



**CLASS - VI - SOCIAL SCIENCE CLASS WORK NOTES**

**1. UNDERSTANDING DIVERSITY**

**I. Technical Words**

1. Diversity - The State of being different
2. Enrich - Improve the quality of Something
3. Dialects - Particular Language that is peculiar to a Specific region or group
4. Linguistic - Related to languages
5. Harmony - Living together peacefully
6. Diabolic - Disgraceful Cruel and Pleasant

**II. VERY SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS**

**Q. 1. Define diversity.**

**Ans.** Means state of being diverse.

**Q. 2. How does diversity enrich our knowledge?**

**Ans.** Diversity enriches our knowledge because it give us lot of ideas.

**Q. 3. Why do you think India is a country of diversities?**

**Ans.** India is a country of diversity because people follow different cultures, religions and languages.

**Q. 4. Who was Vasco da Gama?**

**Ans.** Vasco da Gama was a Portuguese navigator who discovered sea route to India.

**III. SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS**

**Q. 1. What is meant by diversity?**

**Ans.** Diversity means the state of being diverse. Diversity may be in the fields of cultures religions, languages and beliefs etc.

**Q. 2. Make a list of the festivals that are celebrated in your locality. Which of these festivals are celebrated by the members of different regional and religious communities?**

**Ans.** Dussehra, Diwali, Holi, Lohri, Eid and Christmas etc. are celebrated in our locality. These festivals are also celebrated by the members of different regional and religious communities.

**Q. 3. 'Unity in Diversity' is an appropriate phrase to describe India. Justify this statement.**

**Ans.** India's diversity has always been proved as a source of its strength. During India's freedom struggle, men and women from different linguistic, cultural, religious and regional backgrounds came together to oppose the British colonial rule and proved 'Unity of India'.

#### **IV. LONG ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS**

**Q. 1. How does living in India with its rich heritage of diversity add to our lives?**

**Ans.** Living in India with its rich heritage of diversity add to our lives in many ways:

- (i) In India different types of people who come from all kinds of backgrounds can help to make friendship with the people who are very different. This can enrich our quality of life.
- (ii) Diversity enriches our knowledge and it gives lots of ideas.

**Q. 2. How do historical and geographical factors influence the diversity of a region?**

**Ans.** The historical and geographical factors influence the diversity of a region. The history of many places shows as to how many different influences have helped to shape life and culture there. Diversity also weaves the very fabric of unity when people adapt their lives to the geographical area in which they live.

**Q. 3. What are several characteristics of diversity in India?**

**Ans.** Characteristics of diversity in India are:

- (i) **Different Languages:** The people of India speak different languages that reflects that India is a diverse country.
- (ii) **Many Religions:** People of India have the freedom to follow any religion.
- (iii) **Different culture:** Culture refers to the customs and beliefs, art, way of life and social organisation.
- (iv) People of India have different cultural backgrounds.
- (v) Different Dance, festivals, music, food habits. Clothes also reflect India's diversity.

#### **PICTURE STUDY**

These are the different dance forms of India

- (i) Identify the dance forms.
- (ii) In which regions did they originate?
- (iii) For each of these regions, give one example of:

- (a) a popular dish or food item
- (b) dress
- (c) main language

**Ans.**

Picture	I	II	III	IV	V
Dance	Kathak	Bhangdha	Kathakali	Manipuri	Bharatnatyam
Region	North Indian	Punjab	Kerala	Manipur	Tamil Nadu
Dish food		Sarso ka saag makke ki roti			
Dress		Salwar Suit Lungi			
Language		Punjabi			