Social Studies-Class-4

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2. Most people of Gujarat are traders and farmers.
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A. a) The average weather condition of a place is known as climate.
b) Hot and dry winds blow in summer called as Loo.
c) Amount of water vapour present in the air is known as atmosphere.
d) Spring is a season of India.
B. 1. The Climate of a place is the regular pattern of weather conditions for a long period of time.
2. i) The distance of a place from the equator.
   ii) The distance of a place from the sea.
3. The Monsoon winds bring rainfall in India.
4. Hot and dry winds called Loo which blow in northern India in the afternoon.
5. We experience a pleasant weather in spring season in India.
Chapter 13: The Soil
A. a) Orchard is a piece of land on which fruit trees are grown.
b) Soil made from dead leaves and plants is called as Humus.
c) Having steps cut out of a hill so that crops can be grown there are Terraces.
d) Chemicals or natural substances added to increase soil fertility are known as Fertilizers.
B. 1. Soil is the uppermost layer of the earth. It is formed when the rocks are broken into tiny particles by the actions of rain, wind, rivers and streams.
   i) Alluvial Soil - Rice, Wheat
   ii) Black Soil - Cotton, Oil seeds
   iii) Red Soil - Millet, Maize
   iv) Laterite soil - Tea, Coffee

   3. The black soil called as black cotton soil because the presence of lime and iron.
   4. The process of carrying away of the fertile layer of soil is called soil erosion. The factors responsible for soil erosion are cutting down of trees and forests, over grazing the fields and faulty agricultural practices.
   5. The process of preserving the soil from getting carried away is called soil conservation. By controlling grazing, making dams and reservoirs across rivers are the steps for the conservation of soil.

C. 1. cotton 2. slow 3. clay 4. Alluvial soil 5. orchard

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Chapter 14: Our Forests and Wild Life
A. a) A large area of land covered with trees is called as Forest.
b) In danger of becoming extinct is known as Endangered.
c) Forests which are found in the land is flooded by sea-water are known as marshy forests.
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b) Sun, wind and water are known as inexhaustible sources.
c) Hard and shiny material used to make many useful
things are known as metals.
d) Minerals are useful things which dug out from under the earth.
B. 1. The useful things dug out from under the earth are called minerals. Ex. Iron, Gold, Bauxite and Mica.
2. Mineral oil is known as liquid Gold. We get petrol, diesel, kerosene, cooking gas, grease etc. from it.
3. i) Iron - Machines, engines, knives and scissors
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iii) Gold-Ornaments
4. Coal is formed over millions of years from the dead remains of the plant. It is used in factories and trains.
5. Minerals take thousands of years to form which are known as exhaustible. Inexhaustible source of energy is called renewal energy.
C. 1. wealth 2. bauxite 3. mercury 4. coal
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A. a) The state of being poor is known as poverty.
b) Veterinary means connected with the medical treatment of sick animals.
c) Bullocks and cows are called cattle.
B. 1. The Domestic animals that we tame for our use are our livestock.
2. A new scheme which is introduced by government for the development of fishing and fisheries is known as blue revolution.
3. A scheme which is introduced to increase the production of milk is called as white revolution.
4. The resources which is mostly needed for the proper uses of soil, water, mine and livestock is known as Human resources.
5. The reasons for poverty in our country
i) Rapid growth of population
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