PRD — Indian History Quiz (1900–1947) — Streamlit MVP

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1. Executive summary

Build a lightweight Streamlit quiz app focused on **Indian history from 1900 to 1947**. The MVP supports both **single-player** and **multiplayer (competition + leaderboards)** experiences, multiple question formats (MCQ, True/False, Fill-in-the-blank, Matching, Timed/Speed rounds), a layered scoring system (base points + time bonus + streaks + difficulty multiplier), and light gamification (progress bar, badges, avatars). Quiz content is **static, preloaded** for MVP.

The app is anonymous (temporary usernames) to reduce friction. Leaderboards (global + friends) are supported via a simple persistent store (SQLite or JSON for MVP), with an option to wire up an external DB for production.

2. Goals & success metrics

Primary goals

- Deliver an engaging, educational quiz experience about Indian history (1900–1947).
- Enable easy, repeatable play with social competition via leaderboards.
- Provide meaningful feedback (explanations) after questions.

Success metrics (MVP)

- # of unique players (first 30 days)
- Average session length (questions answered per session)
- **Completion rate** (sessions started → sessions completed)
- Leaderboard submissions (number of scores posted to global leaderboard)
- Average score improvement (compare first vs. third session)

Concrete numeric targets can be set later once analytics are enabled.

3. Scope

In-scope (MVP)

- Streamlit web app (single-file or small module structure).
- Static, preloaded question bank (JSON or Python list), covering 1900–1947.
- Single-player mode: fixed guizzes, timed sessions, and custom guizzes.
- Multiplayer/competition via **challenge codes** (asynchronous) + global leaderboard.
- Anonymous temporary usernames (user chooses a display name each session).
- Scoring: base points + time bonus + streak bonus + difficulty multiplier.
- Post-question explanation + correct/incorrect display.
- Gamified elements: progress bar, badges (unlockable), avatar selection (emoji-based).
- Simple persistent leaderboard storage (SQLite or JSON file).
- Step-by-step deployment instructions (local + Streamlit Cloud + Hugging Face Spaces).

Out of scope (MVP)

- User authentication (OAuth / email verification).
- Real-time multiplayer (sockets).
- Admin UI for question editing (no dynamic backend for Q/A).
- · Advanced animations, sounds, or heavy graphics.
- Multi-language/localization.

4. User personas

- 1. **High-school student (Age 15–19)** studying history, uses app to revise and test knowledge before exams.
- 2. **History enthusiast (Age 25–45)** casual player who loves historical trivia and competition.
- 3. **Teacher/quizmaster (Age 30–55)** uses app to craft small in-class quizzes and share challenge codes.

5. User stories

- As a casual player, I want to start a 10-question quiz so I can quickly test my knowledge.
- As a time-challenged user, I want a 5-minute timed session to see how many I can answer.
- As a user, I want explanations after each answer so I can learn from mistakes.
- As a player, I want to post my score to a global leaderboard to compete.
- As a group, I want to generate a challenge code to share with friends and compare scores in a friends leaderboard.
- As a player, I want badges for achievements to feel rewarded.

6. Functional requirements

6.1 Core quiz engine

- Support question types: mcq, true_false, fill_blank, matching
- Randomize question order per session.
- Randomize options for MCQs.
- Support question-level difficulty (easy/medium/hard).
- Show a per-question timer (configurable); for timed sessions, apply session timer.
- Store user session info in st.session state for continuity while session active.

6.2 Session types

- Fixed quiz: user chooses N questions (default: 10).
- Timed session: user chooses time limit (default: 5 minutes), answer as many as possible.
- Custom: user selects number of questions + difficulty mix.

6.3 Scoring

- Compute per-question points using: base points (by question type) × difficulty multiplier + time bonus + streak bonus.
- Only award time bonus for correct answers.
- Store final session score and relevant metadata (mode, time taken, correct_count).

(See scoring algorithm section for precise formulas.)

6.4 Feedback & learning

- After answering: show Correct / Incorrect; show short explanation (1–3 sentences) drawn from question data.
- Provide end-of-quiz summary: total score, breakdown by difficulty, accuracy %, time per question.

6.5 Leaderboards & multiplayer

- Global leaderboard (all submissions stored and ranked by score): show top 50.
- Friends leaderboard implemented via challenge codes: creator selects quiz settings → app generates short alphanumeric challenge_code (e.g., AF3Z9) → others enter code to take exact same quiz → scores tagged with challenge → friends leaderboard shows top scores for that challenge.
- Players can choose to **publish** or **skip** leaderboard submission at the end (privacy by default).

