

Class 8th  
History chapter 5  
When People Rebel

Answer these questions -

Q.1 what was the demand of Rani Lakshmbai of Jhansi that was refused by the British?

Ans. Rani Lakshmi Bai did not have a son who could succeed to The throne. She had adopted a son and wished that the Company would recognise him as the successor. The British did not accept this demand.

Q.2 what did the British do to protect the interests of those who converted to Christianity ?

Ans. The British did a lot to protect the interests of those who converted to Christianity. In 1850, a new law was passed to make conversion to Christianity easier. This law allowed an Indian who had converted to Christianity to inherit the property of his ancestors. They were given additional rights to compared to other Indians.

Q.3 what objection did the sepoy have to the new cartridges that they were asked to use?

Ans. In 1856, the Indian soldiers were given greased cartridges which were to be bitten with one's teeth before they could be fired. It was suspected that these cartridges were coated with the fat of cows and pigs. This enraged the Hindu and Muslim soldiers in the Indian army. The Indian soldiers got agitated and refused to use those cartridges. It also became the immediate cause of the revolt of 1857.

Q.4 How did the last Mughal emperor live the last years of his life ?

Ans. The last Mughal emperor Bahadur Shah Zafar, was captured and tried in the court. He was sentenced to life imprisonment. He and his wife, Begum Zeenat Mahal, were sent to prison at Rangoon in October, 1858. Bahadur Shah Zafar died in the jail in November 1862.

Additional Questions :-

Q.1 When did the British occupy Jhansi ?

Ans. The British occupied Jhansi in 1859.

Q.2 Who was the first martyr of the revolt of 1857 ?

Ans. Mangal Pandey was the first martyr of the revolt of 1857.

Q.3 Who led the revolt of 1857 at Kanpur?

Ans. Nana Saheb Led the revolt of 1857 at Kanpur.

Q4. Where did Rani Lakshmi Bai breath her last?

Ans. Rani Lakshmi Bai died fighting in the battlefield at Gwalior.

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