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Consider the following countries: 1. Australia 2. Canada 3. China 4. India 5. Japan 6. USA Which of the above are among the 'free-trade partners' of ASEAN? (a) 1, 2, 4 and 5 (b) 3, 4, 5 and 6 (c) 1, 3, 4 and 5 (d) 2, 3, 4 and 6 Official key: C.

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Explanation**(a)**

(a) 1, 2, 4 and 5. Australia, India and Japan are **ASEAN** FTA partners, but Canada is not. Including Canada keeps this code off the key.

(b)

(b) 3, 4, 5 and 6. China, India and Japan are partners; the USA is not an **ASEAN** FTA partner in this list. This is not the key.

(c) Official key

(c) 1, 3, 4 and 5. **(c) Official key: ASEAN** has FTAs with China, Japan, South Korea, India, Australia and New Zealand (**ASEAN+1** agreements; later **RCEP** without India). Australia, China, India and Japan are therefore partners; Canada and the USA are not. That set is the stored key.

(d)

(d) 2, 3, 4 and 6. Canada and the USA are not **ASEAN** free-trade partners in the sense of the question. This is not the key.

Summary

Official key is (c) 1, 3, 4 and 5. **ASEAN's** extra-regional FTA partners include Australia, China, India and Japan (with Korea and New Zealand). Canada and the USA are not in that FTA set. Honour the stored letter (c).

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ASEAN

Ten South-East Asian states

ASEAN-India FTA

Goods in force 2010; services/investment later

RCEP

ASEAN+5; India withdrew in 2019

CPTPP

Separate Pacific pact; not ASEAN+USA/Canada FTA

ASEAN+3

China, Japan, South Korea

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