

## Vidya Bhawna balika Vidyapeeth. shakti utthan aashram Lakhisarai

Class-8<sup>th</sup>

(Based on N C E R T pattern)

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History

Women and reforms

Question 1.

Why are social reformers described so?

Answer:

Social reformers are described so because they felt that some changes were essential in society and unjust practices needed to be rooted out.

Question 2.

How did reformers bring changes in society?

Answer:

They brought changes in society by persuading people to give up old practices and adopt a new way of life. .

Question 3.

What do you mean by 'sad'?

Answer:

Widows who chose death by burning themselves on the funeral pyre of their husbands were known as 'sati', meaning virtuous woman.

Question 4. Who was known as Vaishyas? Answer: Traders and moneylenders were known as Vaishyas.

Question 5. Who was Raja Rammohun Roy? Answer:

Raja Rammohun Roy was a learned social reformer. He was well versed in Sanskrit, Persian, and several other Indian and European languages. He raised voice against the practice of Sati and got it rooted out.

Question 6.

What was the hook swinging festival?

Answer:

It was a popular festival in which devotees underwent a peculiar form of suffering as part of ritual worship. With hooks pierced through their skin, they swung themselves on a wheel.

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