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1. Read the given extract and answer the questions that follow.

1 × 4 = 4

Coorg, or Kodagu, the smallest district of Karnataka, is home to evergreen rainforests, spices and coffee plantations. Evergreen rainforests cover thirty per cent of this district. During the monsoons, it pours enough to keep many visitors away. The season of joy commences from September and continues till March. The weather is perfect, with some showers thrown in for good measure. The air breathes of invigorating coffee. Coffee estates and colonial bungalows stand tucked under tree canopies in prime corners.

(a) Why are there less visitors in Coorg during the monsoon season?

Ans. Because the water pours enough to keep the visitors away.

(b) What is the best time period for the tourists?

Ans. From September to March.

(c) Describe the weather from September to March.

Ans. The weather is perfect with some showers thrown in for good measure.

(d) Which word in the above lines means the same as 'refreshing'?

Ans. Invigorating.

2. Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words each.

2 × 4 = 8

(a) Where is Coorg situated and what type of people inhabit this land of rolling hills?

Ans. Coorg or Kodagu is smallest district of Karnataka which is home to evergreen rainforests, spices and coffee plantations. It is inhabited by proud race of martial men, beautiful women and wild creatures.

(b) What kind of stories are the Coorg people always ready to tell?

Ans. The fiercely independent people of Coorg are possibly of Greek or Arabic descent. As one story goes, a part of Alexander's army moved south along the coast and settled here when return became impractical.

(c) Why are the people of Coorg known as descendants of the Arabs?

Ans. The theory of Arab origin draws support from the long, black coat with an embroidered waist-belt worn by the Kodavus known as Kuppia; it resembles the Kuffia worn by the Arabs and the Kurds.

(d) Why has Coorg been referred to as 'a piece of heaven drifted from the kingdom of God'?

Ans. Because of the proud race of martial men, beautiful women and wild creatures inhabited in the land of rolling hills with home to evergreen rainforests, spices and coffee plantations.

3. Answer the following question in about 100-150 words.

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How do Coorg's location, people and natural features add to the diversity of India?

Ans. Coorg or Kodagu, the smallest district of Karnataka is home to evergreen rainforests, spices and coffee plantations. Evergreen rainforests cover thirty percent of this district. During the monsoons, it pours enough to keep the visitors away. This land of rolling hills is inhabited by a proud race of martial men, beautiful women and wild creatures. The weather is perfect from September to March with some shower thrown in for good measures. The air breathes of invigorating coffee. The river Kaveri obtains its water from the hills and forests of Coorg. Mahaseer - a large freshwater fish - abound in these waters. Birds, bees, butterflies are there to give you company. Monkeys, squirrels, langurs, and slender loris keep a watchful eye from the tree canopy. A walk across the rope bridge leads to the 64-acre island of Misargadhana.