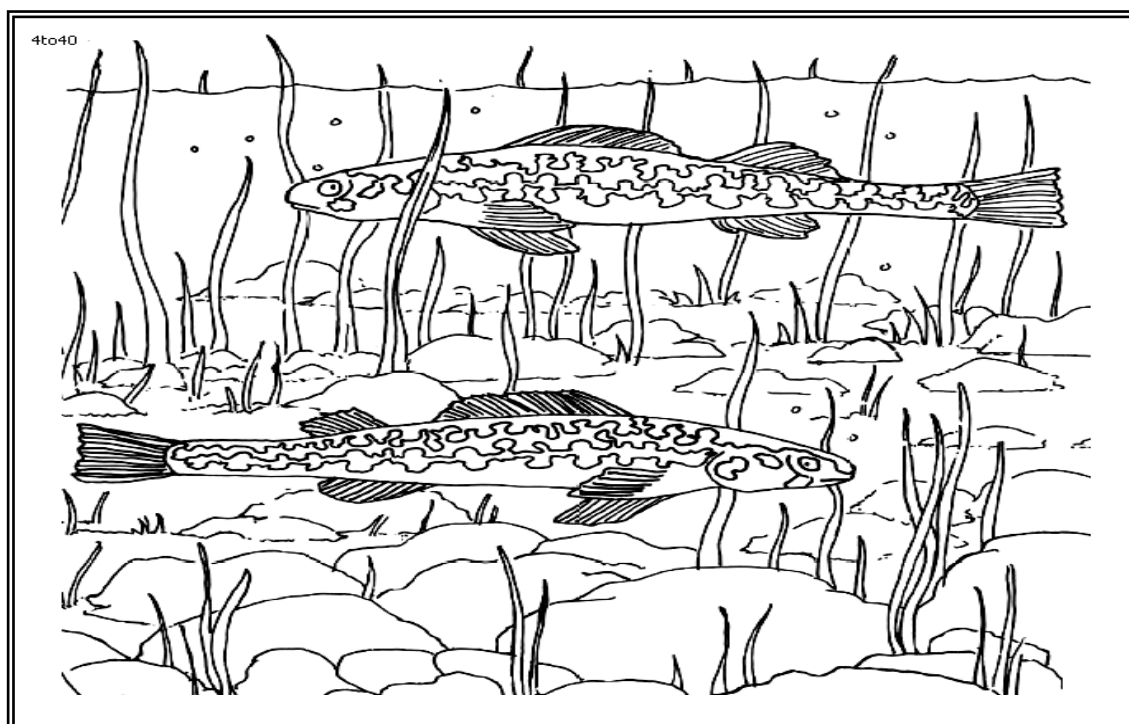
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6. Estimate the total amount of rainfall for the first three months? **(1 mark)**
7. Describe the trend of the rainfall in the last three months. **(1 mark)**
8. Briefly explain **two** ways in which rainfall contributes to our livelihood. **(2 marks)**

(c) Picture Study **(7 marks)**

Use the picture given below to answer **Questions 8 - 11** in your **Answer Booklet**.

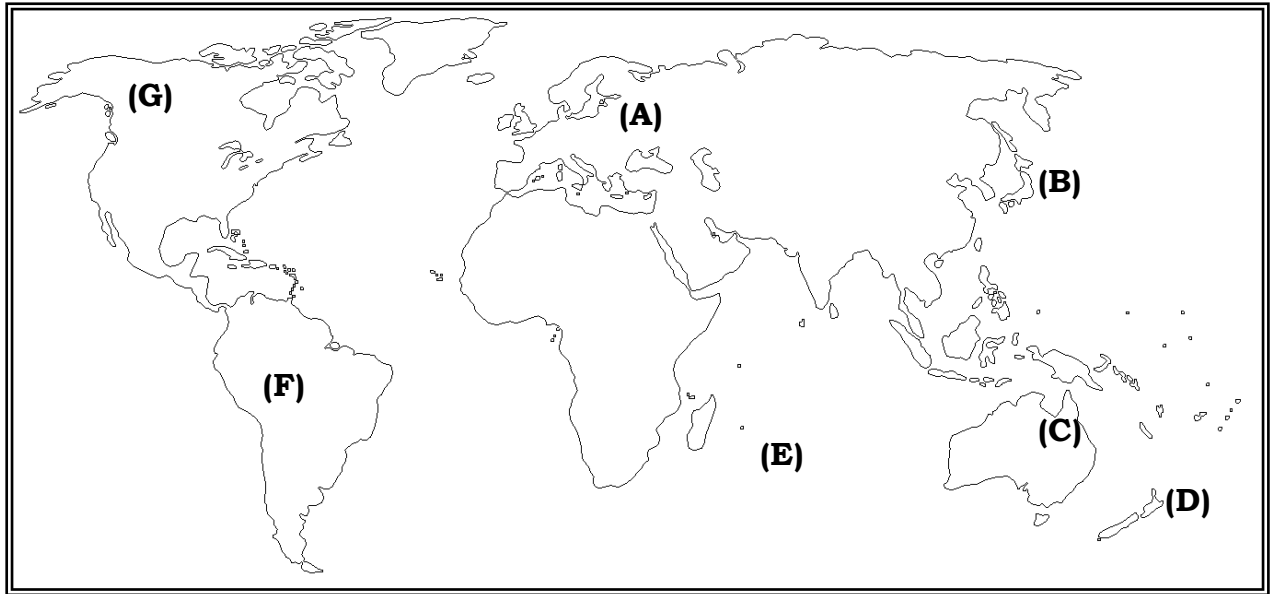


Source: <http://www.pinterest.com>

9. Identify the type of ecosystem shown in the picture above. **(1 mark)**
10. State **two** important resources that people can get from the ecosystem shown. **(2 marks)**
11. Briefly explain why each of the resources mentioned in Question 10 is important. **(2 marks)**
12. Explain **one** way in which humans are affected when the habitat above is damaged. **(2 marks)**

(d) Mapping**(7 marks)**

Use the **map** and the **descriptions** given below to identify A – G using the **word list**.

World Map

Adapted from: <http://www.outlineworldmap.com>

Descriptions

- (A) People of this country have light skin, blonde hair and are called the Caucasoids.
- (B) The capital of this country.
- (C) Australia has five states. This is one of them.
- (D) This is part of New Zealand.
- (E) This is a large ocean.
- (F) Tropical rainforests are located in this region.
- (G) This country can be very cold and snowy when temperature falls below freezing point.

Word List

North Island	Indian Ocean	South America	Tokyo	Europe
Canada	Queensland	Pacific Ocean	China	

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SECTION B (continued)**(e) Creativity** (10 marks)

- (i) Draw and label **two** customs that are followed in your culture or a culture of your choice. Draw with your pencil and use colours if possible.

Give a title for your drawing. (6 marks)

- (ii) Using an **example**, explain **how** each of the **two** customs are important in your culture or the culture of your choice. (4 marks)

PART 3 **SHORT ANSWERS** (14 marks)

Answer all questions in your **Answer Booklet**.

1. Describe **one** way an organisation you know has helped your community. (2 marks)
2. (a) Define the term **natural disaster** and give an example. (2 marks)
- (b) Explain **two** ways in which women can contribute towards the preparation for a natural disaster. (2 marks)
3. (a) State **two** moral values one would learn from taking part in social activities. (2 marks)
- (b) Explain why moral values are important. (2 marks)
4. Describe how families manage their resources. (2 marks)
5. State **two** reasons why the mangrove ecosystem should be conserved or protected. (2 marks)

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