

Social Studies - class - IV  
Chapter :- 2 - Calendars and Timeline

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Q1) Answer the following questions :-

01) Which calendar is internationally the most popular civil calendar? Who introduced this calendar?

Ans:- The Gregorian Calendar is internationally the most popular civil calendar.  
Pope Gregory XIII introduced this calendar in October 1582.

02) What do you understand by the term Leap Year?

Ans:- The term Leap Year refers to a year that happens every four years where one extra day is added to February to make it 29 days. A Leap Year has 366 days instead of the normal 365 days.

03) Distinguish between AD and BC.

Ans:- The differences between AD and BC are as follows:-

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AD

BC

i) The letters AD stand for 'Anno Domini'

i) The letters BC stand for 'Before Christ'.

ii) It is also known as CE (Common Era)

ii) It is also known as BCE (Before Common Era)

Q4) How will you find a leap year in the Saka Calendar?

Ans: In the Saka Calendar years are counted from 78 AD/CE of the Gregorian Calendar. To find a leap year in the Saka Calendar we have to add 78 to the Saka year. If the result is a leap year in the Gregorian calendar, then the Saka year will also be a leap year.

ii) Fill in the blanks (Book ex - pg - 13)

i) The Indian Government started using the Saka Calendar from March 22, 1957.

- 2) Phalgun is the last month according to Saka Calendar.
- 3) AD stands for Anno Domini which in simple language means the year of the Lord.
- 4) The birth of the Christ is the focal point from which we count the dates.
- 5) BCE is also used in place of BC.

III Match the following :- (Book - ex - pg - 18)

- 1) Circa - (c) Approximate date.
- 2) AD - (a) CE
- 3) Gregorian Calendar - (b) October 1582
- 4) February - (e) 28/29 days
- 5) Pausha - (d) 30 days

IV State 'True' or 'False' :- (Book ex - pg - 18)

- 1) Alexander's invasion took place 326 years before Christ. - True
- 2) Time period is calculated either in BC or AD. - True
- 3) The Saka Calendar is the official calendar used in India. - True
- 4) The month 'Shravana' has 30 days. - False

5) The month 'September' has 31 days. - False

Q7 Choose the correct option :- (Book - ex - pg - 12)  
(HOME WORK)

1) Gregorian calendar was introduced by  
(a) Pope Gregory XIII (b) Thomas Gregory (c) Thomas M  
Ans: - (a) Pope Gregory XIII

2) A leap year has  
(a) 365 days (b) 366 days (c) 367 days  
Ans: - (b) 366 days

3) The month 'October' (as per Gregorian calendar)  
has  
(a) 30 days (b) 31 days (c) 29 days  
Ans: - (b) 31 days.

4) The Indian National Calendar is also called  
(a) Saka Calendar (b) Gregorian Calendar (c) Egyptian  
calendar  
Ans: - (a) Saka Calendar

5) Which among the following is the first month  
according to Saka calendar?  
(4)

(a) Kāṣṭhika (b) Vaiśākha (c) Chaitra

Ans: (c) Chaitra

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Ans:

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