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A Note to All Students About the Answer Key & Book Series

Hello students!

I hope you are doing well and working towards enhancing your general knowledge and awareness through the ‘Empowering GK with Global Jigyasa’ series among other resources.

Before you open the answer key, **I just want to make sure that you have tried your best to find the answers for yourself!** All of us as human beings love getting answers to questions asked. It is human nature in fact.

However, when it comes to GK or any other subject, it is important to make sure that **we try our best to find the answers for ourselves before we use resources like answer keys.** Students, trust me when I say that you learn more while searching for answers than you do once you get them.

General knowledge and awareness are all about reading new things. The joy of *jigyasa* or the curiosity to learn is what will make you better at GK. Keep your eyes and ears open to learn about anything happening around you, in your society, your nation and the world. We don't always need to learn with a clear objective in mind like an exam, a test or school homework. **Learn for the fun of it! That's what GK is about.**

Google search, use Wikipedia or other modes to learn more about the topics covered. Discuss answers with your friends and more importantly, discuss all covered topics and chapters in greater detail. And then, once you are done with all of these things, access this answer key! *For students of younger grades (Grades 1 to 3), parents must help and be a part of this process.*

It is for this reason that the answer key has not been provided at the back of the GK book. **We also want you to access all resources on the online portal such as the Weekly Current Affairs Quizzes and Extra Questions (per chapter).** Only when you do this, will you be fully utilizing the book and ensuring that it not only helps you enhance your GK but also your current affairs knowledge.

That said, I hope the answers in this answer key provide you with a gateway to *global jigyasa!*

Stay updated! Stay enlightened!

Regards,
Anansh Prasad
Author – Empowering GK with Global Jigyasa
Founder and MD – SkillSphere Education

*One day our nation is sure to fly. With these wings which at present dormant lie.
And whether anyone else is there or not, we shall be there to see it off.....*

- Anansh Prasad

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FIGHTING FAKE NEWS

Do you wake up each morning with a stream of 'Good Morning' messages and forwards on your Whatsapp groups?

A lot of us do! Once, during the peak of Covid19 in 2020, I woke up to a forwarded message which said 'Covid19 cured with ayurvedic shampoo'. For a second, I believed it until I saw the news source and realised that this was **fake news**.

However, a lot of us don't spend time examining whether a news piece is real or fake. We are quick to believe and even quicker to forward it! This often leads to grave consequences for others. Such **fake news forwards on Whatsapp, Facebook** and other social media platforms aren't uncommon - crores of forwards and shares everyday. **Memes, edited videos, news articles, unverified ads, reels etc.**

Fake news is the spread of misinformation through word of mouth, traditional media sources (like news channels) and social media. While it's been around for centuries, with the growth of social media, it is much easier to spread. You can reach 1000+ people in 5 minutes! And those who want fake news to spread know this. They use it to incite religious hatred, defame people, spread political propaganda, and to wrongly sell products. Fake news has led to mob violence in places like Muzaffarnagar, India and also to the killings of innocent people.



How do we fight it?

**By questioning every news piece we read or hear.
Follow these steps:**

1. **Think critically:** Ask yourself why the news piece is being shared
2. **Check the news source:** Is it a trusted organisation or just a random website?
Many fake news sources have weird internet addresses like '.netnews' or '.newsfeeds'
3. **Double check:** See if trusted news sources are sharing the same news piece, and if they are reporting it differently
4. **Use technology:** If an image or meme you see looks fake, you can use Google Reverse Image search to check its source
5. **Never forward anything until you are sure!**
In today's times, all of us want to have and share our opinion – especially on social media. Make sure it is an educated opinion! **Let's fight fake news together!**



Study each of the news pieces provided below and identify them as 'most likely real' or 'most likely fake'.

Check on the internet for similar news to verify it as well. If you identify them as fake, provide a reason in the blank provided such as unverified news source, manipulated image, questionable wording and news etc.



Madagascar invents 'Miracle Cure' ending Covid19 pandemic
(Source: news madagazi)

Most Likely Real / Most Likely Fake

If fake then why?

Questionable news source, questionable wording and news



Aug '22: President Droupadi Murmu delivers her maiden Independence Day speech
(Source: Hindustan times)

Most Likely Real / Most Likely Fake

If fake then why?



An 'extremely credible source' has called my office & told me that Barack Obama's birth certificate is a fraud. (Source: Tweet by former US President Donald Trump)

Most Likely Real / Most Likely Fake

If fake then why?

QUESTIONABLE WORDINGS



Man faked being deaf & dumb for 62 years to avoid listening to his wife.
(Source: Facebook Share)

Most Likely Real / Most Likely Fake

If fake then why?

UNVERIFIED NEWS SOURCE



US prints \$100 bills with photo of Dr. Ambedkar (Source: Ram Afzal Chadda)

Most Likely Real / Most Likely Fake

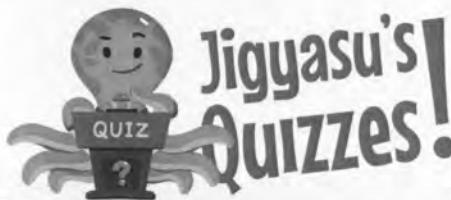
If fake then why?

QUESTIONABLE AND UNVERIFIED NEWS SOURCE



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While traditional jobs like architecture and engineering are here to stay, many emerging professions are becoming popular thanks to technological advancements.



Unjumble the names of emerging professions provided below each image and match the correct numbered statements with them. One example is given.



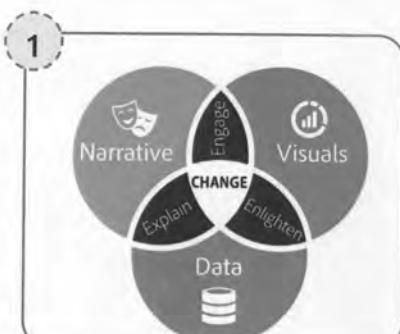
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DATA SCIENCE



MGEA NIĞDSEGİN

GAME DESIGNING



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DIGITAL MARKETING



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ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

1. A field of work in which data is analysed and insights are extracted from it
2. Advertising and promoting brands & products online via smartphones, laptops etc.
3. Protection of systems connected by the internet such as hardware, software & data
4. The process of making computer systems simulate human intelligence for different applications
5. The art of conceptualising and creating interactive activities for entertainment, education and other purposes
6. A branch of healthcare that specialises in the treatment of athletes



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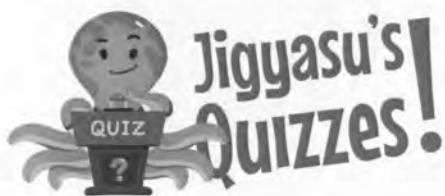
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WOMEN EMPOWERMENT



A society cannot succeed unless it's women progress
 Crimes against women with urgency we must address
 Safety and security cannot be ensured only by laws
 As some people's outlook towards women is the real cause
 Increasing literacy of women is absolutely crucial
 For India to become a nation developed and special
 In spite of obstacles, Indian women are shining everywhere
 They're always there for us. Now for them, we must be there!

- Anansh Prasad



Answer the following questions that share concerning statistics related to women in India. You will need to use a little bit of maths!

- According to the National Crime Record Bureau (India) data, the number of reported crimes against women in India rose from 2,28,650 incidents in 2011 to 4,28,278 incidents in 2021! This is highly concerning as this is approximately an X% increase. **What is X?**

$$X = 9^2 + 6$$

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- While recent National Family Health Survey (NFHS) results suggest that India's sex ratio is improving, according to 2011 census data, there were 943 females for every 1000 males in India. The worst ratio was found in the state of Haryana where there were T females for every 1000 males in 2011. **What is T?** $T = 10^3 - 121$

879

- As per the 7th edition of the Deloitte Global's Women in the Boardroom report, only Y% of the Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) of companies in India are women. **What is Y?**

$$Y = \sqrt{16} + 0.7$$

4.7



- According to World Bank data, the number of working women in India (in the organised workforce) fell from 26% in 2010 to 19% in 2020. Post Covid19, due to job losses and other complications, there are only B% working women in India! **What is B?** $3B - 8 = 19$

9

5. Dowry is the money, property or other items that the woman's family is forced to give the man she is marrying. In spite of being banned in India, some people force the woman's family to pay dowry and harass her otherwise. As per the National Crime Records Bureau, there were close to X dowry deaths reported in India in 2020. **What is X?** $X \div 500 = 14$

7000



6. According to results seen in the National Sample Survey (NSS) conducted between July 2017 and June 2018, the literacy rate of men in India is 84.7% while that of women is only F%. **What is F?** $F - 0.3 = (14 \times 5)$

70.3

7. As per the National Crime Records Bureau, a crime against a woman in India is committed every A minutes. This is an astonishing fact and all of us must work towards addressing this. **What is A?** $6A \times 12 = 216$

3

8. Even in most Indian sports, men and women do not get the same salaries. Let's look at cricket for example. As per the BCCI central contracts data for 2021-22, the best Indian male cricketers get paid Rs. 7 crores per year while the best women's cricketers get paid only 1/14th of this per year. **How much do they get paid?**

50,00,000



Considering all the concerning facts that we have learnt about in the section above, what steps do you think we can take at a family level, society level and government level for women's safety and empowerment?

