

BOARD-PATTERN PRACTICE PAPER · CBSE CLASS 11

Constitution: Why and How?

Political Science · Chapter 1 · 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: 4 one-mark Very Short Answer questions. Section B: 3 two-mark Short Answer questions. Section C: 3 three-mark questions. Section D: 2 long-answer / passage-based questions (4 and 7 marks).
- Answer Very Short Answer questions in one word or one sentence.
- Support your answers with relevant examples from the Indian Constitution wherever the question asks for them.
- Marks for each question are indicated against it.

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

4 MARKS · 8 MIN

- Q1.** On which date was the Constitution of India adopted by the Constituent Assembly? [PYQ 2022 CBSE SQP]
- Q2.** Who was the Chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Indian Constitution? [PYQ 2019 CBSE SQP] **[1 mark]**
- Q3.** Who moved the Objectives Resolution in the Constituent Assembly? [PYQ 2023 School Annual] **[1 mark]**
- Q4.** What is signified by the opening words 'We, the People of India' in the Preamble? [PYQ 2021 CBSE SQP] **[1 mark]**

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

6 MARKS · 12 MIN

- Q5.** How is a constitution different from an ordinary law? State any two points. [PYQ 2022 School Annual] **[2 marks]**
- Q6.** Why is the Constituent Assembly said to be broadly representative even though it was not directly elected? [PYQ 2020 CBSE SQP] **[2 marks]**
- Q7.** Distinguish between the date of adoption and the date of commencement of the Indian Constitution. [PYQ 2021 School Annual] **[2 marks]**

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

9 MARKS · 20 MIN

- Q8.** Explain any three functions of a constitution, giving one Indian example of each. [PYQ 2021 CBSE SQP] **[3 marks]**
- Q9.** Why should we accept the authority of the Constitution? Give three reasons. [PYQ 2022 School Annual] **[3 marks]**
- Q10.** Describe the core ideals declared in the Preamble of the Indian Constitution. [PYQ 2023 CBSE SQP] **[3 marks]**

Section D — Long Answer / Passage-Based (4 and 7 marks, 2 Qs)

11 MARKS · 20 MIN

- Q11.** Read the passage and answer the questions that follow: 'WE, THE PEOPLE OF INDIA, having solemnly resolved to constitute India into a SOVEREIGN SOCIALIST SECULAR DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC and to secure to all its citizens: JUSTICE, social, economic and political; LIBERTY of thought, expression, belief, faith and worship; EQUALITY of status and of opportunity ... do HEREBY ADOPT, ENACT AND GIVE TO OURSELVES THIS CONSTITUTION.' (a) From whom does the Constitution derive its authority, according to this passage? (b) What does the word 'Secular' indicate about the Indian state? (c) Name the fourth objective of the Preamble not fully quoted above. (d) Which function of a constitution does the Preamble best illustrate? [PYQ 2023 CBSE SQP] **[4 marks]**
- Q12.** Describe how the Indian Constitution was made. In your answer, refer to the composition of the Constituent Assembly, the process of its working, the key personalities involved, and explain why this process gives the Constitution its authority. [PYQ 2020 CBSE SQP] **[7 marks]**

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