

ESSAY TEST

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History
Comparison Britishers
Hitler - disunity
Gandhi - unity

Pol - N. Korea.

Eds.
Independence struggle.

Society - Religious leaders
Sadhu Guru Govind Day

Influences → Ronaldo. misleading advertisements.

Family as a unit → patriarchy.
↳ Geeta & Babita Phogat

Administrators
- Ranbir Sharma.
- Mani Baiya.

Tech controllers → Fb : issue
Fraser Haugen.
↓
crime hotspot in Delhi.

✳ MNCs → Tata. plutocracy.

Govt - anarchy - emergency.
↳ restrictions

Intro

power corrupts

explain.

greatness
virtue
character.

Conclusion



Write an essay, choosing one from Section A in about 1000-1200 words.

Section A

1. Social media is more about psychology than technology.
2. The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it.
3. It is always the simple that produces marvelous.
4. The measure of a man is what he does with Power.

A)

The measure of a man is what he does with Power

"Power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely"

Throughout history, we have witnessed great leaders who have wielded immense power over others.

They had the ability to influence others and their course of action either through coercion or by way of ideological hegemony.

While holding power is

Good use of quote.

important, what one does with that power is more important. A person's character is determined by the way they utilize their power — in constructive or destructive ways.

This can be understood by taking a journey through history. During colonial times, the Britishers wielded political power over Indians. The exploitation and atrocities done by them have led them to be remembered as 'imperialists'. The misuse of political power has reduced the once, ^{known as} 'great empire' to colonialists.

Similarly, we have seen



'men' of considerable authority wield power over entire nations. However, how they go down in history, the manner in which they are remembered — all come to be determined as to how they used their power.

One of the greatest examples is that of Adolf Hitler. He had immense respect in Germany, he was seen as a 'hope' by many. However, he decided to use his power in the most destructive way society has ever witnessed — he used his authority to promote anti-Semitism, a hatred against Jews. The horrors of Auschwitz can never be forgotten. His misuse of power



led to his decline and that of his nation as well.

On the other hand, during the same time, Mahatma Gandhi wielded authority over Indians. However, this power was not a result of coercion, rather emanated from the will of the people out of lt respect. Gandhi used his authority to unite the diverse sections of Indian society and led them towards the path of freedom by using his tool of 'ahimsa'. Today his greatness is well known, his virtuous character is praised worldwide.

This clearly shows that only answering power does



not ensure greatness, what one does with it matters. It is rightly said — "with great power comes great responsibility".

Even today, power is confined in the hands of government. The ways in which they utilise their authority over others shape their character view. For instance, the dictatorship prevalent in North Korea is criticized worldwide. While the leader is able to impose his will on others, the greatness attributed to him is forced and hence it is only a farce.

Indian leaders, on the other hand, have used their



poweres responsibly to promote a more inclusive and equitable society.

The bestowing of various 'legions of honour' ^{on Indian leaders} is a result of the responsible use of power. Their greatness is not demanded, rather voluntarily given by others.

~~Similarly,~~ It is important to understand that power itself is diffused rather than concentrated. While political power is one of the many facets of power, the ways in which other sources of power are used also determine the measure of a man.

For instance, today, religious leaders also have the



capability to influence a large number of their followers. They have huge followings worldwide and are often regarded as the epitome of 'truth'. However, today we witness dilution of values among these leaders.

For instance, many 'Babal' have been arrested for sexual exploitation of children. It reflects the kind of men they are — one who has power but no principle. It erodes the trust of followers. However, we also have instances whereby religious leaders have used their influence to promote harmony and scientific thinking. Gopal Baur is one such religious leader and is respected worldwide.

The manner in which we exercise authority, thus, determines our standing among others. This can also be seen among 'influencers'.

They hold power to influence decision making among consumers.

Some use this power to promote misleading advertisements or etc goods. While they may still have a large following, they are often seen as unethical.

Some, on the other hand, use their power to guide individuals towards a healthy lifestyle. For instance, removing a soft drink bottle and replacing it with water by the footballer Ronaldo was an act praised by many. He used his authority to promote good in



society — a clear reflection of its character.

Similarly, many Multinational companies have power over their huge worker population. While some only use their authority to promote mindless capitalism, others use it for ethical capitalism. For instance, Tatas are known for their philanthropy. They have used their economic power to promote welfare of their workers. Thus, while India is home to many industrialists, the reverent attitude towards Tata industries is unmatched. The manner in which they used their power, shows their social standing.

Power is not only vested in huge MNCs, it is also held in

the hands of individuals. For instance, Bureaucrats. Today, administrators hold considerable authority over citizens. Sadly, the power hangover has taken a toll on their character - for example, Ranbir Sharma slapping a boy for arguing.

However, officers like Mauli Basila have used their power for upliftment of others and are hence respected. In both cases the officers had equal power - what is done with that power determines the measure of an individual.

Authority is also exercised in small social settings like family. In India, within a family the patriarch wields the power. While

some use their power to stifle others
dreams, some use it to empower
others

For instance, father of Phogat
sisters, while living in a patriarchal
society, encouraged his daughters
to venture into new fields. He used
his position of authority to empower
his daughters rather than stifle them.
It reflects his character as a
man — he used his authority
responsibly.

Today, power has become
diffused. It is present in hands
of individuals as well as concentrated
in corporates. It matters less
who holds the power, what is
important is how power is used.

One standing depends on

the manner of exercising power,
our greatness determined on what
we do with power.

Nietzsche — man can forget the loss of
his father but not that of property of
power.

power to use & control fire — early age
— today used to destroy forests.

- power restraint
nuclear power.

- state is great which has min. power — Gandhi'
Chandrayaan etc — Shiv Shakti.