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Ans to the qus no-1

Anthropology is the study of human beings and their societies in the past and present. It is concerned with both the biological and social aspects of the human experience. Cultural Anthropology is ideally positioned to respond to some of the most pressing issues of our time, in no small part due to the unique intellectual legacy informing our practice as scholars and researchers. While today

there are many possible epistemological and methodological orientations shaping the work of cultural anthropologists, we converge on the core emphasis placed on ethnographic fieldwork, participant observation, through in depth, sustained, immersive and critically reflective study. cultural anthropology defines its object of study as the broad domain of human social life where the material and symbolic, historical and experiential facets of life come into play.

Culture encompasses religion, food, what we wear how we wear it, our language, marriage, music and is different all over the world. Culture is the characteristics and knowledge of a particular group of people, religion, cuisine social habits, music and arts. Cultural change is essentially the adoption or change of values, beliefs, and behaviours experienced in a group, such as a society, community or

organisation. There are many reasons for a change in culture, whether situational or deliberate.

For example, the invention of innovative technology can change the way individuals in society behave, such as the invention of the smartphone, the automobile and the internet. New knowledge and scientific discoveries may also change cultures.

Some changes to cultural aspects may be deliberate, such

such as an organisation wanting to improve its culture.

Ans to the qus no-4

Human evolution is the lengthy process of change by which people originated from apelike ancestors. Scientific evidence shows that the physical and behavioral traits shared by all people originated from apelike ancestors and evolved over a period of approximately six million years. Scientists have discovered a wealth of evidence comes in many forms. Thousands of human

Fossils enable researchers and students to study the change that occurred in brain and body size, locomotion, diet and other aspects regarding the way of life of early human species over the past six million years. Study of human genetics show how closely related we are to other primates in fact, how connected we are with all other organisms and can indicate the prehistoric migrations of our species, Homo sapiens, all over the world. Advances in the dating of fossils and artifacts

help determine the age of those remains, which contributes to the big picture of when different milestones in becoming human evolved.

Ans to the qus no-5

Language plays an important role in communication by enabling us to ask questions, provide answers, communicate thoughts and desires and understand the expression and feeling of others. It is a system of vocal symbols used for human communication and helps to develop, elaborate, and transmit

culture. Language has the power to build strong relationships, foster trust and create a feeling of connection, leading to improved relationships in both personal and professional settings. It is a source of communication that helps us express and convey our thoughts, feelings and emotions. Language is also a complex system of symbols that is the source of human thoughts and creates universal brotherhood. Language is an essential tool that helps us make sense

of the world around us and communicate with others. It can be used to share information, express emotions, connect people from different backgrounds and much more. From its ability to create understanding between individuals to its power to foster relationships, understanding the importance of language is key for successful interactions.