Family Level

Society Level

Government Level



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Draw whatever comes to your mind when you think about the word - Corruption.

Just express yourself through art in the section provided below - quality of drawing does not matter.

Corruption is a word with a very broad definition. All dishonest and immoral activities are considered as corruption.

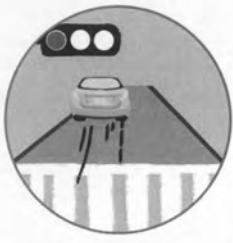
Let's conduct a personal quiz! Click your fingers if you have done or seen any of these:



Cheated in an examination/test/ while writing an assignment



Used unfair means to win a game you played with friends/ family



Seen people getting caught for breaking a red light and getting away by paying off cops



Favoured your friend over another person who is actually better at something

You'll probably click your fingers at least once! Look around you. Corruption is unfortunately everywhere!



Corrupt people in positions of authority (some politicians, businessmen etc) also are doing similar things - just at a much larger scale. They also abuse their power for their own personal gains.

Tackling corruption in India is going to require changes at all levels - personal, societal and national.

Jigyasu's Quizzes!

Provided below are real life examples of different forms of corruption. In the boxes provided, mark them in the most appropriate statements where they apply. One example is given.



Bribery



Kickbacks



Electoral Fraud



Money Laundering



Favouritism

1. Mr. Vijay Mallya, former owner of Kingfisher Airlines, is absconding from India. He is accused of taking loans of more than Rs. 9000/- crores from banks! He hasn't returned them and has allegedly hidden some of this money in foreign banks.

4

2. Abdul Karim Telgi was one of the key people involved in a fake stamp paper scam worth over Rs. 10000/- crores! He is accused of selling fake stamp paper and for paying off police people so that they didn't investigate him for this scam.

1

3. During the 1957 Indian general elections, there was a case of booth capturing in Rachiya village, Bihar. One of the candidates sent his goons to an election centre who forced people to vote for him.

3

4. There are many cases in India of politicians granting very profitable contracts to their own relatives or close friends in spite of better options being available for these contracts

5

5. Numerous companies in India are known to get contracts for different orders by giving some of the officials in the government/other company some money out of what they earn.

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In your opinion, is corruption just a natural tendency for most human beings? If yes, then how do we fight it?



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OUR ROAD TO FREEDOM



The poem below gives you a brief glimpse into India's glorious freedom struggle from 1747 to independence.

Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box. One example is given.

Buxar 1857 Azad Hind Fauj Partition of Bengal Raja Ram Mohan Roy Cotton

Daylight's Woke 1870 Champaran 1945 Mahatma Gandhi 1947 Dandi

Partition of Delhi Prithviraj Chauhan **Midnight's Stroke** Sukhdeo **Simon-Saunders-Scott**

Indigo **Tipu Sultan** Rajguru Indian National Congress Ashfaqullah Khan Lal-Bal-Pal

Mangal Pandey **Ram Prasad Bismil** Subhash Chandra Bose



With the Battle of Plassey, the British began
Their road to colonialism in our golden land
It was 1757 when Siraj Ud-Daulah suffered defeat
East India Co. took control of the Bengal Nawab's seat

From 1757 to 1856, other kingdoms suffered a similar fate
The Company became more powerful and began to dictate
Expansionist policies and laws which often made little sense
The Sikhs, Marathas, TIPOU SULTAN of Mysore lost after wars
intense.



In 1857, the country united against the common foe
Rani Laxmibai and others became a part of folklore
For their valiant efforts to end the Company's rule
While unsuccessful, unity among Indians they did fuel

Through the Viceroy of India, the British Crown took control
Exploiting India's resources at all costs became the goal
Growing the blue dye INDIGO forced farmers into debt
Tribes lost their centuries old life as forests were swept



Traditional industries like weaving and iron declined
Age old schooling systems were shut down & redefined
For India's independence struggle to quickly progress
In 1885, freedom fighters set up the INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

Beyond the 'moderate' Congress, social reformers emerged
RAJA RAM MOHAN ROY ended sati and our society purged

Three famous radical freedom fighters were LAL BAL PAL
 Lord Curzon (1905) incensed all Indians with the
PARTITION OF BENGAL



Entered MAHATMA GANDHI in 1915, and satyagrahas began
 In 1917, CHAMPARAN was the first of many other planned
 Quit India, Non Cooperation and many movements he led
 His spirit of nonviolent protests across the world spread

Chandrashekhar Azad and radicalists followed another route
 They inspired India's youth and furthered freedom's pursuit
 Bhagat Singh, SUKHDEV & RAJGURU sacrificed their lives (23rd
 March, 1931)

Others did so too accelerating the British rule's demise



Sarojini Naidu, 'Frontier Gandhi', Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
 And 1000s of other participated in India's freedom trail
 'Dilli Challo' said the legendary SUBHASH CHANDRA BOSE
 To long awaited freedom, Indians were getting close

Finally in 1947, after 150+ years, Indians awoke
 Into a land of freedom at the famous 'MIDNIGHT STROKE'
 For independence, lakhs gave the ultimate sacrifice
 Make India proud! Your freedom has come at a price!



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Committing a crime is a bad thing, isn't it? What if I told you that you have committed a crime by being born into a particular community? How would you feel? Also, how would you correct such a crime?

Some of you might think that these are nonsensical questions! Unfortunately, this was a real situation for lakhs of people during British rule. Under the **Criminal Tribes Act of 1871**, 100s of Indian tribes were designated as 'criminal tribes'.

Many of these tribes had simple lives in forests. It is believed that the British wanted to clear out forests for building roads and buildings. When tribes revolted and also participated in the freedom struggle, they were categorised as 'criminal tribes'. Completely denied basic human rights, they were often arrested for crimes they didn't commit.



Post independence, the Criminal Tribes Act was removed in 1949. Hence these tribes are referred to as 'de-notified tribes'. However in 1959, they were reclassified under Indian law as 'habitual offenders' or those who repeatedly commit crimes. Due to this, whenever most crimes are committed, they are automatically the first suspects.



Over the years, the Indian government has taken steps to help these tribes such as giving them reservations and working towards changing their legal status. However, their condition is still very poor. They suffer from illiteracy, no proper housing and representation in society. Their children don't receive education, and society mistreats them by making them work for very little pay. Many are forced into theft and robbery as they have no source of making money.

We as a society need to take serious efforts to help these tribes and empower them. We must respect and assist them, while also stopping others from discriminating against them. Only then will they become 'equal citizens' like us!



Answer the following related to the passage.

1. Frame a question for which the answer is 'Criminal Tribes of India'

100S OF TRIBAL COMMUNITIES THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE FREEDOM STRUGGLE AGAINST THE BRITISH EMPIRE CAME TO BE KNOWN AS ?

2. Reservations in India are provided to people who fall under which of these categories? (more than one answer may be correct)

- a. Scheduled Castes b. Scheduled Tribes
 c. Other Backward Classes d. General Category

3. In which of these places can a person apply for a job under reserved quota as a member of a Scheduled Tribe?

- a. Government bank job b. Job at the British embassy
 c. Place in the Indian cricket team d. Prime Minister of India

4. What is another word for 'habitual'? (More than one can be correct)

- a. Repeated b. Seldom c. Frequent d. Criminal

5. Which of these is a specific tribe's language that is one of India's official languages?

- a. Haitian b. Santhali c. Swahili d. Rwandanese

6. What are all members of the OBC community in India also called?

- a. Gonds b. Bhils c. Dalits d. Dravids

7. What are some steps that can be taken by us as a society to uplift the situation of tribal people in India?

- CHANGING THEIR LEGAL STATUS
- GIVING THEM RESERVATIONS
- PROVIDING THEM WITH EDUCATION AND PROPER HOUSING
- AS CITIZENS WE MUST CAMPAIGN FOR THEM AND NOT EXPLOIT THEM WHILE EMPLOYING THEM



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CH 7 TRADITIONAL INDIAN DRESSES



India is a beautiful mix of different cultures. Among other things, each state has its own traditional dresses. Provided below are images of some of these.

Fill in the blanks with the names of the states (in the provided box) to which these traditional dresses belong. Use the monument hints below each image to identify the states.

Karnataka

Kerala

Nagaland

Punjab

Himachal Pradesh

Gujarat

Manipur

Maharashtra

Assam



Assam

Mekhela Chador
(Kaziranga
National Park)



GUJARAT

Chaniya Choli
(Laxmi Vilas Palace)



HIMACHAL P.

Rahide Headscarf
(Kangra Fort)



KARNATAKA

Panche
(Gol Gumbaz)



MAHARASHTRA

Nauvari / Lugda
(Gateway of India)



MANIPUR

Phanek
(INA Memorial,
Moirang)



PUNJAB

Patiala Suit
(Jallianwala
Bagh)



KERALA

Mundum Neriyathum
(Sree Padmanabhaswamy
Temple)



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CH 8

UNIQUE INDIAN FESTIVALS



Beyond the nationally popular festivals, every section of India has its own unique ones too! Using their numbers, match the statements with the images they are speaking about.

