

Question Bank for BA Prog. History VI Sem

Paper: Cultural Transformations of Early Modern Europe (1500-1800) II

1. Explain with reference the view that the Scientific Revolution brought about a great change in the notion about nature and universe.
2. The development of the scientific method led to the breaking of earlier notions of nature of things. Comment.
3. Scientific Revolution brought Europe on the verge of modernity. Comment.
4. What do you understand by Enlightenment? Briefly present the views of the major philosophers of the 18th century Europe.
5. Discuss the effects of Enlightenment on the political and intellectual life of Europe.
6. Discuss the notion of social contract on the basis of your comparative reading of Rousseau, Thomas Hobbes and John Locke's writings.
7. Trace the development of literature in Europe during 1660 to 1760.
8. Analyze the status of women during the early modern period.
9. Trace the important changes that occurred in the institutions of family and marriage during the early modern Europe.
10. Write a critical essay on the changing mentalities during the period of your study in the context of E.P. Thompson's article.
11. With special reference to Russia, describe the causes and nature of peasant movements in Eastern Europe during the period of absolutism.
12. What led to the decline of magic and rise of witch hunting during the period of your study?