CHAPTER 1. They Made History

Oral Questions:

1 What did Emperor Ashoka do after the Kalinga war?

Ans - After Kalinga war Emperor Ashoka left his kingdom and became a follower of Lord Buddha .

2 Why is Akbar remembered as a great Emperor?

Ans - Akbar is remembered as a great Emperor because -

- He established Hindu Muslim unity .
- He built many monuments.

Write short answers:

1 . Name the earliest holy books of the Hindus

Ans - The Vedas and the Puranas are the earliest holy books of Hindus.

2 Whose birthday is celebrated on Christmas?

Ans- Jesus Christ's birthday is celebrated on Christmas.

3 What message did Prophet Muhammad spread?

Ans- The message of Prophet Muhammad was that `God is one '.

4 Who was Krishnadeva Raya? What did he do for his people?

Ans a) Krishnadeva Raya was the mighty king of Vijayanagar empire in South India .

b) He constructed water tanks , dams and canals for irrigation purposes .

5 Name the holy book of the Parsis .

Ans - The Zend Avesta is the holy book of the Parsis .

6 Name the monuments built during Akbar's time. Describe at least one.

Ans - The monuments built during Akbar's time were -

- Agra Fort and Fatehpur Sikri.
- Fatehpur Sikri is made of red sandstone and marble .

Answer the following questions:

1 How did Raja Ram Mohan Roy enlighten the people about social evils?

Ans - Raja Ram Mohan Roy enlightened the people about social evils -

- By spreading education .
- By doing social work .
- By writing articles against social evils.
- 2 What did Sir Syed Ahmed Khan do as a social reformer?

Ans - Sir Syed Ahmed Khan did the following things as a social reformer -

- Opened schools and colleges.
- Spread education in Muslim community .
- 3 What did Ramabai Ranade work for ?

Ans - Ramabai Ranade worked for the following -

- Widow re- marriage .
- Primary education of girls and women .
- 4 What changed the life of Emperor Ashoka and how?
- Ans- a) The blood shed during the battle of Kalinga changed the life of Emperor Ashoka .
 - b) He left his kingdom and became the follower of Lord Buddha.

5 What were the achievements of Indians in the field of mathematics?

Ans - Achievement of Indians in the field of mathematics are -

- The concept of zero was born in India.
- Decimal system was developed by Indians.
- 6 You have read about many religions . What do you think is common in all religions ?
- Ans a) Every religion teaches us that God is one.
 - b) Love and compassion towards all human beings .
 - c) Giving donations to poor and needy .

Hots question:

How can education bring an end to social evils like sati and child marriage?

Ans- Education helps us to know the difference between right and wrong and thus helps to end social evils like sati pratha and child marriage.