6.6 Gamification

- **Progress bar** during quiz (questions completed / total).
- **Badges**: first quiz, high scorer, streak master, quick thinker. Badges are unlocked and shown on endof-quiz screen.
- Avatar selection: small set of emoji-based avatars to personalize temporary usernames.

6.7 Persistence & Data

- Store leaderboards and challenge metadata in a lightweight DB (SQLite recommended) or leaderboard.json for simplest MVP.
- Questions stored in data/questions.json (static file) and loaded on app start.

6.8 Admin & content

• For MVP: editing is manual (edit JSON or Python). Add instructions in README for updating question bank.

7. Non-functional requirements

- **Performance**: < 500ms question load time on typical broadband.
- Availability: app should be accessible (Streamlit Cloud or HF Spaces) and responsive.
- **Security**: do not store PII; no authentication in MVP. Avoid storing client IPs or other personal metadata.
- **Scalability**: MVP assumes small traffic. If high traffic expected, move DB to managed service (Supabase/Postgres).
- Accessibility: keyboard navigable, readable font sizes, color contrast.

8. Data & question bank schema

questions.json (array of objects). Example schema:

```
"id": "q0001",
  "year": 1919,
  "topic": "Jallianwala Bagh",
  "type": "mcq",
  "difficulty": "medium",
  "question": "On which date did the Jallianwala Bagh massacre take place?",
  "options": ["13 April 1919", "15 August 1919", "30 January 1919", "26 January 1920"],
  "answer": "13 April 1919",
  "explanation": "The Jallianwala Bagh massacre occurred on 13 April 1919, when
British troops fired on a peaceful gathering in Amritsar."
}
```

```
Supported type values and expected fields: - mcq: options (array), answer (string) - true_false: answer (true or false) - fill_blank: answer (string or array of synonyms) - matching: pairs (array of {left, right}), app will shuffle left/right and present matching UI
```

Sample question excerpts (MVP sample bank)

- MCQ: When did Mahatma Gandhi return to India from South Africa? → 1915 (Explanation: Gandhi returned in 1915.)
- True/False: *The Simon Commission included any Indian members.* → False (Explanation: it had no Indian members.)
- Fill-in-the-blank: *The Non-Cooperation Movement began in*___. → 1920 (Explanation: launched after the Khilafat resolutions and events of 1920.)
- Matching: Match leader → movement (e.g., Gandhi → Non-Cooperation Movement; Subhas Chandra Bose → INA involvement)

(Provide ~100-200 curated items for launch if possible; 30-50 is reasonable MVP.)

9. Scoring algorithm (precise)

Parameters

- type_base (base per question type): MCQ=10, TRUE_FALSE=5, FILL_BLANK=15, MATCHING=20.
- difficulty_multiplier : EASY=1.0, MEDIUM=1.5, HARD=2.0.
- time_limit = per-question time in seconds (configurable). For timed sessions, time_limit is derived from session. For fixed quizzes, default per-question limit = 30s.
- | time_bonus_cap | = 50% of base_score (configurable) maximum time bonus possible.
- streak_bonus_unit = 2 points per consecutive correct answer (scaled by difficulty multiplier).

Formula (for a correct answer)

```
    base_score = type_base * difficulty_multiplier
    time_bonus = round((max(0, time_limit - time_taken) / time_limit) * time_bonus_cap)
    streak_bonus = round(streak_bonus_unit * (current_streak - 1) * difficulty_multiplier) (0 if streak=1)
    question_score = round(base_score + time_bonus + streak_bonus)
```

For incorrect answers: question_score = 0 (optionally show small penalty in future versions).

Example: MCQ (type_base=10), difficulty=HARD (2.0) \rightarrow base_score=20. If time_limit=30s, time_taken=10s \rightarrow time_bonus = ((30-10)/30)10 = 6.67 \rightarrow 7. If streak is 3 -> streak_bonus = 2(3-1)*2 = 8. Total \approx 20+7+8 = 35 points.

10. Leaderboards & multiplayer design details

Global leaderboard

```
• Table columns: id , username , avatar , mode , score , correct_count , questions_count , duration_seconds , quiz_settings_hash , created_at .
```

• Display top 50 by score + filters by mode (fixed/timed/custom) and timeframe (today/this week/all time).

Friends leaderboard (Challenge code)

- Creating a challenge generates an entry in challenges table: code, quiz_settings, created_by, expires_at, created_at.
- Players enter code to take exact same quiz (deterministic question ordering via seed stored in quiz_settings), ensuring fairness.
- Scores submitted with challenge_code populate challenge-specific leaderboard.
- Challenge codes expire after configurable period (e.g., 7 days).

