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UPSC Mains 2021 GS I

Questions only

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Answer key at the end of this PDF

Attempt the paper first. After the last question, this pack closes with a compiled answer key: official letters in boxed exam order, then a question-wise list with Solution links to WRAP Exams.

Q1 · 10 marks

Evaluate the nature of the Bhakti Literature and its contribution to Indian culture.

Topic · Indian Heritage and Culture

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/evaluate-the-nature-of-the-bhakti-literature-and-its-contribution-to-indian-culture/>

Q2 · 10 marks

Trace the rise and growth of socio-religious reform movements with special reference to Young Bengal and Brahmo Samaj.

Topic · World's Physical Geography

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/trace-the-rise-and-growth-of-socio-religious-reform-movements-with-special-reference-to-young-bengal-and-brahmo-samaj/>

Q3 · 10 marks

Assess the main administrative issues and socio-cultural problems in the integration process of Indian Princely States.

Topic · Post-independence Consolidation

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/assess-the-main-administrative-issues-and-socio-cultural-problems-in-the-integration-process-of-indian-princely-states/>

Q4 · 10 marks

Differentiate the causes of landslides in the Himalayan region and Western Ghats.

Topic · Geophysical Phenomena

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/differentiate-the-causes-of-landslides-in-the-himalayan-region-and-western-ghats/>

Q5 · 10 marks

Despite India being one of the countries of the Gondwanaland, its mining industry contributes much less to its Gross Domestic Product(GDP) in percentage. Discuss.

Topic · Natural Resources and Industries

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/despite-india-being-one-of-the-countries-of-the-gondwanaland-its-mining-industry-contributes-much-less-to-its-gross-domestic-product-gdp-in-percentage-discuss/>

Q6 · 10 marks

what are the environmental implications of the reclamation of the water bodies into urban land use? Explain with examples.

Topic · Women, Population and Urbanisation

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/what-are-the-environmental-implications-of-the-reclamation-of-the-water-bodies-into-urban-land-use-explain-with-examples/>

Q7 · 10 marks

Mention the global occurrence of volcanic eruptions in 2021 and their impact on regional environment.

Topic · Geophysical Phenomena

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/mention-the-global-occurrence-of-volcanic-eruptions-in-2021-and-their-impact-on-regional-environment/>

Q8 · 10 marks

Why is India considered as a sub-continent? Elaborate your answer.

Topic · World's Physical Geography

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/why-is-india-considered-as-a-sub-continent-elaborate-your-answer/>

Q9 · 10 marks

Examine the uniqueness of tribal knowledge system when compared with mainstream knowledge and cultural systems.

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/examine-the-uniqueness-of-tribal-knowledge-system-when-compared-with-mainstream-knowledge-and-cultural-systems/>

Q10 · 10 marks

Examine the role of 'Gig Economy' in the process of empowerment of women in India.

Topic · Women, Population and Urbanisation

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/examine-the-role-of-gig-economy-in-the-process-of-empowerment-of-women-in-india/>

Q11 · 15 marks

To what extent did the role of the moderates prepare a base for the wider freedom movement? Comment.

Topic · The Freedom Struggle

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/to-what-extent-did-the-role-of-the-moderates-prepare-a-base-for-the-wider-freedom-movement-comment/>

Q12 · 15 marks

Bring out the constructive programmes of Mahatma Gandhi during Non-Cooperation Movement and Civil Disobedience Movement.

Topic · The Freedom Struggle

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Q13 · 15 marks

" There arose a serious challenge to the Democratic State System between the two World Wars." Evaluate the statement.

Topic · History of the World

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/there-arose-a-serious-challenge-to-the-democratic-state-system-between-the-two-world-wars-evaluate-the-statement/>

Q14 · 15 marks

Briefly mention the alignment of major mountain ranges of the world and explain their impact on local weather conditions, with examples.

Topic · World's Physical Geography

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/briefly-mention-the-alignment-of-major-mountain-ranges-of-the-world-and-explain-their-impact-on-local-weather-conditions-with-examples/>

Q15 · 15 marks

How do the melting of the Arctic ice and glaciers of the Antarctic differently affect the weather patterns and human activities on the Earth? Explain.

Topic · Indian Heritage and Culture

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/how-do-the-melting-of-the-arctic-ice-and-glaciers-of-the-antarctic-differently-affect-the-weather-patterns-and-human-activities-on-the-earth-explain/>

Q16 · 15 marks

Discuss the multi-dimensional implications of uneven distribution of mineral oil in the world.

Topic · Natural Resources and Industries

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/discuss-the-multi-dimensional-implications-of-uneven-distribution-of-mineral-oil-in-the-world/>

Q17 · 15 marks

What are the main socio-economic implications arising out of the development of IT industries in major cities of India?

Topic · Natural Resources and Industries

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2021/what-are-the-main-socio-economic-implications-arising-out-of-the-development-of-it-industries-in-major-cities-of-india/>

Q18 · 15 marks

Discuss the main objectives of Population Education and point out the measures to achieve them in India in detail.

Topic · Women, Population and Urbanisation

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Q19 · 15 marks

What is Cryptocurrency? How does it affect global society? Has it been affecting Indian society also?

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

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Q20 · 15 marks

How does Indian society maintain continuity in traditional social values? Enumerate the changes taking place in it.

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

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Compiled answer key

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