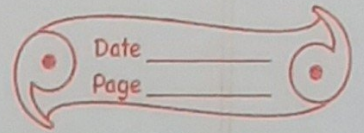


## A Fill in the blanks



- 1 The first European to find a sea route to India was Vasco-da-Gama.
- 2 The ~~first~~ British became very powerful in Bengal after the Battle of Plassey in 1757.
- 3 The revolt of 1857 started in the city of Meerut.
- 4 Behadur Shah Zafar was declared the leader of the 1857 revolt.
- 5 The British Government ~~was~~ took over the control of India from the East India Company.

B Write T for True and false sentences

- 1 On his first trip to India, Vasco da Gama landed in the city of Calcutta. F
- 2 The British bought cheap raw materials from Indians and sold them as finished goods at high prices. T
- 3 India became Independent from British rule after the rule of East India Company ended. F
- 4 The British were able to take control of India because the rulers were always fighting among themselves. T
- 5 The Revolt of 1857 was the first war of independence fought by the Indians. T

## MCR

- 1 Which of these countries traded with India about 500 years ago?
- a) Britain                      b) Portugal
- c) French                       d) all of these
- 2 One of these main items the European traders bought from India was:
- a) Furniture                      b) jewellery
- c) spices                      d) arms
- 3 The Indian soldier the revolt against the British was
- a) Tontia Tope                      b) Nana Soheb
- c) Rani Lakshmi Bai                       d) Mangal Pandey

4 The Mughal Emperor who participated in the first war of independence was

a) Bahadur Shah Zafar b) Akbar

c) Humayun

d) Shah Jahan

5 Who did the British defeat in the Battle of Plassey?

a) Tantia Tope

b) Nana Saheb

c) Rani Lakshmi Bai

d) Siraj-ud-Daulah

Write the names of the leaders of who led the revolt of the following places - Delhi, Kanpur, Lucknow, Gwalior and Jhansi

The names of the leaders who led the revolt were:-

Delhi - Bahadur Shah Jafar, Bakht Khan

Kanpur - Nana Sahib

Lucknow - Begum Hazrat Mahal

Gwalior - Tatya Tope

Jhansi - Rani Lakshmi Bai

"United we stand, divided we fall", Give examples from the chapter to prove your point.

The revolt of 1857 is a great example. Though it failed, Indians were inspired by the bravery of those who fought against the British. It made them realise the injustice of the British rule, and the value of freedom. It made them aware that if they stood united, they could defeat the British and gain independence.