

AREA OF META DATA	CONTENT
THEME	Quiz on The Mauryan Empire
SUBJECT	History
LINKAGE OF THEME WITH CHAPTERS(NAME)	ASHOKA, THE EMPEROR WHO GAVE UP WAR
CLASS/LEVEL	Class VI
Target Audience	Students
OBJECTIVES	To assess students understanding of the lesson.
DESCRIPTION	<p>Approximately 1900 years before the rise of the Mughal Empire, India saw its empire rise. Do you know the difference between an empire and a kingdom? An empire is a large group of kingdoms or states governed by a single person or a single government while a kingdom is a state with a king or queen as its head. An empire is ruled by an emperor. The foundation of the first empire in India was laid by the Mauryan Dynasty in Magadha. The first three rulers of the Mauryan Dynasty were Chandragupta Maurya, Bindusara and Ashoka. The empire stretched across the sub-continent including large parts of Afghanistan.</p>
KEY WORDS	
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An Overview

- The foundation of the first empire in India was laid by the Mauryan dynasty in Magadha. Chandragupta Maurya became the first Mauryan ruler after overthrowing Dhana Nanda.
- One of the important effects of Alexander's invasion was the destruction of small kingdoms which helped in the establishment of a new empire.
- Megasthenes in his book Indica and Chanakya in Arthashastra have given detailed accounts of the administrative, political, economic and military system of the Mauryan Empire.
- Chandragupta ruled for about 24 years after which he gave up his throne to his son Bindusara. Bindusara was succeeded by Ashoka.
- Ashoka is regarded as one of the greatest rulers of the world.
- He waged a war on Kalinga and this war changed him from a great warrior to a great advocate of peace.
- Ashoka became an ardent follower of the Buddha's teachings. He built many stupas and viharas.
- Most of Ashoka's edicts are about dhamma which was a code of conduct and a way of life.
- The Mauryan Empire comprised of four provinces. The provincial government was under the control of princes.
- The Mauryan art and architecture was quite advanced. It is reflected in the Ashokan Pillars, Stupas, Lion thrones, Cave residences.
- The Mauryan Empire started to decline after the death of Ashoka because his successors lacked the ability to efficiently run the large empire.

QUIZ TIME!

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- Time limit for the quiz is 5 minutes.
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- For every wrong answer 2 attempts to be given.
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LETS BEGIN

1. Give another name for Viharas?
 - a) Monasteries
 - b) Ashramas
 - c) Varna

2. Name the founder of the Mauryan Empire?
 - a) Ashoka
 - b) Ajatsattu
 - c) Chandragupta Maurya

3. Why was the Kalinga war a turning point in Ashoka's life?
 - a) He saw a lot of bloodshed, loss of lives which made him adopt dhamma
 - b) He was angry with his army
 - c) He wanted to spread Jainism
 - d)

4. Name the officials appointed by Ashoka to spread dhamma among people.

- a) Tax collectors
- b) Governors
- c) DhammaMahamatta

5. Who's ideas were written down in the Arthashastra?
- a) Ashoka
 - b) Chandragupta Maurya
 - c) Kautilya

6. Identify the image given below



- a) Lion Capital
- b) Iron Pillar
- c) None of the above

7. Why did Ashoka adopt Dhamma?
- a) He wanted to show his prestige and power
 - b) He wanted to earn respect from his subjects
 - c) He wanted to solve some problems of his kingdom which was a result of diversity among the people
8. Kalinga was the ancient name of Bengal.
- a) False
 - b) True
9. Name the Greek ambassador who visited the court of Chandragupta Maurya.
- a) Alexander
 - b) Megasthenes
 - c) Hieun Tsang
10. Name the four important rulers of the Mauryan dynasty.
- a) Akbar, Jahangir and Shahjahan
 - b) Chandragupta Maurya, Bimbisara and Ashoka
 - c) None of the above

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