

Making of Contemporary India

Assignment 1

"The modernization and the unification of time is the most important contribution of the British rule in India." With the help of the reading material, elaborate on why you agree or disagree in about 1500 words.

Reading Material:

From Vanessa Ogle's *The Global Transformation of Time*, read the following chapters:

- Chapter 3: From National to Uniform Time Around the Globe.
- Chapter 4: A Battle of Colonial Times
- Chapter 7: One Calendar for All.

Optional Reading:

Rest of the chapters from Vanessa Ogle's *The Global Transformation of Time*.

- Chapter 3: The Electric Worldmap from Peter Galison's *Einstein's Clocks Poincare's Maps*

You are encouraged to collect and read other resources (books, articles, etc.) that add to the argument made in your essay.