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UPSC Mains 2024 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

Underline the changes in the field of economy and society from Rig Vedic to later Vedic period.

Topic • Indian Heritage and Culture

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/underline-the-changes-in-the-field-of-economy-and-society-from-rig-vedic-to-later-vedic-period/>

Q2 • 10 marks

Estimate the contribution of Pallavas of Kanchi for the development of Art and literature of South India.

Topic • Indian Heritage and Culture

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/estimate-the-contribution-of-pallavas-of-kanchi-for-the-development-of-art-and-literature-of-south-india/>

Q3 • 10 marks

What were the events that led to the Quit India Movement? Point out its results.

Topic • The Freedom Struggle

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/what-were-the-events-that-led-to-the-quit-india-movement-point-out-its-results/>

Q4 • 10 marks

What is sea surface temperature rise? How does it affect the formation of tropical cyclones?

Topic • Geophysical Phenomena

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/what-is-sea-surface-temperature-rise-how-does-it-affect-the-formation-of-tropical-cyclones/>

Q5 • 10 marks

Why do large cities tend to attract more migrants than smaller towns? Discuss in the light of conditions in developing countries.

Topic · World's Physical Geography

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Q6 • 10 marks

What is the phenomenon of 'cloudbursts'? Explain.

Topic · World's Physical Geography

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/what-is-the-phenomenon-of-cloudbursts-explain/>

Q7 • 10 marks

What is the concept of a 'demographic winter'? Is the world moving towards such a situation? Elaborate.

Topic · World's Physical Geography

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Q8 • 10 marks

Distinguish between gender equality, gender equity and women's empowerment. Why is it important to take gender concerns into account in programme design and implementation?

Topic · Women, Population and Urbanisation

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/distinguish-between-gender-equality-gender-equity-and-womens-empowerment-why-is-it-important-to-take-gender-concerns-into-account-in-programme-design-and-implementation/>

Q9 • 10 marks

Intercaste marriages between castes which have socio-economic parity have increased, to some extent, but this is less true of interreligious marriages. Discuss.

Topic · Social Empowerment, Communalism and Secularism

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/intercaste-marriages-between-castes-which-have-socio-economic-parity-have-increased-to-some-extent-but-this-is-less-true-of-interreligious-marriages-discuss/>

Q10 • 10 marks

In dealing with socio-economic issues of development, what kind of collaboration between government, NGOs and private sector would be most productive?

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/in-dealing-with-socio-economic-issues-of-development-what-kind-of-collaboration-between-government-ngos-and-private-sector-would-be-most-productive/>

Q11 · 15 marks

"Though the great Cholas are no more, yet their name is still remembered with great pride because of their highest achievements in the domain of art and architecture."
Comment.

Topic · Indian Heritage and Culture

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/though-the-great-cholas-are-no-more-yet-their-name-is-still-remembered-with-great-pride-because-of-their-highest-achievements-in-the-domain-of-art-and-architecture-comment/>

Q12 · 15 marks

How far is it correct to say that the First World War was fought essentially for the preservation of balance of power?

Topic · History of the World

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/how-far-is-it-correct-to-say-that-the-first-world-war-was-fought-essentially-for-the-preservation-of-balance-of-power/>

Q13 · 15 marks

How far was the Industrial Revolution in England responsible for the decline of handicrafts and cottage industries in India?

Topic · History of the World

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/how-far-was-the-industrial-revolution-in-england-responsible-for-the-decline-of-handicrafts-and-cottage-industries-in-india/>

Q14 · 15 marks

The groundwater potential of the gangetic valley is on a serious decline. How may it affect the food security of India?

Topic · World's Physical Geography

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Q15 · 15 marks

What are aurora australia and aurora borealis? How are these triggered?

Topic · World's Physical Geography

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Q16 · 15 marks

What is a twister? Why are the majority of twisters observed in areas around the Gulf of Mexico?

Topic · World's Physical Geography

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Q17 · 15 marks

What is regional disparity? How does it differ from diversity? How serious is the issue of regional disparity in India?

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

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Q18 · 15 marks

Despite comprehensive policies for equity and social justice, underprivileged sections are not yet getting the full benefits of affirmative action envisaged by the Constitution. Comment.

Topic · Indian Society and Diversity

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/gs-1/2024/despite-comprehensive-policies-for-equity-and-social-justice-underprivileged-sections-are-not-yet-getting-the-full-benefits-of-affirmative-action-envisaged-by-the-constitution-comment/>

Q19 · 15 marks

Globalization has increased urban migration by skilled, young, unmarried women from various classes. How has this trend impacted upon their personal freedom and relationship with family?

Topic · Women, Population and Urbanisation

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Q20 · 15 marks

Critically analyse the proposition that there is a high correlation between India's cultural diversities and socio-economic marginalities.

Topic · World's Physical Geography

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Compiled answer key

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