

Class 9 - Social Science

Understanding Society India and Beyond PART-I

Political Science - Democracy

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Political Science - Democracy - Challenge Worksheet

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Solve the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

1. Analyze how the evolution of democratic principles from Ancient India to modern times has influenced contemporary democratic practices.

Hint: Reflect on specific events that marked shifts, such as the impact of colonialism or the drafting of the Constitution.

2. Critically evaluate the effectiveness of Universal Adult Franchise in ensuring true democratic representation in India.

Hint: Think about demographic disparities and how they might affect electoral outcomes.



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Solve the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

3. Discuss the significance of the rule of law in a democracy, using instances from Indian judiciary practices that illustrate its importance.

Hint: Consider cases where the rule of law may have been challenged and the consequences of these challenges.

4. Evaluate the role of political parties in shaping the democratic landscape of India. Are they more beneficial or detrimental to democracy?

Hint: Think of both major and minor parties and how they represent diverse interests.



Solve the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

5. Assess the challenges faced by Indian democracy today and propose potential solutions that could strengthen democratic processes.

Hint: Consider both grassroots movements and institutional reforms.

6. Examine how the separation of powers among the legislative, executive, and judiciary enhances democratic governance in India.

Hint: Look for historical instances where one branch has overstepped its authority.



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Solve the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

7. How do Fundamental Rights support the functioning of democracy in India? Analyze their role in protecting citizens' voices.

Hint: Consider any recent events or social movements related to these rights.

8. Debate the importance of accountability and transparency in governance and explore the mechanisms that ensure these principles in Indian democracy.

Hint: What challenges do these mechanisms encounter in practice?



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Solve the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

9. Investigate the role of civil society in Indian democracy. How does it contribute to or hinder democratic processes?

Hint: Consider both positive contributions and instances where civil action has been met with resistance.

10. Consider the representation of vulnerable groups in Indian democracy. What role does the Constitution play in this context?

Hint: Reflect on specific Articles and how they have been utilized in legal disputes.



Check your answers with the solutions below.

1. Analyze how the evolution of democratic principles from Ancient India to modern times has influenced contemporary democratic practices.

Solution: Consider the continuity and change in democratic ideologies, citing examples from Vedic assemblies, the Bauddha Samghas, and current democratic frameworks.

2. Critically evaluate the effectiveness of Universal Adult Franchise in ensuring true democratic representation in India.

Solution: Discuss the concept of Universal Adult Franchise, citing examples of its impact on elections, while considering issues such as voter turnout, education, and access.

3. Discuss the significance of the rule of law in a democracy, using instances from Indian judiciary practices that illustrate its importance.

Solution: Provide examples of landmark judicial rulings and their implications on upholding the rule of law, analyzing both positive outcomes and potential shortcomings.

4. Evaluate the role of political parties in shaping the democratic landscape of India. Are they more beneficial or detrimental to democracy?

Solution: Explore the functions of political parties, citing examples of party dynamics in elections and governance, while weighing their contributions against the challenges they pose.

5. Assess the challenges faced by Indian democracy today and propose potential solutions that could strengthen democratic processes.

Solution: Identify key challenges such as corruption, social inequality, and electoral malpractice, p
a reasoned analysis of proposed reforms and their feasibility.



Check your answers with the solutions below.

6. Examine how the separation of powers among the legislative, executive, and judiciary enhances democratic governance in India.

Solution: Discuss how this separation prevents the concentration of power, using specific cases where checks and balances have either succeeded or failed.

7. How do Fundamental Rights support the functioning of democracy in India? Analyze their role in protecting citizens' voices.

Solution: Explain the relationship between Fundamental Rights and democratic principles, providing examples of how these rights have been defended or threatened.

8. Debate the importance of accountability and transparency in governance and explore the mechanisms that ensure these principles in Indian democracy.

Solution: Analyze major frameworks such as the RTI Act and their effectiveness, discussing their impact on governance and public trust.

9. Investigate the role of civil society in Indian democracy. How does it contribute to or hinder democratic processes?

Solution: Provide examples of civil society initiatives and their outcomes, assessing their role in shaping public policy and citizen engagement.



Check your answers with the solutions below.

10. Consider the representation of vulnerable groups in Indian democracy. What role does the Constitution play in this context?

Solution: Explore how constitutional provisions support the rights of marginalized communities and evaluate their effectiveness in practice.



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