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Anthropology short notes

Descent, Filiation and Complimentary Filiation

UPSC Civil Services (Main) Examination · Anthropology Paper 1 · Anthropology GS 1 (Paper I)

Descent, Filiation and Complimentary Filiation

Short notes by official syllabus heading.

Revision notes for the Anthropology optional. Confirm thinkers and examples against standard texts and recent papers.

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Complimentary Filiation

Definition

A key feature distinguishing tribes from bands is the presence of pan-tribal sodality (associational organisation).

Thinkers

A.R. Radcliffe-Brown - structural-functionalism: institutions function like organs to maintain social structure. Kinship Studies in India - Irawati Karve E.B. Tylor - culture is that complex whole which includes knowledge, belief, art, morals, law, custom; unilinear evolution and survivals.

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