

**CLASS 12**



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**ENGLISH COMPULSORY  
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## Indigo

### Chapter 5

1. Who is the author of the story "Indigo"?
  - a) Louis Fischer
  - b) R. K. Narayan
  - c) Khushwant Singh
  - d) Ruskin Bond
2. What is the main focus of "Indigo"?
  - a) The struggle for independence
  - b) The plight of indigo farmers and their struggle for justice
  - c) The growth of the textile industry
  - d) The life of Mahatma Gandhi
3. Who was the British official responsible for the indigo trade in the story?
  - a) Lord Mountbatten
  - b) Sir Charles Freer Andrews
  - c) Mr. M. B. Gandhi
  - d) Mr. Andrew Whitehead
4. What did the indigo farmers have to do under the British system?
  - a) Grow rice
  - b) Grow cotton
  - c) Grow indigo
  - d) Grow wheat
5. What was the primary reason for the farmers' dissatisfaction with the indigo cultivation system?
  - a) High taxes
  - b) Low profits and exploitative conditions
  - c) Poor soil quality
  - d) Lack of water
6. How did Gandhi become involved in the indigo farmers' struggle?
  - a) He was invited by the farmers to help
  - b) He was hired as a mediator by the British government
  - c) He was interested in the indigo trade
  - d) He was part of the British administration
7. What action did Gandhi take to support the indigo farmers?
  - a) He organized a strike
  - b) He launched a nonviolent protest
  - c) He appealed to the British government for reforms
  - d) He personally visited the farms to help
8. How did the British authorities respond to Gandhi's intervention?
  - a) They ignored his requests
  - b) They were supportive and made reforms
  - c) They threatened and tried to suppress the movement
  - d) They offered compensation to the farmers
9. What was the outcome of Gandhi's efforts for the indigo farmers?
  - a) The farmers received a fair price for their crops
  - b) The British government withdrew from the indigo trade
  - c) The farmers' debts were canceled
  - d) The indigo cultivation system was abolished
10. What role did the British official Mr. Andrew Whitehead play in the story?
  - a) He was a supporter of the farmers
  - b) He was a mediator in the dispute
  - c) He was a government official who tried to suppress the movement
  - d) He was a friend of Gandhi
11. How did Gandhi's approach to resolving the farmers' issues reflect his philosophy of nonviolence?
  - a) By using force to demand changes
  - b) By engaging in peaceful dialogue and protests
  - c) By avoiding any direct confrontation
  - d) By using legal measures and court cases
12. How did the indigo farmers benefit from Gandhi's intervention?

- a) They received financial compensation
- b) They were able to negotiate better terms for their produce
- c) They gained political representation
- d) They were relieved from the forced cultivation system

13. What was the primary reason behind the British exploitation of the indigo farmers?

- a) The demand for indigo in Europe
- b) The abundance of indigo in the region
- c) The strategic importance of indigo
- d) The low cost of indigo production

14. How did Gandhi's involvement affect his reputation among the farmers?

- a) It diminished his credibility
- b) It strengthened his relationship with the farmers
- c) It led to conflicts within the farmers' community
- d) It made him unpopular with the British

15. What was the significance of the "Indigo Movement" in the context of Indian history?

- a) It marked the beginning of the Indian independence movement
- b) It was a minor episode in Indian history
- c) It was a successful trade union movement
- d) It demonstrated the effectiveness of armed struggle

16. What did Gandhi's successful intervention in the indigo farmers' issue symbolize?

- a) The power of armed resistance
- b) The strength of individual leadership
- c) The effectiveness of nonviolent protest
- d) The need for economic reforms

17. How did the indigo farmers' lives change after the intervention?

- a) They continued to suffer under the same conditions
- b) They experienced improved economic conditions

- c) They were forced to switch to other crops
- d) They were given land for personal use

18. How did Gandhi's personal philosophy influence his approach to the indigo issue?

- a) It encouraged aggressive tactics
- b) It emphasized the importance of diplomacy
- c) It highlighted the use of nonviolent resistance
- d) It focused on economic solutions

19. What was the main challenge faced by Gandhi in negotiating with the British authorities?

- a) Lack of support from the Indian community
- b) Resistance from British officials and their indifference
- c) Limited resources and funds
- d) Internal disagreements among the farmers

20. How did the British government eventually respond to the indigo farmers' demands?

- a) They completely withdrew from the indigo trade
- b) They implemented reforms to improve farmers' conditions
- c) They increased the cultivation requirements
- d) They offered subsidies to the farmers

21. What impact did the indigo movement have on Gandhi's future political activities?

- a) It had no impact
- b) It motivated him to focus on economic issues
- c) It established him as a prominent leader in the Indian independence movement
- d) It led him to abandon political activism

22. How did Gandhi's tactics in the indigo movement compare to those used by other contemporary leaders?

- a) They were more aggressive
- b) They were less effective
- c) They were innovative and nonviolent
- d) They were similar to those used by British officials

23. What was the main strategy used by Gandhi to win support for the indigo farmers?

- a) Financial incentives
- b) Peaceful protests and negotiations
- c) Legal action
- d) Political campaigns

24. What lesson did Gandhi's intervention in the indigo movement offer to future activists?

- a) The importance of violent resistance
- b) The need for economic reforms
- c) The effectiveness of nonviolent resistance and negotiation

d) The significance of foreign support

25. What role did the media play in the indigo movement?

- a) It ignored the issue entirely
- b) It played a crucial role in highlighting the farmers' plight
- c) It supported the British authorities
- d) It was divided in its coverage



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## Answer Key

1. a  
2. b  
3. d  
4. c  
5. b  
6. a  
7. b  
8. c  
9. d  
10. c

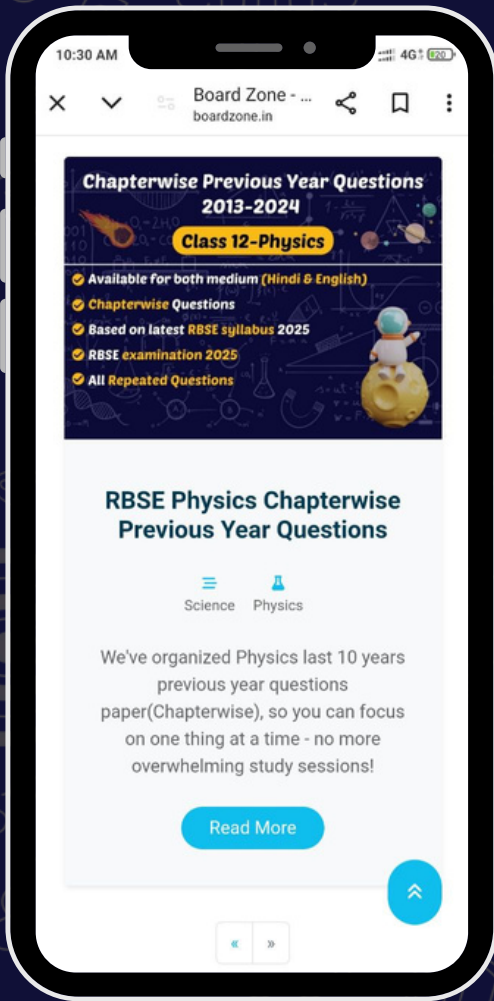
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19. b  
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21. c  
22. c  
23. b  
24. c  
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