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UPSC Mains 2023 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

Explain the role of geographical factors towards the development of Ancient India.

Topic · World's Physical Geography

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/explain-the-role-of-geographical-factors-towards-the-development-of-ancient-india/>

Q2 · 10 marks

What was the difference between Mahatma Gandhi and Rabindranath Tagore in their approach towards education and nationalism?

Topic · The Freedom Struggle

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Q3 · 10 marks

Bring out the socio-economic effects of the introduction of railways in different countries of the world.

Topic · World's Physical Geography

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/bring-out-the-socio-economic-effects-of-the-introduction-of-railways-in-different-countries-of-the-world/>

Q4 · 10 marks

Discuss the consequences of climate change on the food security in tropical countries.

Topic · Geophysical Phenomena

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/discuss-the-consequences-of-climate-change-on-the-food-security-in-tropical-countries/>

Q5 · 10 marks

Why is the world today confronted with a crisis of availability of and access to freshwater resources?

Topic · Natural Resources and Industries

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/why-is-the-world-today-confronted-with-a-crisis-of-availability-of-and-access-to-freshwater-resources/>

Q6 · 10 marks

How are the fjords formed? Why do they constitute some of the most picturesque areas of the world?

Topic · World's Physical Geography

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/how-are-the-fjords-formed-why-do-they-constitute-some-of-the-most-picturesque-areas-of-the-world/>

Q7 · 10 marks

Why is the South-West monsoon called 'Purvaiya' (easterly) in Bhojpur Region? How has this directional seasonal wind system influenced the cultural ethos of the region?

Topic · Geophysical Phenomena

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Q8 · 10 marks

Do you think marriage as a sacrament in loosing its value in Modern India?

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/do-you-think-marriage-as-a-sacrament-in-losing-its-value-in-modern-india/>

Q9 · 10 marks

Explain why suicide among young women is increasing in Indian Society.

Topic · Women, Population and Urbanisation

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/explain-why-suicide-among-young-women-is-increasing-in-indian-society/>

Q10 · 10 marks

Child cuddling is now being replaced by mobile phones. Discuss its impact on the socialization of children.

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

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Q11 · 15 marks

What are the main features of Vedic society and religion? Do you think some of the features are still prevailing in Indian society?

Topic · Indian Heritage and Culture

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/what-are-the-main-features-of-vedic-society-and-religion-do-you-think-some-of-the-features-are-still-prevailing-in-indian-society/>

Q12 · 15 marks

What were the major technological changes introduced during the Sultanate period? How did those technological changes influence the Indian society?

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/what-were-the-major-technological-changes-introduced-during-the-sultanate-period-how-did-those-technological-changes-influence-the-indian-society/>

Q13 · 15 marks

How did the colonial rule affect the tribals in India and what was the tribal response to the colonial oppression?

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/how-did-the-colonial-rule-affect-the-tribals-in-india-and-what-was-the-tribal-response-to-the-colonial-oppression/>

Q14 · 15 marks

Comment on the resource potentials of the long coastline of India and highlight the status of natural hazard preparedness in these areas.

Topic · Natural Resources and Industries

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Q15 · 15 marks

Identify and discuss the factors responsible for diversity of natural vegetation in India. Assess the significance of wildlife sanctuaries in rain forests regions of India.

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

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Q16 · 15 marks

Why did human development fail to keep pace with economic development in India?

Topic · World's Physical Geography

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Q17 · 15 marks

From being net food importer in 1960s, India has emerged as a net food exporter to the world. Provide reasons.

Topic · World's Physical Geography

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Q18 · 15 marks

Does urbanization lead to more segregation and/or marginalization of the poor in Indian metropolises?

Topic · Women, Population and Urbanisation

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2023/does-urbanization-lead-to-more-segregation-and-or-marginalization-of-the-poor-in-indian-metropolises/>

Q19 · 15 marks

Why is caste identity in India both fluid and static?

Topic · Social Empowerment, Communalism and Secularism

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Q20 · 15 marks

Discuss the impact of post-liberal economy on ethnic identity and communalism.

Topic · Social Empowerment, Communalism and Secularism

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Compiled answer key

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Question-wise key

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