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This question paper contains THREE (3) sections. Answer ALL questions in sections A and B, and choose only ONE (1) question in section C. Write your answer in the answer booklet. (50 MARKS)

SECTION A

(10 Marks)

Choose the correct answer.

1. Factors that contribute to the Golden Age of the Melaka Sultanate EXCEPT _____.
 - A strategic position in the narrow Straits of Melaka
 - B rich in natural resources
 - C diplomatic relationship with China
 - D Hindu religion center

2. The festival is held to celebrate the victory of light over darkness. This festival is related to _____.
 - A Deepavali
 - B Thaipusam
 - C Ponggal
 - D Wes'ak

3. Lessons from the 13 May 1969 tragedy are as follows, EXCEPT _____.
 - A each ethnic group must practice racial tolerance
 - B extreme politics can destroy unity
 - C economic imbalance between ethnic groups threatens the unity
 - D not to accept defeat

4. The plan that stated 'Promoting the Malay language as the national language and establishing an educational management system,' is included in the _____.
 - A Cheesemen Plan
 - B Fenn-Wu Report
 - C Razak Report
 - D Woodhead Report

5. Choose the **TRUE** statements regarding the civil service.

- I The position of the civil service remains the same, although the government of the day has changed in the country
- II Civil service officers at the Federal level hold office for as long as it pleases the YDPA
- III Civil services officers as state-level hold office for as long as it pleases the Sultan/Yang Dipertua Negeri
- IV Disciplinary action against members of the civil service is set out under the rules in the General Order.

- A I and II
- B I, II and III
- C II, III and IV
- D I, II, III and IV

6. In Malaysia, if a person has been arrested, he shall _____.

- A go to the nearest police station and make a police report about his arrest
- B be informed as soon as possible of the reasons for his arrest and he shall be allowed to consult and be defended by a legal practitioner of his choice
- C to let go off all designations held and be willing to go for trial
- D seek forgiveness from the court

7. Which of the following conditions were **TRUE** in the formation of the Malayan Union in 1946?

- I All Malay States, Melaka, Penang, and Singapore were to be united under one administration led by a governor.
- II The Malay Sultans were to be figureheads who only had authority over Malay customs and Islamic affairs.
- III The state commissioner was to be elected as the head of administration at the state level, and be assisted by State Councils
- IV Conditions for citizenship were to be based on the jus soli principle.

- A I, II and III
- B I, III and IV
- C II, III and IV
- D I, II, III and IV

8. When Parliament is dissolved, an election must be held within _____ days from the date of dissolution.
- A 30
 - B 40
 - C 50
 - D 60
9. The Malayan Union was introduced by the British to _____.
- A. ensure the economic interests of the British were protected.
 - B. prevent Singapore from separating from Malaya.
 - C. protect the sovereignty and powers of the Malay rulers.
 - D. help the Malays secure more economic and political power.
10. What factor brought about the existence of a multiracial society in this country?
- I Colonialism
 - II Imperialism
 - III Nationalism
 - IV Federalism
- A II, IV
 - B I, II
 - C I, II, IV
 - D I, II, III, IV

SECTION B

(20 Marks)

Answer **ALL** of the following questions.

1. As a democratic country, the government machinery is divided into **THREE (3)** branches of separation of powers. State all three of them. (3 marks)

2. List the **TWO (2)** main objectives of the 1970 New Economic Policy, also known as the "Two-pronged Strategy". (2 marks)
3. List **THREE (3)** importance of religion to an individual. (3 marks)
4. State **FOUR (4)** of the majority ethnic groups in Sarawak. (4 marks)
5. Give **TWO (2)** of the roles of the Yang di-Pertuan Agong. (2 marks)
6. State **THREE (3)** criteria that make a person eligible to become a voter. (3 marks)
7. Give **THREE (3)** examples of traditional Malay laws. (3 marks)

SECTION C

(20 Marks)

Choose only **TWO (2)** questions to be answered.

1. Discuss the importance of religion to all humans in a community. (10 marks)
2. In your opinion, what is the importance of having a foreign policy? What are the elements that are taken into account by the government in employing its foreign relations? (10 marks)
3. Discuss briefly the strategies employed by the Malaysian government to strengthen racial unity in this country. (10 marks)
4. Explain briefly the concept of Supremacy of the constitution. (10 marks)

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