Hint: The number below each image is the cube of the number next to the statement related to it. Use this to your advantage!



Lathmar Holi (343)



Bhagoria Festival (729)



Theyyam (1331)



4

Pawl Kut (64)



10

Sume Gilerak (1000)



12

Qila Raipur (1728)

Post-harvest festival of Mizoram to thank the Almighty for a good harvest.

Chawngnawt is a famous ritual in this festival involving eating meat and eggs (4)

Tribal dance from Kerala to worship heroes and spirits of ancestors. It involves heavy make-up like the state dance Kathakali (11)

Also known as Rural Olympics, this festival from Punjab is famous for its peculiar sports like cart racing and rope pulling (12)

A 10-day regional, tribal festival in Odisha that teaches the importance of love and friendship. (10)

Unique tribal festival in Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh. People travel to festival grounds in decorated bullock carts, dance and sing folk songs called 'Lokgeet'! (9)

A grand celebration of Holi in Barsana and Nandgaon, UP. Locals recreate a historic event in which Lord Krishna was playfully greeted with sticks by Radha and her friends (7)



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CH 9

3 BRANCHES OF OUR GOVERNMENT

Jigyasu's
Quizzes!

This big tree called the Indian government can only function well courtesy its 3 branches - the Executive, Legislature and Judiciary. Our founding fathers put a lot of thought into our Constitution and balancing powers among all 3 branches.

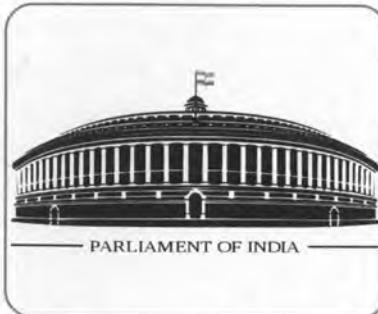
Answer the following True or False questions related to these 3 branches and learn along. One example is given.

TRUE FALSE

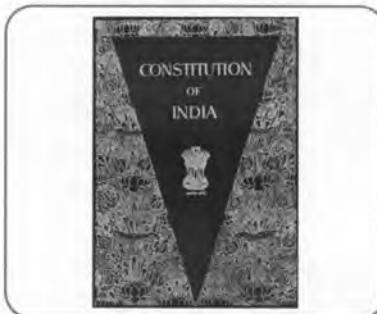
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|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. For not admitting a child into a school because he belongs to a Scheduled Caste, a school can be taken to court. Article 15 of the Indian Constitution forbids this. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. When Shri. Narendra Modi became Prime Minister of India in 2014, he served as the Chief Minister of Gujarat and Prime Minister of India at the same time for 2 years. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. In spite of heavy advocacy across India to end manual scavenging, it continues to take place as it isn't banned in India. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. On 27th August 2022, Justice UU Lalit took oath as the 49th Chief Justice of India. He was appointed by the Prime Minister of India. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Article 17 of the Indian Constitution forbids all forms of untouchability. However, it is still practised in some parts of India illegally. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Shri. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar is the Minister for External Affairs in the Indian government as of September 2022. He is also a member of Parliament. Since people did not directly vote for him, he is probably a member of the Lok Sabha. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. The state government of Nagaland has no direct power to decide the relations we maintain as India with the country of Myanmar even though they share a border. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. India's Constitution is the second longest written one in the world. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |



Supreme Court of India



Parliment of India



Constitution of India



The Prime Minister along with the Union Council of Ministers is responsible for exercising administrative authority in the nation.

Fill in the blanks in the following statements related to different Indian government ministries. Also find their names in the word grid provided below. One example is given. Also, find out the names of the Cabinet Ministers for each ministry via the Internet.



1. The Indian Army needs new weapons to combat Chinese forces along the LAC border. The Ministry of Defense is responsible for this



2. India is looking at building new national highways to connect all parts of South India. The Ministry of ROAD Transport and Highways is responsible.



3. More steps need to be taken for the upliftment of Santhal, Khasi, Bhutia and other ST groups in India. The Ministry of TRIBAL Affairs is directly responsible.



4. India wants to connect smaller cities by flight to improve mobility and transport. The Ministry of Civil AVIATION is responsible for ensuring this.



5. Through the period of Covid19 the Ministry of HEALTH and Family Welfare ensured vaccinations were safe and easily available.



6. Post Covid19, people must start coming back to India to see beautiful monuments like the Taj Mahal. The Ministry of TOURISM will play a big role in this.



7. Every year, the country's budget is introduced by the Ministry of FINANCE which determines India's expenditure in different areas.

Y	E	J	P	D	H	W	L	B	C	I	I	W	O	R	B	A	B
E	B	T	L	G	E	P	W	Z	W	T	W	Q	I	Q	Y	M	R
O	T	R	L	T	A	F	S	D	I	I	I	K	H	Q	Y	E	R
R	B	F	H	O	L	P	E	M	D	I	T	O	M	P	R	Q	I
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N	P	B	Y	L	V	U	B	K	T	F	U	K	L	G	J	M	S
Y	V	C	C	V	J	W	A	Q	D	Y	O	N	L	Q	Z	B	B



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The Prime Minister and Cabinet Ministers head India's executive branch. A very important part of the Indian government's executive branch is the bureaucracy. It plays a key role in running the Indian government's functions in many ways.

The Union Public Service Commission is India's premier central recruitment agency for recruitment of 'Grade A' officers under the Indian Government. Selected officers become a part of the Indian Government's different 'Services'. E.g. The Indian Police Service (IPS)

Answer the following questions and learn more about them. One example is given.

- Officers of the Indian Administrative Service are responsible for ensuring the implementation of government schemes and policies. They help with day to day running of the government. (Administrative/Police/Forest)
- Members of the Indian FOREIGN Service work under the Ministry of External Affairs and regularly represent India's viewpoints at the United Nations. (Revenue/Administrative/Foreign)
- The Indian REVENUE Service has two separate branches - one responsible for collection of income tax, and the other for custom and indirect taxes in India (Civil Accounts/Revenue/Corporate Law)
- The Indian FOREST Service is responsible for the implementation of India's National FOREST Policy for ensuring the ecological stability of India through the protection and participatory sustainable management of natural resources. (Ordnance Factories/Information/Forest)
- Officers of the Indian POSTAL Service look after the administration of India's POSTAL systems including the mail offices, vast mailing network and customer grievances. (Postal/Trade/Railway Traffic)



The UPSC exam is considered one of the world's toughest. 8-10 lakh candidates appear each year with only around 1000 getting selected for different posts!



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CH 11

GREAT REVOLUTIONARIES



They say power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. There are many examples across the world in which political leaders have misused their power for their own benefits - exploiting people, committing crimes against them and indulging in corruption.

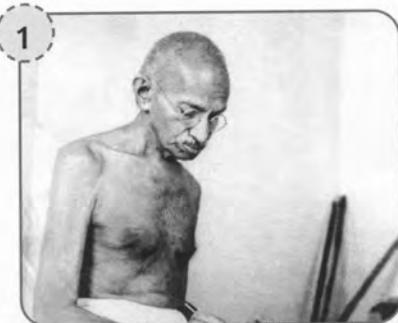
Revolutionaries have come to the rescue of people by motivating them to fight for their rights against their unjust rulers. This chapter is about those great people.

Match the numbered statements with the images of the revolutionaries they are describing. One example is given.

1. **This simple man was instrumental in getting India** **its independence from the British** through his satyagrahas and other non-violent revolutions. He is the symbol for peaceful protests globally. Our nation's father.
2. **This historic revolutionary was born in Argentina** **. He devoted his entire life to uplifting those who were being oppressed and exploited by greedy leaders.** He was instrumental in the Cuban revolution, and also tried to help revolutions in Congo and Bolivia. His face is commonly seen on t-shirts today.
3. **This lady leader from Myanmar** **has been recognised for her efforts to protect democracy in her country.** In spite of the huge power that the Myanmar Armed Forces (Tatmadaw) have, she has continued to protest against their unjust rule for most of her life.
4. **Referred to as the 'Apostle of Democracy' in Mexico** **, he is known for deposing the corrupt Mexican leader Porfirio Diaz in 1911 through a revolution he led.** His first and last name end with the same letter as the first letter in the capital of Canada .
5. **Popularly known as 'El Libertador' or 'The Liberator of America', he was a Venezuelan military and political leader.** Between 1819 and 1825, he led revolutionary forces which ended Spanish rule in many South American countries - including Peru , Colombia , Panama , Ecuador , Venezuela and Bolivia (named after him)
6. **Popularly called 'Madiba', this South African man fought against the apartheid in South Africa** **. Apartheid was a policy of discriminating against black people, Indians and other communities in Africa.** He spent 27 years in jail before becoming South Africa's first black President in 1994.



In your opinion, what does it take for people like these revolutionaries to gather the will and courage to fight against strong oppressive leaders?



