

Q. 1 Which of these was the most salient underlying conflict in the making of a democratic constitution in South Africa?

Ans. (C) Between the white majority and the black minority.

2. Which of these is a provision that a democratic constitution does not have?

Ans. (B) Name of the head of the state.

3. Here are some false statements. Identify the mistake in each case and rewrite these correctly based on what you have read in this chapter.

(a) Leaders of the freedom movement had an open mind about whether the country should be democratic or not after independence.

Ans. Leaders of the freedom movement had a consensus that the country should be a democratic nation after independence.

(b) Members of the Constituent Assembly of India held the same views on all provisions of the constitution.

Ans. Members of the constituent Assembly of India held the same views on the basic principles of the constitution.

(c) A country that has a constitution must be a democracy.

Ans. A country that is a democracy must have a constitution.

(d) Constitution cannot be amended because it is the supreme law of a country.

Ans. Constitution can be amended to keep up with the changes in aspirations of the society.



Q.4 Match the following leaders with their roles in the making of constitution.

Ans. students do yourself.

Q.5 Read again the extracts from Nehru's Speech "Tryst with Destiny" and answer the following.

(A) Why did Nehru use the expression "not wholly or in full measure" in the first sentence?

Ans. because according to him the task of building a nation is a gargantuan task which cannot be fulfilled in one's lifetime.

(B) What pledge did he want the makers of the Indian Constitution to take?

Ans. The pledge that he wanted the makers of the Indian Constitution to take was to dedicate their ~~all~~ lives to the service of India, the Indian people and the humanity at large.

(C) "The ambition of the greatest man of our generation has been to wipe every tear from every eye" who was he referring to?

Ans. He was referring to Mahatma Gandhi