

**CLASS: 5** 

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**CHAPTER NAME: THE STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE** 

**SUBTOPIC: LONG QUESTION AND ANSWER** 

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#### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

To enable the learner to know about:

- Their personal strategies to think, organize and learn.
- Their own strengths and develop areas for growth.

# **LONG QUESTION AND ANSWER**



- C. Answer the following questions.
- 1. According to the social reformers, why was Indian society divided and backward?

Ans. According to the social reformers Indian society was divided and backward due to social evils like –

- caste system
- sati pratha
- child marriage
- Killing female babies, etc.

### 2. Why did the reformers want to educate the people of India?

Ans. Social reformers wanted to educate the people of India because -

- They realized that social evils such as outdated customs and superstitions could be removed by education.
- Education can help in the progress of Indian society.



- 3. How did the thinking of the educated people in India change after the First War of Independence?
- Ans. . Reasons which change the thinking of the educated people in India after the First War of Independence –
- World War I broke out in 1914.
- Lakhs of Indian soldiers fought with the British army and sacrificed their life.
- Indians thought that the British would be more sympathetic towards them.
- But the British became harsher and imposed fresh taxes to recover the losses.
- Educated people of India realized the injustice of British rule and the value of freedom.
- 4. What was the difference between the 'moderate' and the 'radicals'?
- Ans. The moderates took the softer approach towards the British.
- Whereas the radicals believed in the stronger and more active opposition to the British.
- 5. Who said 'Freedom is my birthright, and I shall have it'?

Ans. Bal Gangadhar Tilak.

# 6. Why did the British think of partitioning Bengal?



Ans. The British thought of partitioning Bengal because –

- The feeling of nationalism was growing among the Indians.
- It was the strongest at that time in Bengal.
- The British realized that the Unity of the Indians was very dangerous for them.
- So the British divided Bengal on the basis of religion in 1905.

#### 7. What was the Swadeshi Movement?

Ans. Swadeshi Movement -

- Swadeshi means 'own country'.
- In Swadeshi Movement, People pledged to use goods made in India only and boycotted British goods.
- People burnt British goods.
- This movement started in Bengal but soon it spread to other parts of India. Everyone including women and students participated in the movement.

# 8. Why did the British impose more taxes on the people after World War I?

Ans. The British imposed more taxes on the people to recover the losses they suffered in World War I.



#### **HOME WORK**

 Why do you think we should learn about the British rule over India and the freedom struggle?



#### **LEARNING OUTCOME**

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