Mahatma Gandhi



Simon Bolivar



Nelson Mandela



Francisco Madero



Aung San Suu Kyi



Ernesto 'Che' Guevara

**Art Integrated Activity**

Imagine it's 12:00 midnight on 15th August, 1947 when India achieved independence. If you were a youngster in a small village in Punjab who had been oppressed for decades, how would you celebrate? Draw whatever you're thinking - quality of this art doesn't matter!



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CH 12

WOMEN OF SUBSTANCE



Jigyasu's Quizzes!

Women of substance have redefined the way we perceive life in more ways than one. In each of these questions, there is a set of 3 images of women who have excelled in a particular field - art, politics, science etc. Read about their work via the Internet beyond this chapter!

Identify the common link among the women in each image set. One example is given.

Fashion Designers

Prime Ministers

Painters

Astronauts

Scientists

Mountaineers

Sportspersons

Activists

Authors

Painters



Frida Kahlo



Amrita Sher-Gil



Helen Frankenthaler

1

Painters



Rosa Parks



Malala Yousafzai



Susan B Anthony

2

ACTIVISTS



Marie Curie



Rosalind Franklin



Asima Chatterjee

3

SCIENTISTS



Louisa May Alcott



Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni



Agatha Christie

4

AUTHORS

Sirimavo Bandaranaike



Indira Gandhi



Jacinda Ardern

5

PRIME MINISTERS

Valentina Tereshkova



Kalpana Chawla



Sunita Williams

6

ASTRONAUTS

Arunima Sinha



Bachendri Pal



Junko Tabei

7

MOUNTAINEERS

Serena Williams



MC Mary Kom



Simone Biles

8

SPORTSPERSONS

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CH 13

INDIAN BUSINESS PEOPLE



Being the world's 5th largest economy (as of September 2022), India has many famous business people across fields.

Mark the correct businessperson in each set.
One example is given.

1. The founder of Infosys



Ratan Tata



Mukesh Ambani



Narayan Murthy

2. The founder and CEO of Biocon



Falguni Nayar



Indra Nooyi



Kiran Mazumdar Shaw

3. Founder of the world's largest vaccine maker - Serum Institute of India



Kumar Mangalam Birla



Shiu Nadar



Cyrus Poonawalla

4. Founder Chairman of Wipro



Uday Kotak



Azim Premji



Anil Ambani

5. Founder and Chairman of Airtel



Sunil Bharti Mittal



Ritesh Aggarwal



Anand Mahindra



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Jigyasu's Quizzes!

Solve the following crossword to learn more about the smallest or longest things in the world in their respective categories!

Across



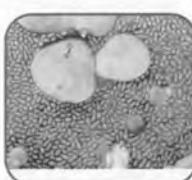
2. Though it is located inside **ROME**, the capital of Italy, the Vatican City is a country in itself - the smallest one in the world. It has a population of just 800 people (maybe less than your school!) and is only 0.44 sq km - that's very small!



5. As of September 2022, the **world's longest non-stop flight** travels a distance of 9537 miles between Singapore, the 'Lion City' and a city in the USA called the 'Big Apple'. The actual name of this US city is **NEW YORK**.



6. **Queen Elizabeth II is the longest reigning lady monarch in the world.** She ruled for over 70 years before passing away in September 2022. **The capital of Great Britain is LONDON**



7. Wolffia Globosa or Duckweeds, is the world's smallest flowering plant. It produces the world's smallest edible fruit called the **ASIAN Watermeal**. It's the size of a grain of table salt! India is an **ASIAN** nation based on the continent in which it is located.



8. As of 2022, the Guinness Book of World Records states that **the world's longest officially released song is 108 hr 53 min and 29 seconds long!** Called 'Secret Sounds of Sacred Sanskrit', it was released by Prana Kishore Bommireddipalli. **India's national song is written in a language called BENGALI**.

Down



1. Spanning almost 48000 km, **the Pan American highway which connects North and South America, is the world's longest road.** In South America, it ends in a country called **A R G E N T I N A** (Hint: Lionel Messi, Buenos Aires)



3. With an amazing length of 164.8 kms, **the Danyang-Kunshan Grand Bridge is the world's longest bridge!** It's a part of the Beijing-Shanghai High Speed Railway, and **is located in the country of C H I N A** (Hint: See the names of the 2 cities!)



4. **The stapes is the smallest bone in the human body.** It is a part of our middle **E A R**. The **E A R** helps in maintaining balance and processes sound waves in our body.



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2	R	O	M	E
	G			
	E			



5	N	E	W	Y	O	R	K
	T						

4	E
	A



7	A	S	I	A	N
				N	

8	B	E	N	G	A	L	I
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CH 15 INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS



Fill in the blanks with the names of these important international organisations mentioned in the box!
One example is given.

World Health Organisation (WHO)

International Red Cross (IRC)

United Nations Educational Scientific & Cultural Organisation (UNESCO)

United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO)

United Nations Human Rights Commission (UNHRC)



1. Played an important role during Covid-19 by making vaccines available globally. Tedros Adhanom is the Director General of this organisation as of September 2022.

WHO



2. When you visit monuments like the Taj Mahal, you will see UNESCO World Heritage Site written there. UNESCO aims to promote international cooperation through arts, science and culture.



3. You will find the RED CROSS working to provide humanitarian aid in regions where there are a lot of victims of armed conflict like Ukraine.



4. It is estimated that close to 25.8 crore children across the world are not going to school! UNICEF tries to ensure that they are provided education, healthcare and sanitation globally.



5. Somalia has been facing a drought which has led to severe food shortage. This organisation works across the world to solve the problem of hunger.

FAO



6. Millions of people across the world are displaced every year due to armed conflict or natural disasters. This organisation tries to ensure basic human rights for such people.

UNHRC

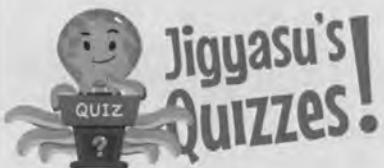


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CH 16

UPRISINGS ACROSS THE WORLD



Unfortunately, world history is full of examples of cruel rulers, dictators and leaders who have exploited and oppressed people. Fortunately though, in most cases, people have risen up and overthrown such individuals to gain back their birthright - freedom!

Answer the following questions related to popular uprisings across the world, and learn along! More than one answer might be correct. One example is given.

- 1. The French Revolution has inspired many revolutions across the world. The fundamentals of liberal democracy can be credited to it. Lasting between 1789 and 1799, it led to the establishment of the French consulate and execution of King Louis XVI. Which of these is not located in France?**

- a. Louvre Museum b. Colosseum c. Eiffel Tower d. Buckingham Palace



- 2. The Russian Revolution of 1917 is another very famous one - also called the October Revolution. Led by Vladimir Lenin, the Bolshevik party overthrew the Duma's provisional government and abolished the monarchy (the Tsars), leading to the formation of the USSR (now Russia) Which of these isn't directly related to Russia?**

- a. Saint Petersburg b. Sydney c. Moscow d. Prague



- 3. The Jasmine Revolution of 2011 took place in Tunisia. In the popular uprising, people protested against poverty, corruption and the misuse of power by the then President Zine El Abidine Ben Ali. He was forced to step down in 2011. Which of these are not African rivers?**

- a. Nile River b. Congo River c. Amazon River d. Mississippi River



- 4. The Tunisian Revolution led to a series of uprisings in different countries across the Arab world in the Middle East and North Africa. Referred to as the 'Arab Spring', the uprisings were at their peak between 2010 and 2012. Which of these countries is not considered a part of the Arab world?**

- a. Egypt b. Latvia c. Saudi Arabia d. Argentina



5. The Tulip Revolution which is also called the First Kyrgyz Revolution took place in the nation of Kyrgyzstan between February and March 2005. It led to the fall of former Kyrgyz President Askar Akayev who was accused of widespread corruption and misuse of authority. Which of these nations most likely neighbours Kyrgyzstan?

- a. Kazakhstan b. Bangladesh c. Tajikistan d. Sri Lanka



6. After 30 years in power, former Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir was finally overthrown in 2019. He is guilty of corruption, crimes against humanity and human rights violations. The Sudanese Revolution was one among many considered a part of the 'Second Arab Spring'. Which of these mountains is located in Africa?

- a. Kilimanjaro b. Meru c. Kenya d. Vesuvius



7. The Orange Revolution refers to a series of protests that took place in Ukraine between November 2004 and January 2005. These were in response to results of rigged and unfair elections. The protests led to a re-election in which the correct candidate won. Which of these is not a currency of a European country?

- a. Franc b. Pound Sterling c. Euro d. Yen



8. The Cedar Revolution or 'Independence Uprising' took place in Lebanon in 2005. A very peaceful protest, it was sparked by the assassination of former Lebanese Prime Minister Rafik Hariri, and the excessive influence and presence of Syrian forces in Lebanon. It was successful in meeting its objectives. Which of these are nations that neighbour Lebanon?

- a. Belgium b. Syria c. Israel d. Mongolia



9. The Xinhai Revolution which is also called the Revolution of 1911, took place in China. It led to the overthrowing of China's last imperial rulers - the Qing dynasty. This revolution was instrumental in the set up of what we know as modern day China and Taiwan. Which of these are Chinese landmarks and monuments?

