

Geography
class - IV
Ch-2 Physical Division of India-1

A. Answer the following questions:

1. What is a physical division?
→ A single type of landform spread over a large area forms a physical division.
2. Name the five physical division of India.
→ The five physical division of India -
 - The Northern Mountains
 - The Northern Plains
 - The Peninsular or Central Plateau
 - The Thar Desert
 - The Coastal Plains
3. Differentiate between the Himachal and the Himadri under the following heads -
a) Average altitude b) One special feature each.

Ans: <u>Himachal</u>	<u>Himadri</u>
a) Average altitude is about 4,500m	Average altitude is about 6,000m
b) The slopes are covered with dense forests in most areas and lush grasses in some.	The peaks are sharp and the slopes, steep.

4. How does the Himalayas affect the climate of India? State two ways.
→ The Himalayas affect the climate of India. Two ways are -
 - i) The Himalayas act as a barrier or wall in the north, stopping the cold winds from Central Asia from entering into India. Thus, our winters are not so cold or harsh.

ii) The Himalayas also stop the rain bearing monsoon winds, coming from the surrounding seas into India, from passing over further northwards towards Tibet. This ensures that all the rain falls over India during rainy season.

5. Why are the Northern Plains known as the food bowl of India?

Ans:— The flat fertile plains have enabled people to grow a variety crops of since the earliest times and thus has earned it the name of the food bowl of India.