

1. Is democracy all about coping with multiple pressures and accommodating diverse demands?
2. Is democracy a better form of Government when compared with dictatorship or any other alternative? State a reason.
3. Is the democratic government efficient and effective?
4. Give an example of why the democratic government is known as a responsive government.
5. What would be your verdict on democracy if you had to base it purely on the economic performance of democratic regimes in terms of growth and equal distribution?
6. What is most distinctive about democracy is that its examination never gets over. Support the statement.
7. Explain the most basic outcome of democracy.
8. Democracy stands much superior to any other form of government in promoting dignity and freedom of the individual'. Give examples to justify the statement.
9. What are the differences between democracy and dictatorship? Give three examples.
10. Is economic growth in democracies accompanied by increased inequalities among the people?
11. How does democracy produce an accountable, responsive and legitimate government?
12. What are the conditions under which democracies accommodate social diversities?
13. Industrialised countries can afford democracy but the poor need dictatorship to become rich. Do you agree? Give arguments to support your answer.
14. The government in poor countries should spend less on poverty reduction, health, education and spend more on industries and infrastructure. Do you agree? Give arguments to justify your answer.
15. In a democracy, all citizens have one vote, which means that there is the absence of any domination and conflict. Yes or No? Answer and Justify.
16. Following a High Court directive, a temple in Orissa that had separate entry doors for Dalits and Non-Dalits allowed entry for all from the same door. Suggest policy/institutional mechanism to deepen democracy in this situation.
17. Democracy can't reduce inequality of incomes between different citizens. Do you agree? Give an argument to support your answer.
18. Democracies have successfully eliminated conflicts among people. True or False?
19. In the context of assessing democracy which among the following is the odd one out. Democracies need to ensure:
  - A) free and fair elections
  - B) dignity of the individual
  - C)majority rule
  - D)equal treatment before the law
20. Studies on political and social inequalities in democracy show that inequalities do not exist under a dictatorship. True or False?