- a. Terracotta Warriors b. Tokyo Skytree c. Gol Gumbaz d. The Great Wall of China



10. Also known as the 'Ten Years of Spring', the Guatemalan Revolution took place between 1944 and 1954. A military coup led by Jacobo Árbenz overthrew the corrupt and highly unpopular dictator Jorge Ubico in 1944. In 1954 though, democratically elected Jacobo Árbenz was removed from power by a US orchestrated coup. Which of these are South American cities?

- a. Buenos Aires b. Mexico City c. Guatemala City d. Brasilia



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CH 17 TALLEST STRUCTURES IN THE WORLD



Can you match the numbered statements with the images of the tallest man-made structures in the world they are related to? One example is given.

2



Burj Khalifa

6



Gevora

4



Merdeka 118

3



Abraj Al Bait

5



Shanghai Tower

1



Antilia

1. Tallest private residence in the world - owned by Mukesh Ambani and in Mumbai
2. Situated in the UAE, this is the tallest building in the world with a height of 828 metres
3. World's tallest clock tower - facing the holy site of Kaaba in Saudi Arabia
4. World's 2nd tallest building - in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Name includes number of floors it has!
5. Having 128 floors, this building is the tallest in China and the third-tallest in the world
6. Also situated in the UAE, this is the tallest hotel in the world



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CH 18 EXOTIC FOODS OF THE WORLD



Each part of the world has famous and exotic foods that are popular across the globe.

Brazil

Mexico

Egypt

Colombia

Canada

Hungary

Afghanistan

Lebanon

Spain



Kabuli Pulao



Afghanistan



Feijoada



BRAZIL



Goulash



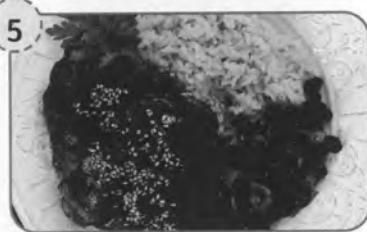
HUNGARY



Kibbeh



LEBANON



Mole Poblano



MEXICO



Paella



SPAIN



Kushari



EGYPT



Bandeja Paisa



COLOMBIA



Poutine



CANADA



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CH 19

HYBRID & CLONED ANIMALS

Cloned animals are created as a result of a complex process in which the genetic and inherited traits of another animal (donor) are exactly copied through scientific processes.

Hybrid animals are those that are a result of cross-breeding between two different species
Using the names in the boxes and the hints, identify the different cloned and hybrid animals.

Liger

Tigon

Wholphin

Dolly

Beefalo

Cama

Leopon

Cumulina

Prizzly

Liger

(Male Lion + Female Tiger)

BEEFALO

(Cow + Female Bison)

CUMULINA

(First Cloned Mouse)

WOLPHIN

(Dolphin + Whale)

CAMA

(Llama + Camel)

LEOPON

(Male Leopard + Female Lion)

PRIZZLY

(Grizzly Bear + Polar Bear)

TIGON

(Male Tiger + Female Lion)

DOLLY

(First cloned animal)



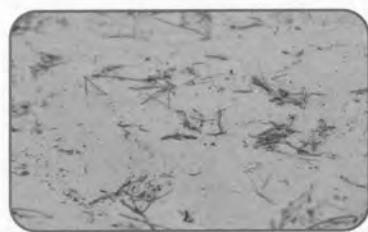
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SCIENTIFIC SORTING



Jigyasu's
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In each set, there are 2/3 images. These images are associated with each other by virtue of belonging to a particular scientific category. Fill in the blank with the correct scientific category the each set of images belong to.

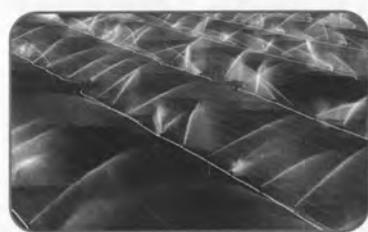


Sandy



Clayey

1. Types of what? S O I L



Sprinkler



Drip

2. Types of what? I R R I G A T I O N



Nylon

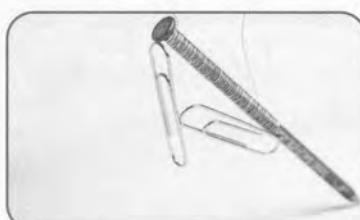


Rayon

3. Types of what? S Y N T H E T I C FIBRES



Electrostatic



Magnetic



Muscular

4. Types of what? F O R C E



Gibbous



Crescent



Full

5. Types of what? Phases of the M O O N



Evergreen



Montane



Deciduous

6. Types of what? F O R E S T S



Sericulture



Horticulture



Pisciculture

7. Types of what? A G R I C U L T U R E



Desert



Grassland



Forest

8. Types of what? V E G E T A T I O N



Solar



Wind



Hydel

9. Types of what? E N E R G Y G E N E R A T I O N M E T H O D S



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Everything happens for a reason. And science typically has a role to play in it! From the box provided below, can you identify the correct scientific reason for each statement?

Electroplating	Greenhouse Effect	Pressure	Puberty	Refraction
Combustion	Gravity	Friction	Reflection	Vibration
Resistance	Voltage	Boiling	Earthing	Force



1. While going for the Apollo 11 space mission, Neil Armstrong weighed 360 pounds. When measured on the moon, he weighed only 60 pounds. Give me one good reason why?

GRAVITY



2. Amit went for skating classes and learnt roller skating. While he skated perfectly on the road, he found it really difficult to do so on ice. Give me one good reason why?

LOW FRICTION



3. You buy a new pencil and see that it is perfectly straight. However, when you put it in water, you see that the pencil is bent. Give me one good reason why?

REFRACTION



4. Kshitij wanted to cut some fruits. He kept trying to chop them with the blunt side of a knife but could not. When he tried with the sharp side, he was able to cut instantly. Give me one good reason why?

PRESSURE



5. Coal is a rock found naturally on Earth. If you bring a flame near it, it starts burning and gives out a lot of heat. Give me one good reason why?

COMBUSTION



6. Around the time boys and girls enter teenage, the Adam's Apple in boys becomes more visible and girls experience menstruation. Give me one good reason why?

PUBERTY



7. We are able to hear different sounds when their frequency hits our eardrum. Give me one good reason why?

VIBRATION



8. Different objects made of iron do not rust when they are covered with another metal. Give me one good reason why?

ELECTROPLATING



9. Anamika was roaming around barefoot and got a shock because she touched a naked wire. However, when she wore rubber slippers, she did not get the shock. Give me one good reason why?

EARTHING



10. Due to the presence of many gases in the atmosphere, a lot of the heat from the Sun gets trapped on Earth and makes it warmer. Give me one good reason why?

GREENHOUSE EFFECT

Scientific phenomena are happening all around us all the time! Can you look around wherever you are and identify 5 scientific phenomena taking place?



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SPACE MISSIONS



Jigyasu's! Quizzes!

Identify the common link among the space missions in each image set. One example is given.

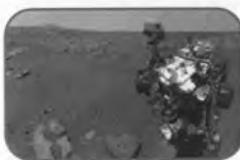
Lunar Missions

Satellites

Civilian Space Missions

Manned Missions

Mars Missions



Perseverance Rover



Mangalyaan



Tianwen 1



Chandrayaan



Apollo 11



Selene/Kaguya



Explorer 1



Sputnik 1



Aryabhatta



Shenzhou 5



Vostok 1



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New Shepard



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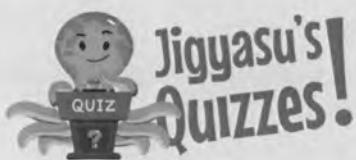
MANNED MISSIONS

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CIVILIAN SPACE
MISSIONS



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Sometimes, nature shows its fury causing major disasters across the world. We have to work towards protecting the environment to avoid them.

Provided below are images of different natural disasters with descriptions. Using these, identify the country/continent (from the box provided) which were affected by them.

Pakistan

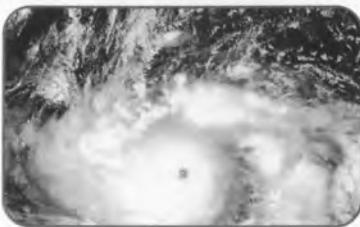
USA

Oceania

Asia

Afghanistan

Europe

**ASIA****Typhoon Hinnamor (2022)**

(Affected many countries in a continent along the western shore of Pacific Ocean)

**EUROPE****Spanish Heatwave & Drought (2022)**

(Worst drought in the continent through which the Thames River flows)

**PAKISTAN****Sindh Floods (2022)**

(3 crore people in this country affected by floods in the Indus river)

**USA****California Wildfires (2021)**

(Wildfires in the country where the Silicon Valley is located)

**OCEANIA****Tonga Volcanic Eruption (2022)**

(Huge eruption that occurred in Tonga- an island in the same region as Australia)

**AFGHANISTAN****Khost Earthquake (2022)**

(Occured in a country ruled by the Taliban, killing 1,100 people)



Such natural disasters and calamities are becoming more frequent with climate change and global warming. What can we do at our own level to avoid these?

