

**Courses of Study
and
Scheme of Marking**

Class – VIII

"2020-2021"

THINGS TO REMEMBER FOR A QUALITY LIVING

- सत्यं वद।
Speak the truth
- धर्मं चर।
Lead a religious life.
- मातृ देवो भव।
Treat your Mother as God.
- पितृ देवो भव।
Treat your father as God.
- आचार्य देवो भव।
Treat your teacher as God.
- अतिथि देवो भव।
Treat your Guest as God.
- ओ३म् असतो मा सद्गमय।
तमसो मा ज्योतिर्गमय।
मृत्योर्मा मृतं गमय।
O Lord! Lead me from Unreal
to Real, from Darkness to Light,
from Death to Immortality

TEN PRINCIPLES OF THE ARYA SAMAJ

1. God is the primary source of all true knowledge and of all that can be known through it.
2. God is Existent, Intelligent and Blissful. He is formless. Almighty, Just, Merciful, Urborn, Infinite, Unchallengeable, Beginningless, Incomparable, the Support and Lord of all, Omniscient, Imperishable, Immortal, Fearless, Eternal, Holy and the Maker of the universe. To Him alone worship is due.
3. The Vedas are scriptures of true knowledge. It is the duty of the Aryas to read them, hear them being read and recite them to others.
4. We should always be ready to accept the truth and give up untruth.
5. All actions should be performed in conformity with Dharma, that is, after due consideration of right and wrong.
6. The primary aim of the Arya Samaj is to do good for all, that is, to promote their physical, spiritual and social well-being.
7. We should treat all people with love, fairness and due regards for their merit.
8. One should aim at dispelling ignorance and promoting knowledge.
9. One should not only be content with one's own welfare, but should look for it in the welfare of others also.
10. One should regard oneself under restriction to follow altruistic rulings of the society, while all should be free in following the rules of individual welfare.

DHARMA SHIKSHA (ENGLISH MEDIUM) DESIGN

I. Weightage to form of questions :

Type of Questions	MCQ	SA I	SA II	LA	Total
No. of Questions	10	6	11	5	32
Total Marks	10	12	33	25	80

II. Weightage to Content : Annual Examination 2020-2021

S. No.	Name of Units / Chapters	Allotment of Total teaching periods month wise	Weightage Marks
1	All about God	March : 2	6
2	The Vedas	April : 3	6
3	What do the Vedas Teach us?	June : 3	6
4	What is Dharma?	July : 5	9
5	The Five Yajnas	August : 5	6
6	A Balanced life. Its Four stages.	September : 4	6
7	Rishi Dayanand : The Founder of Arya Samaj	October : 3	10
8	The ten commandments of Arya Samaj	November : 4	5
9	Beliefs and precepts of Swami Dayanand	December : 4	8
10	The Martyrs of Arya Samaj	January : 2	8
11	Mahatma Hansraj and Value - based Education	January : 2	10
	Total		80

III. Weightage to difficulty level :

1. Difficult questions : 15%
2. Average questions : 45%
3. Easy questions : 40%

IV. Expected length of answers to different types of questions and time management :

S. No.	Types of Questions	Expected length of answer	Expected time for each question
1.	Long Answer (LA)	80-120 words	15 Minutes
2.	Short Answer (SA-II)	50/35-40 words	9/6 minutes
3.	Very Short Answer (SA-I)	1 word to one sentence	2 minutes
4.	Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)	One word answer	1 minute

V. Weightage of Marking

(a) Theory : The Written Examination will be of 80 marks.

(b) INTERNAL ASSESSMENT

<u>Tools of Internal Assessment</u>	Total Weightage (20 marks)
• <u>Periodic Tests</u> - Pen and paper test. The periodic tests will be conducted at School and the average of the best two will be reduced to 5 marks for internal assessment	5 Marks
• <u>Multiple Assessment</u> for each student to be done by using the tools of observation, oral test, individual / group work, field work, class discussion (Quiz, debates, role play, bulletin board etc.)	5 Marks

- **Subject Enrichment Activities** : (Assessment of speaking and listening skills) 5 Marks
- **Portfolio** 5 Marks
 - 1) Journal
 - 2) Notebook (to display exemplary work)

Assessing the Portfolio (Guidelines for teacher)

 - Organisation : (Neatness & visual appeal)
 - Completion of guided work focused on specific curriculum objective.
 - Evidence of students growth
 - Inclusion of relevant work.

VI. List of selected topics for Projects/Activities

Subject Enrichment Activities :	5 marks
1. Recitation of two Geeta Shlokas (compulsory)	2 M
2. Write a brief note on Vedas-meaning & types	3 M
3. Gyatri Mantra – meaning, importance and how and when should it be performed	5 M
4. DAV Song – Recitation (given in students diary)	3 M
5. Cross words puzzle on five Yajnas / Ashram Dharms / Varna System	3 M

6. Enacting real life situation based on Dharma / Religion / caste	3 M
7. Yajna : meaning, importance, connotations and types.	5 M
8. Shloka Recitation and performance of Havan (compulsory)	2 M
9. Stories related to Moral Values	3 M
10. Rhythmic Singing of National anthem	3 M
11. 10 Commandments / Principles of Arya Samaj	5 M
12. Enact on any harmful social customs of India	5 M