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Q6(b)

Discuss the applications of forensic anthropology with suitable examples.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2024 · Anthropology GS 1 · 15 marks · Applications of Anthropology

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Clyde Snow

Helped establish the Argentine Forensic Anthropology Team and used remains to document enforced disappearances.

Krogman and Stewart

Major figures in systematising forensic skeletal identification and communicating its evidentiary limits.

Biological profile

An estimate of sex, age, stature and population affinity used to narrow a missing-person search, not by itself a name.

Taphonomy

Study of processes affecting remains from death to recovery, including decomposition, weathering, burial, animals and burning.

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