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- ii. Some members do not dominate other members of the same religious community;
- iii. State does not enforce any particular religion nor take away the religious freedom of individuals.

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Ans. Holidays in school calendar

| Religions | Holidays |
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| Hindu | Holi, Dussehra, Diwali |
| Muslim | Eid ul Zuha or Bakrid, Eid al-Fitr, Muharram |
| Sikh | Guru Gobind Singh Jayanti, Gurpurab |
| Christian | Christmas, Good Friday |

This indicates that India is secular country where religious freedom is granted to its citizens and all religions are equally respected.