

CLASS-5

SOCIAL STUDIES

CHAPTER-1

EARTH-THE BLUE PLANET

A. Match the following.

Column (A)

1. Africa
2. Atlantic Ocean
3. Australia
4. Arctic Ocean
5. River Amazon

Column (B)

- a). the smallest ocean
- b). South America
- c). Sahara Desert
- d). S-shaped basin
- e). island continent

Ans: 1-a, 2-d, 3-e, 4-a, 5-b

B. Fill in the blanks.

1. Earth is the only planet that supports life.
2. 71 per cent of Earth is water and 29 per cent is land.
3. Africa is the second-most populous continent in the world.
4. Antarctica is the windiest continent.
5. Mariana Trench in the Pacific Ocean is the deepest point of Earth.

C. Circle the correct options.

1. A big consolidated land mass on Earth that consisted of all the present-day continent has been named as (**Pangaea**/Subcontinent).
2. The third-largest continent is (South/**North**) America.
3. (**South America**/Europe) has the shortest coastline of all the continents.
4. The largest ocean is the (**Pacific**/Indian) Ocean.
5. The (Southern/**Indian**) Ocean provides the major sea routes of the world.

Ans: 1-Pangaea, 2-North, 3-South America, 4-Pacific, 5-Indian

D. Answer the following questions in short.

1. What per cent of the Earth's area is covered with water?

Ans: 71 per cent of the Earth's area is covered with water.

2. Name the largest and smallest continents.

Ans: Asia is the largest and Australia is the smallest continent.

3. What is an isthmus?

Ans: A strip of land connecting two mainlands separated by water is called isthmus.

4. What connects North America to South America?

Ans: The Isthmus of Panama connects North America to South America.

5. What are oceans? Name the largest ocean in the world.

Ans: The ocean is the body of salt water which covers approximately 71% of the surface of the Earth. Pacific Ocean is the largest ocean in the world.

E. Answer the following questions in detail.

1. What are continents? Name the seven continents of the world in the decreasing order of their size.

Ans: The large land masses that have a great variety of physical features like forests, mountains, deserts, plains, rivers and lakes are called continents. The seven continents namely Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Europe and Australia.

2. Describe some features of Antarctica?

Ans: Followings are the features of Antarctica:-

1. Antarctica is the coldest, driest and the windiest continent.
2. About 98 per cent of Antarctica's surface is covered by ice.
3. It has 90 per cent of the world's total ice.
4. It has 70 per cent of the world's total freshwater.

3. Write three sentences about the Indian Ocean.

Ans: The Indian Ocean is the third-largest ocean covering 20 per cent of the Earth's surface. The Indian Ocean is connected to the Mediterranean Sea by the Suez Canal. It provides major sea routes to the world.

4. Write a short note on the Southern Ocean.

Ans: The Southern Ocean, also known as the Antarctic Ocean, lies in the Southern Hemisphere. It encircles Antarctica and gets through the merger of the Pacific, Atlantic and Indian Oceans into it.