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Previous Year Questions

Emotional Intelligence — GS-IV

Previous Year Questions (verbatim, official syllabus)

8 Questions

Year range: 2013–2023

Verbatim from official UPSC papers

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Concepts of emotional intelligence

2023 GS-IV 10M · 150W

Q2. "What really matters for success, character, happiness and lifelong achievements is a definite set of emotional skills — your EQ — not just purely cognitive abilities that are measured by conventional IQ tests." Do you agree with this view? Give reasons in support of your answer.

2020 GS-IV 10M · 150W

Q6. Hatred is destructive of a person's wisdom and conscience that can poison a nation's spirit. Do you agree with this view? Justify your answer.

2020 GS-IV 10M · 150W

Q7. What are the main components of emotional intelligence (EI)? Can they be learned? Discuss.

2019 GS-IV 10M · 150W

Q3. "Emotional Intelligence is the ability to make your emotions work for you instead of against you". Do you agree with this view? Discuss.

2016 GS-IV 10M · 150W

Q6. Anger is a harmful negative emotion. It is injurious to both personal life and work life. a) Discuss how it leads to negative emotions and undesirable behaviours. b) How can it be managed and controlled?

2013 GS-IV 10M · 150W

Q4. What is 'emotional intelligence' and how can it be developed in people? How does it help an individual in taking ethical decisions?

Utilities and application in administration and governance

2021 GS-IV 10M · 150W

Q7. In case of crisis of conscience does emotional intelligence help to overcome the same without compromising the ethical or moral stand that you are likely to follow? Critically examine.

2017 GS-IV 10M · 150W

Q8. How will you apply emotional intelligence in administrative practices?