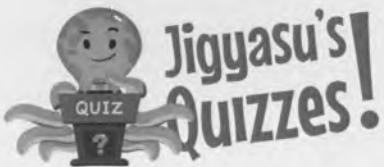


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FAMOUS POEMS



Jigyasu's! Quizzes!

Poems inspire all of us! Can you match the parts of these 6 famous poems (via their number) with the image of their poets? Use the hints provided next to the songs. One example is given.

1. "If you can fill the unforgiving minute,
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!"

- If (Hint - Jungle Book)

5



Dylan Thomas

2. "It matters not how strait the gate,
How charged with punishments the scroll,
I am the master of my fate,
I am the captain of my soul."

- Invictus (Hint - First name same as that of the greatest English playwright)

2



William Ernest Henley

3. "Where the mind is led forward by thee..
Into ever widening thought and action..
In to that heaven of freedom, My Father,
Let my country awake!"

- Where The Mind Is Without Fear

(Hint - Asia's first Nobel Prize winner)

1



Rudyard Kipling

5. "Do not go gentle into that good night,
Old age should burn and rave at close of day;
Rage, rage against the dying of the light."

- Do Not Go Gentle Into That Good Night

(Hint - Last name same as first name of the light bulb's inventor)

4



Maya Angelou

6. "The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep,
And miles to go before I sleep..
And miles to go before I sleep!"

- Stopping By The Woods On A Snowy Evening

(Hint - Related to ice)



Rabindranath Tagore

4. "Leaving behind nights of terror and fear, I rise..
Into a daybreak that's wondrously clear, I rise..
Bringing the gifts that my ancestors gave..
I am the dream and the hope of the slave..
I rise! I rise! I rise!"

- Still I Rise

(Hint - Famous American anti-racism activist)



Robert Frost



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All of us have seen different digital and print ads with famous brand slogans. Match these famous brands with their brand slogans. One example is given.

BRANDS

raymond

mentos

asianpaints

RED
FM 93.5Surf
excel

TATA | sky

Amul

Thums
Up

SLOGANS

Taste of India

Taste the thunder!

Daag achhe hain!

Isko laga dala to life
jhingalala!Dimaag ki batti
jala de

Bajate Raho

Har ghar kuchh
kehta hai

The Complete Man



Jigyasu's Quizzes!

Some brands have very iconic print ads! Connect the brand names provided in the box to the different images of their print ads!

Kitkat

Flipkart

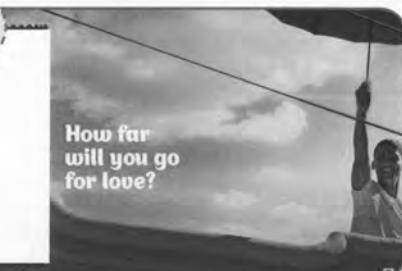
Dairy Milk Silk

Finolex

Amul

Fevicol

1



2



DAIRY MILK SILK

FEVICOL

3 *g*ing the generation ga



4 THE TIMES OF INDIA



AMUL

FLIPKART

5



6

PAUSE ALL MEETINGS



FINOLEX

KITKAT

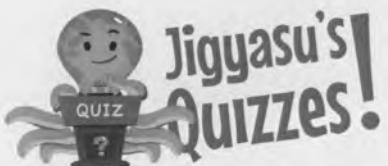


Which laundry detergent company should also set up a water sports company?
Answer: Surf Excel



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Choose the correct option in each of these questions related to global superstars.

1. This superstar played the lead role in the Iron Man series. He also played the lead role in the Sherlock Holmes movies. Can you name this actor?

- a. Robert Downey Jr b. Dwayne Johnson
- c. John Cena d. Ryan Reynolds



2. This British actor is known globally for playing the lead role in the Mr Bean TV series and movies. Can you name him?

- a. Rowan Atkinson b. Tom Hardy
- c. Idris Elba d. Jude Law



3. This British singer shot to fame with his album named 'x' that consisted of popular songs like 'Photograph' and 'Thinking out loud'. Can you name him?

- a. Shawn Mendes b. Ed Sheeran
- c. Harry Styles d. Justin Bieber



4. Popular for her roles in Indian movies like 'The Sky is Pink' and 'Bajirao Mastani', she went on to star in an American TV series named 'Quantico'. Can you name this actress?

- a. Deepika Padukone b. Anushka Chopra
- c. Priyanka Chopra d. Alia Bhatt



5. One of the world's highest-paid actors, this actor is known for playing the lead character 'Ethan Hunt' in the Mission Impossible series. He is known for performing risky stunts in action movies. Can you name him?

- a. Ben Affleck b. Will Smith
- c. Sylvester Stallone d. Tom Cruise



6. Having served as a Combat Fitness Instructor for the Israeli military, this actress made her debut with the Fast and Furious series and went on to play the role of Wonder Woman. Can you name her?

- a. Taylor Swift
- b. Scarlett Johansson
- c. Gal Gadot
- d. Meryl Streep



7. This American film actor shot to fame with an iconic movie named Titanic. He has acted in popular movies like Inception and The Revenant and is also a renowned climate activist. Name him.

- a. Leonardo DiCaprio
- b. Brad Pitt
- c. Matt Damon
- d. Nicolas Cage



8. This actor from Hong Kong is considered one of the greatest global film stars. He is known for performing funny but extremely risky stunts. He also voiced the character of Master Monkey in Kung Fu Panda 2. Can you name him?

- a. Kim Jong-Un
- b. Jackie Chan
- c. Chris Tucker
- d. Bruce Lee



9. James Bond is an iconic character developed by Ian Fleming and portrayed by different actors. This actor has played the role since 2006 and has starred in movies like Casino Royale and No Time To Die. Name him.

- a. Bryan Cranston
- b. Benedict Cumberbatch
- c. Michael Caine
- d. Daniel Craig



10. Having started her acting career at the age of 10, this actress is known globally for portraying the Black Widow in various Marvel movies. Can you name her?

- a. Scarlett Johansson
- b. Anne Hathaway
- c. Angelina Jolie
- d. Halle Berry



Who is your favourite global superstar? Is it a singer, band or actor?
What do you think is the reason this person/group has a global appeal?



For answer keys, facts and more quizzes related to 'Global Superstars' & weekly current affairs quizzes, please visit the following link:
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There have been many legendary musical bands and singers who have captivated millions of fans for decades.

From the box provided below, identify the images of 9 such bands/singers using the hints provided.
One example is given.

Queen The Beatles
Elvis Presley

The Rolling Stones Michael Jackson BTS
Taylor Swift Beyoncé Shakira



Queen

Famous Songs: We Will Rock You, Bohemian Rhapsody
(The name of Britain's _____ is Elizabeth)



SHAKIRA

Famous Songs: Waka Waka, Hips Don't Lie
(Name starts with same letter as a Brazilian dance form)



MICHAEL JACKSON

Famous Songs: Heal the World, Billie Jean
(He popularised the moonwalk dance step!)



THE BEATLES

Famous Songs: Let it Be, Hey Jude
(The insect by the same name has special chewing abilities)



ROLLING STONES

Famous Songs: Satisfaction, Paint it Black
(A _____ gathers no moss)



TAYLOR SWIFT

Famous Songs: Shake it Off, Love Story
(Same last name as author of 'Gulliver's Travels')



BEYONCE

Famous Songs: Crazy in Love, Sorry
(You only live _____. The word in the blank has part of her name)

Listen to some of these songs. They're great!

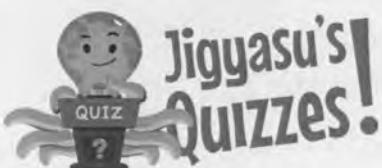


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Earning money is good but growing it is great.
Don't let it sit idle. Invest it and earn on interest rate!
Let your money multiply even while you're asleep
Work, earn money and then let it dividends reap.
For investing your money, there are options many
But without being fully informed, don't invest in any
Fixed deposits, mutual funds and bonds are some
Invest early in life and financially smart become!

- Anansh Prasad



While earning money is important, we need to learn how to invest it as well. You can start as early as today!

Answer the following questions and learn more about different ways in which people invest their money and earn.

Q1. When we invest money in a fixed deposit, we do so for a certain period of time during which the money can't be withdrawn. E.g. For 1 year. During this period, we earn interest on the amount deposited. If HGFT Bank gives us an interest rate of 7% compounded quarterly while IGIGI Bank gives us an interest rate of 7% compounded annually, which one should I go for?



