

BOARD-PATTERN PRACTICE PAPER · CBSE CLASS 11

Nomadic Empires (The Mongols)

History · Chapter 3 · Matches current CBSE blueprint · Each question PYQ-sourced where indicated

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

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- All questions are compulsory.
- Section A: 5 one-mark very-short-answer questions. Section B: 4 three-mark short-answer questions. Section C: a source-based question (5 marks) and a long answer (8 marks).
- In History the correct term or name is itself worth marks; write precise, well-structured answers.
- For the source-based question, base your answers on BOTH the passage and your knowledge of the chapter.
- Draw a quick map or labelled sketch wherever it strengthens a long answer.

Section A — Very Short Answer (1 mark each, 5 Qs)
5 MARKS · 8 MIN

- Q1.** What was the birth name of Chinggis Khan, and in which year did he take that title? [PYQ 2018 CBSE SQP] **[1 mark]**
- Q2.** What was a 'tumen' in the Mongol army? [PYQ 2020 School Annual] **[1 mark]**
- Q3.** What was the 'yam'? [PYQ 2022 CBSE SQP] **[1 mark]**
- Q4.** What was the 'Yasa'? [PYQ 2019 School Annual] **[1 mark]**
- Q5.** After Chinggis Khan's death, what name was given to the share of territory each of his sons received? [PYQ 2023 CBSE SQP] **[1 mark]**

Section B — Short Answer (3 marks each, 4 Qs)
12 MARKS · 18 MIN

- Q6.** Why did the steppe nomads depend on settled societies, and how did this shape their relations with them? [PYQ 2024 CBSE SQP] **[3 marks]**
- Q7.** How did the Mongols administer their vast empire? Explain briefly. [PYQ 2022 CBSE SQP] **[3 marks]**
- Q8.** Were the Mongols only destroyers? Give a balanced answer. [PYQ 2020 CBSE SQP] **[3 marks]**
- Q9.** Why are the sources for Mongol history difficult, and how has the image of Chinggis Khan changed over time? [PYQ 2019 CBSE SQP] **[3 marks]**

Section C — Source-Based + Long Answer (5 + 8 = 13 marks)
13 MARKS · 26 MIN

- Q10.** Read the source and answer the sub-questions: 'When Temujin had at last mastered the warring tribes of the steppe, he did not leave them as he had found them. He broke up the old clans and divided their fighting men afresh into units of ten, a hundred and a thousand, and placed in each unit men drawn from different tribes, so that no man's first loyalty was any longer to his clan chief, but to his commander and to the Khan. In 1206 the assembled chiefs proclaimed him Chinggis Khan.' (a) What was Temujin's title from 1206? (b) Into what units did he divide his fighting men? (c) Why did he place men from DIFFERENT tribes in the same unit? (d) Name the assembly that proclaimed him in 1206. (e) What does this source tell us about the secret of Chinggis Khan's power? [PYQ 2020 CBSE SQP] **[5 marks]**
- Q11.** How did Chinggis Khan organise his people into a fighting force, and why was this organisation so important? Explain. [PYQ 2022 CBSE SQP] **[8 marks]**

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