



Important MCQs



# Books & Authors 2020-21



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Late former President of India Shri Pranab Mukherjee released an autobiography titled 'Relentless'. Who is the author of the book?

- A. Shashi Tharoor
- B. Yashwant Sinha
- C. Devendra Fadnavis
- D. Arun Shourie

**Points to Know (PTN):**

The book describes Sinha's journey from normal life to a high political powered life. He also served as finance minister from March 1998 to July 2002 under the then Prime Minister late Atal Bihari Vajpayee.



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Identify the theme of the 28th edition of the “New Delhi World Book Fair 2020 (NDWBF 2020)”.

- A. Gandhi: The Writers’ Writer
- B. Gandhi: The Unmatched Writer
- C. Gandhi: The Legacy
- D. Gandhi: Books and Literature

**PTN:**

The theme of NDWBF 2020 book fair was ‘Gandhi: TheWriters’ Writer’ ’ celebrating 150 years of Mahatma Gandhi’s birth.

Name the author of the book, 'Lady, You're the Boss'?

A. Kiran Desai

B. Anita Nair

C. Apurva Purohit

D. Sudha Murty

**PTN:**

Apurva Purohit is the President of the Jagran Group. 'Lady, You're the Boss' draws from Apurva Purohit's personal experiences, and reveals how women minimise themselves, suffer from the imposter syndrome, and settle for less.

Union Minister Nitin Gadkari presented a copy of the book 'Invincible – A Tribute to Manohar Parrikar' to President Ram Nath Kovind. The book is authored by?

A. Rajnath Singh

B. Shantanu Gupta

C. Amitav Ghosh

D. Tarun Vijay

**PTN:**

It was released by defence minister Rajnath Singh and is about the life of late former defence minister Manohar Parrikar.

Name the author of the book “Messiah Modi: A Tale of Great Expectations”.

- A. Divita Mathur
- B. Tavleen Singh
- C. Rajdeep Sardesai
- D. Divya Singh

**PTN:**

She writes about the 2019 verdict, and her own inability to get it right, she sees that she and her ilk have been swept to the margins of India; the masses of India speak in one voice, and that voice chants ‘Modi’.

Name the author of the book “How Contagion Works: Science, Awareness, And Community In Times Of Global Crisis”?

A. Paolo Giordano

B. Orhan Pamuk

C. Yuval Noah Harari

D. None of these

**PTN:**

The book explores the crisis through the lens of science and society. It was shared millions of times online and is thought to have changed the debate around the coronavirus.

Sports journalist, V. Krishnaswamy, authored a book about the ace shuttler, P.V. Sindhu. Name the book.

- A. Shuttling to the Top: The Story of P.V. Sindhu
- B. The GOAT: P.V. Sindhu
- C. Follow your Passion: P.V. Sindhu's journey to the top
- D. None of these

**PTN:**

The book narrates the journey of badminton player PV Sindhu, from her early life to becoming a world champion and what lies ahead.



Name the author of the book, “How the Onion got its layers”?

A. Sarojini Naidu

B. Arundhati Roy

C. Sudha Murty

D. Shobhaa De

**PTN:**

It's a children book which seeks to answer several questions related to the bulb like its many layers and why it brings tears to the eyes when cut.

Name the ministry which launched #MyBookMyFriendcampaign on world book day.

A. Health Ministry

B. Ministry of Education

C. Finance Ministry

D. Ministry of child welfare

**PTN:**

The students must read some books of interest in addition to course books so that they will be given the opportunity to learn something new.

Name the author of the book “Wuhan Diary: Dispatches from a Quarantined City”?

A. Mo Yan

B. Hua Yu

C. Fang Fang

D. Mao Dun

**PTN:**

This book is a compilation of online diary entries and social media posts that document 60 days of lockdown during COVID-19.

On his 86<sup>th</sup> birthday, famous writer Ruskin Bond released his new book named \_\_\_\_\_?

- A. The Treasure Hunt
- B. Hop On: My Adventures on Boats, Trains and Planes
- C. My Childhood Adventures
- D. Going to my Adventures on Boats, Trains and Planes

**PTN:**

More books in 2020: A Song of India, Miracle At Happy Bazaar.

“Legend of Suheldev: The King Who Saved India” is the new book by \_\_\_\_\_?

A. Amish Tripathi

B. Chetan Bhagat

C. R.K. Narayan

D. Vikram Seth

Name the author of the book “The Ickabog”?

A. Dan Brown

B. J.R.R Tolkien

C. J.K. Rowling

D. George R. R. Martin

**PTN:**

It is her first book aimed at children since "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows."

The former governor of RBI, Urjit Patel authored which of the following books recently?

