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Anthropology short notes

Principles of Prehistoric Archaeology. Chronology

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

(a) Principles of Prehistoric Archaeology. Chronology: Relative and Absolute Dating methods.

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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Principles Of Prehistoric Archaeology. Chronology

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Integrated geology with archaeology, especially stratigraphy, making Indian prehistory more scientific

Example / case study

Father & Father's brother called by same term. A person is a Brahmin because he is born in a Brahmin family, follows certain rituals, inherits ritual purity. A lower caste with economic power can challenge ritual status. Distillers (Boad caste) improved economic status under British rule → acquired land → challenged ritual dominance of warrior castes, earlier they were lower caste.

Definition

Physical Health: Menopause is associated with significant physical changes, such as osteoporosis (bone brittleness) and skin dryness, necessitating targeted public health interventions for the "Third Age" of a woman's life.

Example / case study

Krakatoa volcanic eruption (Indonesia, 1883) - layers below this date are older than 1883.
Obsidian glass used by Neolithic Mexico.

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