Answer: HGFT BANK

Q2. We can also invest our money in bonds. These are loans given out to an organisation or the government for a certain period of time, for which we get interest. We must be careful about which bonds we invest in. Else, we can lose all our money. **Find out about any sovereign gold bond scheme (SGB) in India (via the internet, speaking with adults) and write about it here.**



Answer: SOVEREIGN GOLD BONDS ARE ISSUED BY THE RESERVE BANK OF INDIA AND ARE THUS A TRUSTWORTHY INVESTMENT OPTION. SOME OF THE TOP GOLD FUNDS IN INDIA ARE THE AXIS GOLD FUND & HDFC GOLD FUND

Q3. Devarshi was trying to decide on where to invest her money. The **State Bank of India** was ready to give her 7% per annum interest for a fixed deposit. Just when she was going to open the fixed deposit account, a person came to her at the counter and said that if she loans the money to her, he will give her interest at 9% per annum. **She doesn't know him at all. What would be a financially smart decision to make here and why?**



Answer: THE FINANCIALLY SMART DECISION WOULD BE TO OPEN THE FIXED DEPOSIT IN THE BANK, AS THE STATE BANK OF INDIA IS A TRUSTWORTHY INSTITUTION.

Q4. Investments can broadly be divided into secured and unsecured investments. In the secured ones, we are guaranteed to get our money back along with interest though at a much lower interest rate. **E.g. A fixed deposit.** In unsecured ones, there is no guarantee of getting money back but the interest rate is much higher. **E.g. Mutual funds. What is the name of India's oldest stock exchange?**



- a. Delhi Stock Exchange b. Kolkata Stock Exchange c. Bombay Stock Exchange

Q5. Nowadays, there are many investments which are risky but offer much higher returns. One such investment option is **cryptocurrencies. Which of these is one of them?**



- a. Bitcoin b. US Dollar c. Indian National Rupee

Q6. Which of these seems like a better way of growing money according to you - step-by-step or by gambling (jua)? **Share why in 1-2 lines as well.**



Answer: STEP BY STEP, REASON BEING THAT GAMBLING INVOLVES HIGH RISK.



What did the bird say when she bought a Rs. 10/- t-shirt?

Answer: Cheap cheap!



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PARALYMPIANS OF INDIA



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Quizzes!

Just like we have the Olympics, another international sporting event conducted at a large scale is the Paralympics.

The Paralympic is for para-athletes - those that have certain physical disabilities like muscle impairment, limb deficiencies etc.

Provided below are the images of some of India's greatest paralympians with their medal count at the Paralympics. From the box provided, identify their sport using the hints. One example is given.

Javelin Throw	Swimming	Archery	Shooting	Shot Put
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Weightlifting

Badminton

High Jump

Table Tennis

1



Devendra Jhajharia
2 Golds, 1 Silver
(Sport same as Neeraj Chopra)
Javelin Throw

2



Mariyappan Thangavelu
1 Gold, 1 Silver
(You elevate yourself to heights in this event)
HIGH JUMP

3



Bhauina Patel
1 Silver
(This sport is also called Ping Pong)
TABLE TENNIS

4



Deepa Malik
1 Silver
(Involves throwing a weighted ball)
SHOT PUT

5



Murlikant Petkar
1 Gold
(Sport same as Michael Phelps)
SWIMMING

6



Avani Lekhara
1 Gold, 1 Bronze
(Sport same as Abhinav Bindra)
SHOOTING

7



Pramod Bhagat
1 Gold
(Sport same as Lakshya Sen)
BADMINTON

8



Harvinder Singh
1 Bronze
(Remember the mythical Eklavya!)
ARCHERY

9



Rajinder Singh Rahelu
1 Bronze
(It's all about how much you pick up!)
WEIGHTLIFTING



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THE SPORTS CONNECT!



Jigyasu's Quizzes!

Each set of terms provided below are associated with a particular sport. Using their numbers, can you connect the different sporting leagues/tournaments with the sporting terms you'd hear in them? One example is given.



Formula One



Pro Badminton League (PBL)



Wimbledon



Indian Premier League (IPL)



Indian Soccer League (ISL)



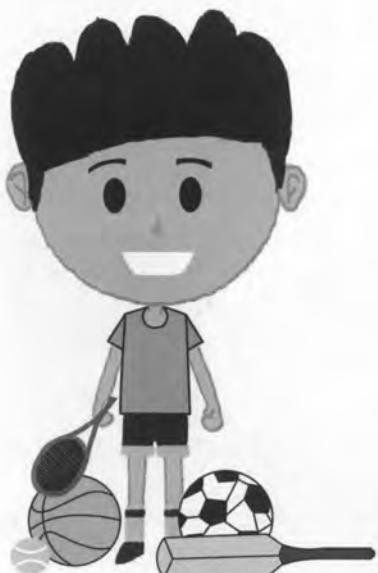
Hockey India League (IHL)



National Basketball Association (NBA-USA)



Pro Kabaddi League (PKL)



1. Silly Point, Mid On, Gully

4

2. Double Dribble, Travel, Free Throw

7

3. Smash, Drop Shot, Net Shot

2

4. Offside, Penalty, Obstruction

5

5. Lona, High Five, Super Tackle

8

6. Serve, Volley, Let

3

7. Pit Stop, Chicane, Overlap

1

8. Push, Flick, Scoop

6



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We all use different apps and online platforms for different purposes today. Fill in the blanks related to some of them, and also find them in the word grid. One example has been given.

- Electronics and other items can be conveniently bought on an e-commerce website **F L I P K A R T**
- People often watch movies and shows on an OTT platform named **N E T F L I X**
- It has become convenient to make payments via an online payments app called **G O O G L E P A Y**
- We can conveniently book cabs in most parts of the country using apps like **O L A**
- Even ordering food can be conveniently done at home using the **Z O M A T O** app among others
- Apps like **B I G B A S K E T** can also be used to buy groceries while sitting at home itself!
- Technicians like carpenters, plumbers etc. can be booked using an app called **U R B A N C O M P A N Y**
- It is also very easy to sell used products on popular apps like **O L X**



For answer keys, facts and more quizzes related to 'Let's Go Online' & weekly current affairs quizzes, please visit the following link:

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MIXED BAGS

Mixed Bag Set 1 - Bulls Eye

Each question in this set has 4 options of which 1 is correct.

Mark the correct one. One example is given.

1. Which of these famous businessmen was the Founder of Reliance Industries?
 a. JRD Tata b. Anand Mahindra c. Dhirubhai Ambani d. GK Goenka

2. In 2022, Russia attacked X - a European country engaging in a lengthy armed conflict with it. Donetsk and Luhansk are some regions of X. What is the capital of X?

- a. Kyiv b. Warsaw c. Prague d. Bern

3. The full form of X is Anand Milk Union Limited. It is a legendary organisation founded by a great Indian social entrepreneur named Y. He is called the 'Father of the White Revolution'. Identify X and Y

- a. X - ASUS Y - Shri Khera
 c. X - Nestle Y - Verghese Kurien b. X - Amul Y - Verghese Kurien
 d. X - Amul Y - Shri Khera

4. What is the name of the longest bone in the human body?

- a. Femur (thighbone) b. Wrist Bone c. Anvil d. Skull

5. X is the tallest statue in the world located in Gujarat, India (as of 2022). It has been built as a tribute to Y, one of India's greatest freedom fighters. Identify X and Y.

- a. X - Statue of Belief Y - Mahatma Gandhi b. X - Statue of Liberty Y - Bhagat Singh
 c. X - Statue of Unity Y - Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel d. X - Statue of Freedom Y - Sarojini Naidu

6. Which of these is not the name of a popular on demand streaming platform?

- a. Netflix b. Windows c. Disney+ d. Amazon Prime

7. Devendra Jhajharia and X have won individual gold medals in the same track and field at the Paralympics and Olympics respectively. Identify X.

- a. PV Sindhu b. Abhinau Bindra c. Neeraj Chopra d. Vijay Kumar

8. Amphan (2020), Fani (2019), and Hudhud (2014), are different names of which natural disasters that affected parts of coastal India in different years?

- a. Cyclones b. Tsunamis c. Earthquakes d. Volcanic Eruptions

9. This emerging profession focuses on making sure that our electronic data and information is safe from online theft and misuse. Name it.

- a. Social Media Marketing b. Cybersecurity c. Graphic Design d. Web Development

10. Martin Luther King Jr. is the name of a great revolutionary who fought for the rights of African American people in a country famous for NASA and the Pentagon. Name it.

- a. Brazil b. Great Britain c. Canada d. USA

Mixed Bag Set 2 - One Too Many!

Each question in this set has 4 options. More than one option can be correct in each question. Mark all the correct options. One example is given.

1. Which of these is not an example of a hybrid animal?

- a. Wholphin b. Liger c. Crocolator d. Deon

2. Which of these is not an example of a type of force?

- a. Gauge b. Force c. Gravity d. Solar

3. Which of these are names of some of ISRO's space missions?

- a. Apollo b. Mangalyaan c. Chandrayaan d. Shuttle-Mir

4. Which of these tribal languages are official languages of India?

- a. Santhali b. Onge c. Gondi d. Meena

5. As of 2022, which of these positions have not yet been held by Indian women?

- a. Prime Minister of India b. President of India
c. Chief Minister of an Indian State d. Chief Justice of India

6. Which of these are exotic foods that originate from Asian nations?

- a. Baklava b. Kabuli Pulao c. Goulash d. Paella

7. Which of these is not a unit of measurement for length?

- a. Inches b. Feet c. Seconds d. Joules

8. Which of these are cold deserts in the world?

- a. Atacama b. Thar c. Gobi d. Sahara

9. Which of these are names of famous poems?

- a. If b. O Captain! My Captain!
 c. Where the Mind is Without Fear d. The Alchemist

10. Which of these are popular forms of investment in India?

- a. Fixed Deposits b. Share Market c. Loans d. EMIs

Mixed Bag Set 3 - Question The Answer

This mixed bag set requires you to do something different! We are also used to answering questions. Let's reverse the process and question answers instead!

