

The Great Indian DesertDate _____
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Fill in the blanks:

- ① An area in the desert with water and greenery is called an oasis.
- ② The camel is still an important means of transport in the desert.
- ③ The nomads of the Thar desert are called Banjaras.
- ④ The Indira Gandhi Canal which starts from Satluj river provides water to the parts of Thar Desert.
- ⑤ The traditional dress of Rajasthan men is dhoti-kurta and the colourful turban.

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Camel is used to carry loads, pull carts and plough fields.
- a) Plough fields ✓
 - b) Clean roads
 - c) Grow plants
 - d) Celebrate festivals
2. The Great Indian Desert is also known as Thar Desert.
- a) Thar Desert ✓
 - b) Sahara Desert
 - c) Gobi Desert
 - d) Kold Desert
3. Jaipur is also known as Pink city.
- a) Pink city ✓
 - b) Blue city
 - c) Green city
 - d) Yellow city

④ The Western Desert lies mostly in the state of Rajasthan.

- Ⓐ Bihar
- Ⓑ Rajasthan ✓
- Ⓒ West Bengal
- Ⓓ Kashmir

⑤ People from all over the world come to Jaisalmer in Rajasthan during the Desert Festival.

- Ⓐ Desert Festival ✓
- Ⓑ Dussehra
- Ⓒ Diwali
- Ⓓ Eid

⑥ Animals that do not live in deserts:
Polar bear

- Ⓐ Snakes
- Ⓑ Scorpion
- Ⓒ Fox
- Ⓓ Polar bear ✓

7) Rajasthan is the hottest state in India.

- a) Haryana
- b) Bihar
- c) Gujarat
- d) Rajasthan ✓

8) Some of the features that make camel ideally suitable to live in a desert are:

- a) A camel cannot tolerate extreme temperature.
- b) ✓ A camel can survive without food and water for several days.
- c) A camel hump is not used to store food.

Write one word for the following:

- ① Hot and dry winds blowing at very high speed carrying clouds of sand. Sand storms
- ② The capital of Rajasthan. Jaipur
- ③ The Nomads of the Thar desert are called Banjaras
- ④ The Pushkar fair is held in this state Rajasthan
- ⑤ The canal which is fed by the Satluj river and provides water to the Thar desert. Indira Gandhi Canal
- ⑥ The only river that flows in the Thar desert. Luni river
- ⑦ Most of the plants in the Thar desert belongs to Cactus family