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With reference to the cultural history of India, consider the following pairs: 1. Parivrajaka Renunciant and Wanderer 2. Shramana : Priest with a high status 3. Upasaka : Lay follower of Buddhism Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched? (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only (c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
Official key: B.

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Explanation

(a)

1 and 2 only. **Shramana** is an ascetic striver, not a high-status Vedic priest.

(b) Official key

1 and 3 only. Parivrajaka: wandering renunciant. Upasaka: Buddhist lay follower. **Shramana** ≠ priest.

(c)

2 and 3 only. Pair 2 fails.

(d)

All three. Pair 2 fails.

Summary

Official key is (b) 1 and 3 only. Parivrajaka is a wanderer-renouncer. Upasaka is a lay Buddhist. Shramanas (Buddhist, Jain, Ajivika) stand apart from high Vedic priesthood.

Related possible facts

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Shramana

Striver; counter-Vedic ascetic streams.

Upasaka / upasika

Lay men and women who take refuges.

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