

## English - ICS Part 2 English Chapter 2 Short Questions Preparation

Q1. Compare the sanitary conditions of the past with present as mentioned in the lesson "Using the Scientific Method".

**Ans 1:** Sanitary conditions in our larger cities one hundred years ago were very poor, Streets were narrow, unpaved and poor drained, Garbage was thrown in the streets, Outdoor toilets were common. But today our city streets are paved, well drained and well cleaned, Sewerage from all sections of city is carried through sealed pipes. Clean water is supplied to the inhabitants.

Q2. How are we better than our ancestors?

**Ans 1:** The people of the past, generally believed in the signs of good luck and bad luck. Some of these signs were black cats, broken mirror and the number 13. Now science has demonstrated that we should not believe in the baseless things, We should believe only in these ideas which are supported by fact.

Q3. State how science has made man open minded?

**Ans 1:** Superstitions are feelings that involve baseless fears, Without this they feel themselves insecure, Science has told us there is some logical reasoning for every happening. We believe in new things. We have become broad minded. We have removed our Superstitions.

Q4. How is water supplied to towns and cities today?

**Ans 1:** Today, Science has solved the problem of drinking water. Now cities and towns have proper water supply systems. Like Los Angeles most of the cities are supplied sufficient pure and clean drinking water through sealed pipes to meet the requirements of the population.

Q5. Why was variety of food limited in the past?

**Ans 1:** In the past water was obtained from sources that contained disease producing germs, So this water was contaminated and caused disease.

Q6. What kind of disease, according to the writer are caused by unsanitary conditions?

**Ans 1:** The unsanitary conditions cause the disease like typhoid fever, cholera and dysentery, One should be mindful of one's cleanliness to avoid such diseases.

Q7. How did wives preserve food in the past?

**Ans 1:** In the past, thrifty housewives preserved fruits and vegetables by canning, pickling and drying them or other unreliable

method, So there was always a fear of its growing poisonous.

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Q8. How has the scientific method enabled us to get over the old fear?

**Ans 1:** The scientific method has taught us that there must be a sound basis for every happening. Therefore we do not believe in superstitious beliefs. Today evil spirits and fortune telling have no effect on our lives.

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Q9. How we can preserve our food today?

**Ans 1:** Today science has helped us to improve our method of preservation. We now have dehydration. This method is not injurious at all. It is not only healthful but it also increases the nutritional value of the preserved food.

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Q10. What was the ratio of survival in newborn babies up to one year, two hundred years ago?

**Ans 1:** Two hundred years ago, the death rate among children was very high. Seven out of eight babies died before reaching their first birthday.

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