

CH-2: UNDERSTANDING SECULARISM

Class: VIII

Subject: S.P.L

Fill in the blanks:

1. The most important aspect of secularism is its separation of _____ from _____.
2. The tyranny of _____ could result in the discrimination, coercion and persecution of religious minorities.
3. The objectives of Indian secularism are:
 - a. One religious community does not _____ another.
 - b. Some members do not dominate other members of the _____ community.
 - c. The state does not _____ any particular religion nor take away the religious _____ of individuals.
4. The policies of Indian state to secure the above objective are:
 - a. The strategy of _____ itself from religion.
 - b. The strategy of non - _____.
 - c. The strategy of _____.
5. In U.S.A most children in government schools have to begin their school day reciting _____.
6. In February 2004, _____ passed a law banning students from wearing any visible religious or political signs or symbols.
7. The knowledge that certain rights exist makes us _____ to their violations and enables us to take _____ when these violations take place.

Tick the correct answer:

8. Laws relating to- equal inheritance right, abolishing of untouchability and sati practice are examples where state had adopted the policy of-
 - a. Intervention
 - b. Non-interference
9. The special feature of Indian secularism compared to secularism of U.S.A is the strategy of
 - a. Intervention
 - b. Non-interference
10. The _____ state is not strictly separate from religion but it does maintain a principled distance vis-à-vis religion.
 - a. Indian
 - b. U.S.A