

## UPSC Mains History Question Paper 2020

History is one of the subjects included in the General Studies I paper of UPSC Mains. It comprises questions based on freedom struggle, world history and post-independence India.

### History Mains Question Paper Trend Analysis 2013-2020

The table given below shows the distribution of history questions in the General Studies I paper of the IAS Mains examination. Candidates can refer to the same for assistance:

Year	Number of History Questions
2020	Freedom Struggle - 2
2019	Modern History - 1 Freedom Struggle - 1 Post Independence - 1 World History - 1
2018	Modern History - 1 Post Independence - 2
2017	Modern History - 1 Freedom Struggle - 2 Post Independence - 2
2016	Freedom Struggle - 3 World History - 1
2015	Freedom Struggle - 2 World History - 2
2014	Freedom Struggle - 3 World History - 3
2013	Freedom Struggle - 3 Post Independence - 5 World History - 4

It must also be noted that **the least number of questions from history in the past eight years were asked in UPSC Mains GS I paper 2020**. No questions from Modern history, post-independence and world history were asked in the latest recruitment. Only two questions based on freedom struggle were asked in 2020 and the same have been mentioned below.

## UPSC Mains Question Paper 2020 - History [GS-I]

### Freedom Struggle

1. Evaluate the policies of Lord Curzon and their long term implications on national movement. (150 words, 10 marks)
2. Since the decade of the 1920s, the national movement acquired various ideological strands and thereby expanded its social base. Discuss (250 words, 15 marks)