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Q1(e)

Historical Particularism.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2015 · Anthropology GS 1 · 10 marks · Historical particularism (Boas)

(b) Historical particularism (Boas); Diffusionism (British, German and American)

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Boas

Kwakiutl and Inuit work, plus The Mind of Primitive Man, broke racial-stage theory.

Lowie

Primitive Society argued that clans and states do not appear in one fixed order.

Kroeber

Culture-area maps and superorganic culture grew from Boasian particularism.

Steward

Multilinear evolution later allowed limited generalisation without Boas's veto on all laws.

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