Anti-cheat & fairness

- Use server-side scoring; never trust client-side score.
- Fix random seed per challenge to guarantee identical question/option ordering for all players of that challenge.
- Limit rapid repeat submissions by same username (throttling) if needed.

11. UX / UI requirements (Streamlit mapping)

Global structure (pages)

- **Home**: choose mode (Single-player, Timed, Custom, Multiplayer → Create/Join Challenge), quick start.
- Play: question/answer UI, timer, progress bar, avatar & username at top.
- **Results**: per-question summary, score breakdown, badges unlocked, Publish score button.
- Leaderboards: global + friend challenges.
- **About / How to play**: instructions, scoring explanation, data/privacy note.

Key components

- Question card: st.markdown() for text, st.radio() / custom UI for options, st.text_input() for fill-in, 2-column layout for matching.
- Timer: visible countdown using st.empty() with periodic refresh; use time.time() and st.session_state to compute remaining time.
- Progress: st.progress() to show completion.
- Avatar selection: set of emoji buttons.
- Badges: display icons + short description.

12. Data model (MVP SQL)

Tables (SQLite)

• questions (static - optional persistence): id TEXT PRIMARY KEY, payload JSON (optional)

- leaderboard:
- id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT
- username TEXT
- avatar TEXT
- mode TEXT
- score INTEGER
- correct_count INTEGER
- questions_count INTEGER
- duration_seconds INTEGER
- challenge_code TEXT
- created_at TEXT
- challenges:
- code TEXT PRIMARY KEY
- quiz_settings JSON
- seed INTEGER
- created_by TEXT
- created_at TEXT
- expires_at TEXT

13. Testing & QA

- **Unit tests**: scoring logic (edge cases), question parsing, DB write/read.
- **Manual QA**: iterate through all modes (fixed/timed/custom/challenge), confirm scoring matches formula, check leaderboard entries.
- Security QA: ensure no PII, verify user input sanitized.

14. Acceptance criteria (examples)

- User can start a 10-question quiz and finish it; final score is computed and displayed.
- Correct/Incorrect + explanation shown after each answer.
- Leaderboard can accept a published score and display top entries.
- Challenge code flow works: creator produces code, second user enters code and takes same quiz, both scores show on challenge leaderboard.
- Badges appear when earned.

15. Sample question bank (MVP — 12 examples)

Below are a few representative questions that you can expand. All are within 1900–1947.

1. MCQ — When did the Jallianwala Bagh massacre occur?
Options: 13 April 1919, 15 August 1919, 30 January 1919, 26 January 1920
Answer: 13 April 1919
Explanation: The Jallianwala Bagh massacre happened on 13 April 1919 when troops
fired on a peaceful gathering in Amritsar.
2. MCQ — Who launched the Non-Cooperation Movement in 1920?
Options: Mahatma Gandhi, Subhas Chandra Bose, Jawaharlal Nehru, Sardar Patel
Answer: Mahatma Gandhi
Explanation: Gandhi launched the Non-Cooperation Movement in 1920 in response to
events after World War I.
2 TRUE FALSE The Simon Commission included Indian members
3. TRUE_FALSE — The Simon Commission included Indian members. Answer: False
Explanation: The Simon Commission of 1928 had no Indian members, provoking
country-wide protests.
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4. FILL_BLANK — The Salt March (Dandi March) began in the year
Answer: 1930
Explanation: Gandhi's Salt March to Dandi was in 1930 as civil disobedience
against the salt tax.
5. MCQ — Which movement was launched by the Indian National Congress in 1942 demanding an end to
British rule?
Options: Quit India Movement, Civil Disobedience Movement, Non-Cooperation
Movement , Swadeshi Movement
Answer: Quit India Movement
Explanation: The Quit India Movement was launched in August 1942 demanding
immediate British withdrawal.
6. MATCHING — Match the leader to an associated event/movement.
Pairs: Gandhi -> Salt March, Subhas Chandra Bose -> Indian National Army (INA),
Bhagat Singh -> Revolutionary activities
Explanation: These pairings reflect prominent associations in the independence
struggle.
7. MCQ — In which year did the Rowlatt Act result in widespread protests?
Options: 1919 , 1922 , 1908 , 1930
Answer: 1919
Explanation: The Rowlatt Act provoked protests and ultimately led to harsh
responses like the Jallianwala Bagh incident.

