

West Bengal Civil Service Examination (Main), 2008

(Optional Papers)

HISTORY

Paper II

Time Allowed-3 Hours

Full Marks-100

Group - A

Answer *any three* questions

1. "Feudalism was not merely a social system, but a complete pattern of life." — Do you agree?
2. "Declaration of independence was revolutionary." — Do you think it to be a correct estimate of the American War of Independence?
3. Did the Reign of Terror really save France?
4. "Italy as a Nation is a legacy, the life-work of Cavour."— Elucidate.
5. How far did the Berlin Settlement (1878) solve the Eastern Question? Could Disraeli bring "peace with honor"?

Group-B

Answer *any two* questions.

6. "England grew but Prussia was manufactured" — Explain.
7. "The Anglican Vessel of Elizabeth glided smoothly between the clashing rocks of Romanism and Presbyterianism."-- Do you think it to be a correct estimate of Reformation in England?
8. "The Russian Revolution of 1917 was a single revolution which developed in two phases." — Explain.