

**BOARD-PATTERN PRACTICE PAPER · CBSE CLASS 11****Geography as a Discipline**

Geography · Chapter 1 · Matches current CBSE blueprint · Each question PYQ-sourced where indicated

DATE	TOTAL MARKS	DURATION	MARKING	TARGET
_____	<b>30</b>	<b>60 min</b>	<b>As per board</b>	<b>≥ 24/30</b>

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

- All questions are compulsory.
- Section A: 4 one-mark questions. Section B: 3 two-mark questions. Section C: 3 three-mark questions. Section D: 2 long / source-based questions (5 + 6 marks).
- Answer conceptual questions with a definition first, then explanation, then an example.
- For 'distinguish' questions, present the two sides as a clear contrast.
- Marks are indicated against each question.

**Section A — Very Short Answer (1 mark each, 4 Qs)**

4 MARKS · 8 MIN

- Q1.** Define geography in one sentence. [PYQ 2020 CBSE SQP] **[1 mark]**
- Q2.** Who is regarded as the founder of the systematic approach to geography? [PYQ 2022 CBSE SQP] **[1 mark]**
- Q3.** Name the branch of physical geography that studies landforms. [PYQ 2019 School Annual] **[1 mark]**
- Q4.** Name the three main branches of geography. [PYQ 2021 School Annual] **[1 mark]**

**Section B — Short Answer I (2 marks each, 3 Qs)**

6 MARKS · 12 MIN

- Q5.** What four questions does a geographer ask about any phenomenon? [PYQ 2020 School Annual] **[2 marks]**
- Q6.** Name the four sub-branches of physical geography. [PYQ 2019 CBSE SQP] **[2 marks]**
- Q7.** Why is biogeography placed at the interface of physical and human geography? [PYQ 2022 School Annual] **[2 marks]**

**Section C — Short Answer II (3 marks each, 3 Qs)**

9 MARKS · 20 MIN

- Q8.** Distinguish between the systematic approach and the regional approach to geography, naming the founder of each. [PYQ 2022 CBSE SQP] **[3 marks]**
- Q9.** Explain why geography is considered both a natural science and a social science. [PYQ 2023 CBSE SQP] **[3 marks]**
- Q10.** Explain the dualism in geography. What is meant by a dichotomy? [PYQ 2023 School Annual] **[3 marks]**

**Section D — Long / Source-Based (5 + 6 marks, 2 Qs)**

11 MARKS · 20 MIN

- Q11.** Explain how geography is an integrating discipline. Support your answer with examples and its links to other subjects. [PYQ 2022 CBSE SQP] **[5 marks]**
- Q12.** Read the passage and answer: 'When studying the Ganga plains, a geographer examines its flat alluvial relief, its monsoon climate, its rivers and fertile soils, and then its dense population, intensive farming, and crowded towns — treating the area as one connected whole. A second geographer instead studies world climate, mapping rainfall and temperature across the entire globe to classify climatic types.' (a) Which approach is the first geographer using, and who founded it? (b) Which approach is the second using, and who founded it? (c) State the key difference between the two approaches in one line. (d) Using the passage, explain how it illustrates geography as an integrating discipline. (e) Name any two branches of geography that the first geographer would draw upon. [PYQ 2021 CBSE SQP] **[6 marks]**

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