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8. FILL_BLANK — India gained independence in the year ____.

Answer: 1947

Explanation: India became independent on 15 August 1947 (independence year = 1947).

(Expand to 50–200 questions for a richer MVP experience.)
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16. Tech stack & project structure (MVP)

```
Core - Python 3.8+ - Streamlit - SQLite (builtin sqlite3) or tinydb/JSON for simplest approach -
pandas (optional, for analytics)
Dev tooling - pytest for unit tests - black / ruff for formatting/linting
```

Repository layout (recommended)

```
streamlit-india-quiz/
                       # Main Streamlit app
 — app.py
 − quiz/
   ├── engine.py  # Core quiz logic: scoring, question selection
     — data.py
                     # helpers to load question bank
   └─ ui.py
                   # UI helper components
 − data/
   ├─ questions.json # static question bank
   └── leaderboard.db  # (created at runtime) sqlite DB
 - requirements.txt
  README.md
  - tests/
   └─ test_scoring.py
```

17. Deployment & step-by-step instructions

17.1 Local run (simplest)

- 1. Install Python 3.8+.
- 2. Create virtual environment and activate:

```
python3 -m venv venv
# macOS/Linux
source venv/bin/activate
```

```
# Windows
venv\Scripts\activate
```

1. Install dependencies:

```
pip install --upgrade pip
pip install streamlit pandas
# If using tinydb or pytest:
# pip install tinydb pytest
```

- 1. Project files: ensure app.py and data/questions.json exist.
- 2. Initialize DB (optional): run a tiny script to create data/leaderboard.db or let app create file on first write.
- 3. Run the app:

```
streamlit run app.py
```

1. Open http://localhost:8501 in your browser.

17.2 Deploy to Streamlit Cloud (recommended for easy public deploy)

- 1. Push project to a GitHub repository (include requirements.txt).
- 2. Create a Streamlit Cloud account and connect your GitHub.
- 3. Create a new app in Streamlit Cloud, point to your repo and the app.py file.
- 4. Configure secrets if you use an external DB (Supabase/Postgres) via Streamlit's secrets manager.
- 5. Deploy Streamlit Cloud will install requirements and host the app.

Notes: For persistent leaderboards across deploys, use an external DB (Supabase/Postgres) and add connection secrets in Streamlit Cloud. Streamlit Cloud's ephemeral file system is not ideal for long-term file-based persistence.

17.3 Deploy to Hugging Face Spaces

- 1. Create a new Space on Hugging Face and choose **Streamlit** as the runtime.
- 2. Add your repo files (requirements.txt, app.py, data folder). Commit and push.
- 3. The Space will build and expose a public URL.

Notes: HF Spaces also runs your app but file persistence across builds is limited; use an external DB to persist leaderboards.

18. Implementation checklist (recommended development steps)

- 1. Create repo skeleton + sample questions (12–30 items).
- 2. Implement core quiz engine (question selection, randomization).
- 3. Implement UI for single-player fixed quiz.

- 4. Implement scoring logic & per-question feedback.
- 5. Implement result summary page + local leaderboard storage.
- 6. Add timed and custom quiz modes.
- 7. Implement challenge code flow (friends leaderboard).
- 8. Add badges & avatar selection.
- 9. Polish UI, add README + deployment docs.
- 10. Write tests for scoring and DB operations.

19. Future enhancements (post-MVP)

- Authentication (OAuth) + persistent user profiles.
- Real-time multiplayer (WebSockets) and match-making.
- Admin panel for adding/editing questions.
- Richer analytics dashboard for educators.
- Social sharing & integration (WhatsApp, Twitter/X, etc.).

20. Appendix

Example requirements.txt

```
streamlit>=1.20
pandas
pytest
# optional
tinydb
python-dotenv
```

Example minimal scoring unit test (pytest)

```
from quiz.engine import compute_question_score

def test_mcq_scoring():
    # MCQ, hard, quick answer, streak 3
    score = compute_question_score(type='mcq', difficulty='hard', time_limit=30, time_taken=10, streak=3)
    assert score > 0
```

Ready to move to the code stage?

This PRD defines the MVP scope, data, UX, scoring, and deployment guidance so you can begin implementing the Streamlit app. If you'd like, I can now:

- Generate a **starter** app.py **Streamlit codebase** (complete with scoring, question loading, a sample UI, local leaderboard), or
- Produce the **question bank JSON** with X sample items (select the count), or
- Create the **DB init script** and helper modules.

Tell me which artifact you want next and I will generate the code (Streamlit app.py recommended as the next step).