

Here are the **Top 100 History Questions**, organized by major periods and themes. This list is ideal for school students, competitive exams (like UPSC, SSC), and general knowledge.

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## **A. Ancient History (1–25)**

1. What is history?
2. What are the sources of ancient Indian history?
3. What is the significance of archaeology?
4. What was the Indus Valley Civilization?
5. Name major sites of the Indus Valley Civilization.
6. What were the main features of Harappan cities?
7. What is the Vedic period?
8. What are the main Vedas?
9. What is the difference between Early and Later Vedic periods?
10. Who was Gautama Buddha?
11. What are the teachings of Buddhism?
12. Who was Mahavira?
13. What are the teachings of Jainism?
14. What was the Maurya Empire?
15. Who was Chandragupta Maurya?
16. Who was Ashoka the Great?
17. What were Ashoka's Dhamma policies?
18. What was the Gupta Empire known for?

19. What is the significance of Nalanda University?
  20. What are the achievements of the Gupta period?
  21. Who was Harshavardhana?
  22. What is Sangam literature?
  23. What was the Chola Empire?
  24. What was the administration like under the Cholas?
  25. Name important ancient Indian scientists and scholars.
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## **B. Medieval History (26–50)**

26. When did the Delhi Sultanate begin?
27. Who was Qutb-ud-din Aibak?
28. What are the major dynasties of the Delhi Sultanate?
29. Who was Alauddin Khilji?
30. Who was Muhammad bin Tughlaq?
31. What was the role of Iltutmish in the Delhi Sultanate?
32. What was the significance of the Bhakti Movement?
33. Who was Kabir?
34. Who was Guru Nanak?
35. What was the Sufi movement?
36. What is the importance of regional kingdoms like Vijayanagara and Bahmani?
37. Who founded the Mughal Empire?

38. Who was Babur?
  39. Who was Akbar the Great?
  40. What were Akbar's religious policies?
  41. What is Din-i-Ilahi?
  42. Who was Jahangir?
  43. Who was Shah Jahan?
  44. What is the significance of the Taj Mahal?
  45. Who was Aurangzeb?
  46. What led to the decline of the Mughal Empire?
  47. Who were the Marathas?
  48. What was the role of Shivaji Maharaj?
  49. What was the administrative system of the Mughals?
  50. What were the causes of the decline of medieval empires?
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## **C. Modern Indian History (51–75)**

51. What was the impact of European traders on India?
52. When and how did the British East India Company come to India?
53. What were the causes of the Battle of Plassey?
54. What was the Battle of Buxar?
55. Who was Warren Hastings?
56. What was the Permanent Settlement?

57. What was the Doctrine of Lapse?
58. What caused the Revolt of 1857?
59. What were the major centers of the 1857 Revolt?
60. Who were the leaders of the 1857 Revolt?
61. What were the consequences of the 1857 Revolt?
62. What were the social reform movements of the 19th century?
63. Who was Raja Ram Mohan Roy?
64. Who was Swami Vivekananda?
65. What is the Indian National Congress?
66. Who was Dadabhai Naoroji?
67. What was the Partition of Bengal (1905)?
68. What is the Swadeshi Movement?
69. What is the Home Rule Movement?
70. What is the significance of the Jallianwala Bagh Massacre?
71. What was the Non-Cooperation Movement?
72. What was the Civil Disobedience Movement?
73. What was the Quit India Movement?
74. What was the Cabinet Mission Plan?
75. What led to India's independence in 1947?



## **D. Indian Freedom Struggle and Leaders (76–85)**

76. Who was Mahatma Gandhi?
  77. What is Satyagraha?
  78. Who was Jawaharlal Nehru?
  79. Who was Subhas Chandra Bose?
  80. What was the Indian National Army (INA)?
  81. What was the role of Bhagat Singh in the freedom struggle?
  82. Who were the revolutionaries of India?
  83. What was the role of women in the freedom struggle?
  84. What was the significance of the Simon Commission?
  85. What were the outcomes of the Round Table Conferences?
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## **E. World History (86–95)**

86. What was the Renaissance?
87. What was the Reformation?
88. What were the causes of the American Revolution?
89. What was the French Revolution?
90. What were the causes of World War I?
91. What was the Treaty of Versailles?
92. What were the causes of World War II?
93. What was the Holocaust?
94. What was the Cold War?

95. What is the significance of the United Nations?

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## **F. Post-Independence India & Miscellaneous (96–100)**

96. What are the major events of post-independent India?

97. What was the Green Revolution?

98. What were the five-year plans?

99. Who was Dr. B.R. Ambedkar?

100. What is the importance of 26th January in India?

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