There are 10 different words/statements provided below. Frame questions that would give these words/statements as the answer. One example has been given.

There can be more than one correct question for each word/statement.

Just apply yourself and you should do well in this mixed bag set!

Answer 1: Mahatma Gandhi

Potential Question: Who is referred to as the 'Father of our Nation'?/ Who was born on 2nd October?

Answer 2: Fake News

Potential Question: MANY MISCREANTS USE SOCIAL MEDIA TO SPREAD _____, FILL IN THE BLANKS

Answer 3: Panche

Potential Question: WHAT IS DHOTI CALLED IN KARNATAKA?

Answer 4: Battle of Plassey

Potential Question: WHICH BATTLE WAS FOUGHT BETWEEN THE BRITISH EAST INDIA COMPANY AND THE NAWAB OF BENGAL IN 1757?

Answer 5: Corruption

Potential Question: WHAT IS ANOTHER WORD FOR DISHONEST IMMORAL AND UNFAIR ACTIVITIES?

Answer 6: Indian Foreign Service

Potential Question: MEMBERS OF WHICH INDIAN SERVICES, SELECTED BY THE UPSC, WORK DIRECTLY UNDER THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Answer 7: United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

Potential Question: WHICH UN AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING DEVELOPMENTAL AND HUMANITARIAN AID TO CHILDREN

Answer 8: Gibbous and Crescent

Potential Question: NAME ANY TWO PHASES OF THE MOON

Answer 9: Serena Williams

Potential Question: NAME AN AMERICAN TENNIS PLAYER THAT HAS FINISHED AS THE YEAR-END 'NO. 1' 5 TIMES

Answer 10: Arab Spring

Potential Question: THE TUNISIAN REVOLUTION THAT SPREAD TO OTHER NATIONS IN THE REGION IS ALSO KNOWN AS _____
FILL IN THE BLANKS

Mixed Bag Set 4 - Picture Perfect!

In this mixed bag set, each question is related to a picture provided with it. Read the instructions and answer the questions.

1. This is Christopher Evans, a global superstar who is famous for playing the role of an important avenger in the Marvel Cinematic Universe in multiple movies. Name this role he has played.

- a. Iron Man
- b. Captain America
- c. Hulk
- d. Superman



2. This is a picture of Lovlina Borgohain, a bronze medalist at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. After MC Mary Kom, she is the 2nd Indian woman to achieve this feat in this sport. Name the sport.

- a. Tennis
- b. Badminton
- c. Wrestling
- d. Boxing



3. Chris Martin is the lead singer of this famous British rock band. Some of its famous songs are Yellow, Viva la Vida and Paradise. It is one of the most successful bands of all time. Name it.

- a. One Direction
- b. BTS
- c. Coldplay
- d. Queen



4. During this famous Indian festival, to signify the victory of good over evil, effigies of Ravana are burnt across India as shown in the image. Name the festival.

- a. Dussehra
- b. Diwali
- c. Holi
- d. Janmashtami



5. This is a picture of the famous bull at India's oldest stock exchange. Over 5000 companies are listed on it as of 2022. People buy their shares as a form of investment. Name the stock exchange.

- a. Bombay Stock Exchange
- b. National Stock Exchange
- c. Kolkata Stock Exchange
- d. Chennai Stock Exchange



6. This is the world's first cloned animal. Her name is dolly. Since she was cloned, there has been a big debate on whether cloning animals is ethical. Which of these is not a type of wool?

- a. Merino
- b. Elephant
- c. Camel
- d. Cashmere



7. This is a portrait of one of India's greatest industrialists ever. Angered by not being allowed entry into an only British restaurant, he also built one of India's most well known hotels in Mumbai - Taj Mahal Palace Hotel. Name the company founded by him.

- a. Birla
- b. Mahindra
- c. Tata
- d. Wadia



8. This is a picture of blue and red litmus paper. The blue litmus has turned red while the red litmus hasn't changed colour. What type of a solution have they been put in?

- a. Acid
- b. Base
- c. Salt
- d. Inert



9. This is a picture of the longest continental mountain range in the world. Located in South America, it has a length of 8900 km! Can you name it?

- a. Rockies
- b. Andes
- c. Vindhya
- d. Karakoram



10. This is a picture from the 2022 protests that took place in a neighbouring country to India. People rose up against the country's President and government for rising prices, corruption and other issues. Name this country.

- a. Sri Lanka
- b. Pakistan
- c. Bangladesh
- d. Nepal



~~11.~~ This Schedule Tribe is the largest tribal group of India constituting 38% of the tribal population (2011 Census). They are found in parts of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan among other regions, and their name rhymes with a fish's body part. Name them.

- a. KD Jadhau
- b. Bajrang Punia
- c. Yogeshwar Dutt
- d. Sushil Kumar



Mixed Bag Set 5 - What's the Link!

Each question in this mixed bag set has 3 images with a common link.
Identify the common link. One example is given.



1

IPL Teams

(Hint: Cricket)



Sundarbans



Sinharaja

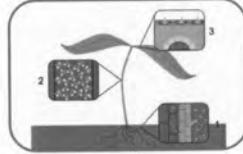


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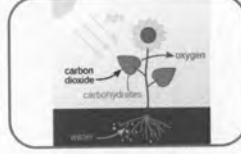
2

FORESTS

(Hint: They are covered by dense trees)



Transpiration



Photosynthesis



Germination

3

PLANTS

(Hint: Scientific processes related to?)



4

UNITED NATIONS

(Hint: Related to an international organisation)



Erling Haaland



Kylian Mbappe



Robert Lewandowski

5

FOOTBALL

(Hint: All famous for playing a sport)

MY CURRENT AFFAIRS DIARY

While enhancing general knowledge  is necessary, keeping abreast with current affairs  is most important!

The happenings across our city, India  and the world  in all spheres/sectors have an impact on us - politics , society , sports , entertainment , science and technology , finance  and other areas.

To be a **globally aware individual**, we must be able to answer the following question with a resounding **YES** at any point in time:

Can you think of 5 things that have taken place across your city, India and the world this week and their impact on your life?

If you are able to answer this question with a yes each week, then you will know more than 98% of the people in the world!

Different Sources for Current Affairs News

There are unlimited sources for learning about the happenings of the world today. Just make sure that the information you read is factually correct and authentic. Don't believe in fake news!

Use any of these current affairs sources for just 15 minutes everyday and see the impact!



Newspapers
(E.g. Times of India, Indian Express etc.)



The Internet
(Use Google Search, Wikipedia etc.)



Mobile Apps
(E.g. Inshorts, GoogleNews etc.)



TV Shows
(Make sure they provide genuine news)



Speaking and Listening to People
(Make sure news shared is authentic)

Interpreting Current Affairs News

Every time you read a piece of news, try and think about how it impacts your life and society. This is very important. If you are unable to think of this by yourself, seek help from adults. This makes current affairs more valuable.

If a piece of news has no direct impact on your life, that type of general knowledge is called trivia. E.g. A popular actor's birthday being on 27th December is trivia.

My Current Affairs Diary

This is one of the most important parts of this book. Update this current affairs diary without fail each week. Try and find out about some local, national and international news of different genres - sports, economy, politics etc. Absolutely anything is okay for a start! Try to find 2 pieces of local news, 2 pieces of national news and 1/2 piece of international news.

This book gives you a start. Follow this habit for 6 weeks and you will see it becoming a part of your life. Continue this habit beyond this book by making your own current affairs diary.

Week Number & Dates	What are the 5 things that you learnt about the happenings of the world this week?	How did these pieces of news impact your life/society/country?
Week 0 (Sample) Dates: 12th - 18th September, 2022	<p>1. Heavy rains affect parts of Mumbai and Thane (local news for Mumbai)</p> <p>2. Cheetahs from Namibia are brought into India in an attempt to revive this extinct species in India (national news)</p> <p>3. King Charles assumes responsibility as the King of England after his mother Queen Elizabeth's demise (international news)</p> <p>4. Roger Federer announces his retirement from professional tennis after the Laver cup later this year (international sports news)</p> <p>5. Ukraine gains back territory in war against Russia (international news)</p>	<p>1. Will impact children going to school, slum dwellers and other property which will get damaged</p> <p>2. Good chance of increasing India's biodiversity if it works out</p> <p>3. Might affect Britain's influence over some of its previously colonised countries and the Commonwealth</p> <p>4. Big blow to international tennis as he was a huge star and crowd puller. Hopefully the next generation of tennis players comes up now</p> <p>5. The war ending soon will help reduce oil prices and improve food security globally</p>
Week 1 Dates:	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.

	4. 5.	4. 5.
Week 2 Dates:	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.
Week 3 Dates:	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.
Week 4 Dates:	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.