- A. The fault lines
- B. Solving the economic crisis
- C. Overdraft: Saving the Indian Saver
- D. None

**PTN:**

The book focusses on the non-performing assets (NPAs) issue that has caused huge distress to the country's banking sector. It also highlights the causes of NPAs and the efforts of Urjit Patel to deal with the issue as the Governor of RBI.

Which of these famous horror writers released their new book “If It Bleeds” recently?

A. Clive Barker

B. Dean Koontz

C. Anne Rice

D. Stephen King

**PTN:**

The book has the story centres around a bomb at Albert Macready Middle School. It is a sequel to his bestselling work, “The Outsider”.





Who among the following famous Australian cricketers published the book titled “The Spirit of Cricket - India”?

A. Adam Gilchrist

B. Steve Waugh

C. Ricky Ponting

D. Glenn McGrath

**PTN:**

It is a photobook in which Steve chose to showcase his favourite 220 photographs from his collection of thousands of images clicked in India.

“Quest for Restoring Financial Stability in India” is the book written by which of the following former Deputy Governor of Reserve Bank of India?

A. Micheal Patra

B. B.P. Kanungo

C. M.K. Jain

D. Viral Acharya

**PTN:**

This book is a summary of what he learned by trying to direct economic policy, drawing on his prolific work in Finance and Economics.

Which of the following books by written by Avni Doshi were longlisted for the 2020 Booker Prize?

- A. Girl in White Cotton
- B. The Wet Paper
- C. Burnt Sugar
- D. Both A and C

**PTN:**

Her debut novel Burnt Sugar (Hamish Hamilton, 2020) published in India by Fourth Estate as Girl in White Cotton was longlisted for the 2020 Booker Prize.

Chetan Bhagat's latest book released in September 2020 is titled \_\_\_\_\_?

- A. One Arranged Murder
- B. The Murder Mystery
- C. The Suicide
- D. The Girl in Room 105

**PTN:**

It is the author's 9th novel and 11th book overall. His last release was The Girl in Room 105.

Who has bagged 2020 International Booker Prize for the book 'The Discomfort of Evening'?

- A. Olga Tokarczuk
- B. Jokha Alharthi
- C. Marieke Lucas Rijneveld
- D. Annie Ernaux

**PTN:**

29-year-old Dutch author Marieke Lucas Rijneveld and translated from Dutch by Michele Hutchison, has been announced as the winner of The 2020 International Booker Prize. Rijneveld has become is the youngest author to win the prestigious award.

“The Presidential Years” is the book authored by which of the following former Presidents of India?

A. APJ Abdul Kalam

B. Pratibha Patil

C. Pranab Mukherjee

D. Ram Nath Kovind

**PTN:**

'The Presidential Years' would be the fourth to be authored by Mukherjee, who passed away on August 31, 2020 at a hospital in New Delhi at the age of 84.



Who is the author of the book, “The Commonwealth of Cricket: A Lifelong Love Affair with the Most Subtle and Sophisticated Game Known to Humankind”

- A. Romila Thapar
- B. Ramachandra Guha
- C. Bipin Chandra
- D. Irfan Habib

**PTN:**

Expected Release: November 2020

The book traces the entire arc of the game in India, across all levels at which it is played: school, college, club, state and country and also present vivid portraits of local heroes, provincial icons, and international stars.

Who is the author of the book, “Death; An Inside Story”?

- A. Sadhguru
- B. Paramahansa Yogananda
- C. Deepak Chopra
- D. Ram Dass

**PTN:**

In this unique treatise-like exposition, Sadhguru dwells extensively upon his inner experience as he expounds on the more profound aspects of death that are rarely spoken about.



Barack Obama memoir \_\_\_\_\_ is set to hit the bookstores in November 2020.

- A. The Great American Dream
- B. A Promised Land
- C. Black Lives Matter
- D. The Land of Dreams: America

**PTN:**

The 768-page book, “A Promised Land,” will be the first of two volumes, this one encompassing parts of his early political life, his presidential campaign in 2008 and ending with the death of Osama bin Laden in 2011.



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“Checkmate: How the BJP Won and Lost Maharashtra” is the book authored by who among the following?

- A. Shantanu Gupta
- B. Arun Shourie
- C. Hemant Kirar
- D. Sudhir Suryavanshi

**PTN:**

The Book explained what went around in Maharashtra after none of the parties could secure a full majority.

## Assignment:

1. Who authored the book titled “The India Way: Strategies for an Uncertain World”?
2. Name the author of the book “Think Like A Monk”.
3. Who is the author of “Memoirs and Misinformation”?
4. Bloomsbury refused to publish which book on Delhi riots after social media backlash?

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