

Mahatma Gandhi **Answers**

1. When was Gandhi born?

Gandhi was born on 2nd October 1869.

2. Which god did Gandhi's mother worship?

Gandhi's mother worshipped the God Vishnu.

3. How would you describe apartheid?

Apartheid means that people who were not white were not treated fairly. They weren't allowed in some shops. Accept similar answers.

4. Why was Gandhi told to leave a train?

Gandhi was told to leave a train because he was Indian /not white.

5. What sort of protests did Gandhi believe in?

Gandhi believed in non-violent peaceful protests.

6. Why was Gandhi put in prison in March 1922?

Gandhi was put in prison because he was telling Indian people not to buy British things.

7. Why did the British decide to help improve the lives of the poorer people?

The British decided they would help improve the lives of the poorer people because they were afraid there could be a war. Accept similar answers.

8. Explain what type of person Gandhi was and your reasons for your explanation.

Accept reasonable answers: I think Gandhi was a good person because he tried to help people who were not white when they were being treated so unfairly by the British masters / he stood up for what he believed in / he did not want anyone to get hurt.

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1. What area of India was Gandhi born?

Gandhi was born in the Gujarat area of North West India.

2. Describe which two events made Gandhi realise that he was being treated differently in South Africa.

Once, Gandhi was removed from a train because he was not white. Another time, he was asked to take off his turban in court. He refused and left the courtroom.

3. What do you think it was like for non-white people living in South Africa?

Accept reasonable answers e.g. I think it would have been very hard for non-white people living in South Africa because they were not allowed to go in some shops. This was because they were not white and they were kept apart from white people.

4. What sort of protests did Gandhi believe in?

Gandhi believed in non-violent political protests.

5. Why did the people call Gandhi 'Mahatma'?

Accept similar answers: The people called Gandhi 'Mahatma' because he encouraged people to stand up for themselves and their rights, and they were grateful that he was trying to help them / They saw him as a voice for freedom and fairness.

6. What were the British masters afraid of? Explain your reasons.

Accept similar answers: The British masters were afraid that there could be a war because Gandhi was becoming famous and there were so many people who agreed with him.

7. What changed as a result of Gandhi's protests?

The British masters made some changes improving the lives of some of the poorer people.

8. Who killed Gandhi?

Nathuram Godse killed Gandhi.

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1. What did the Jain teachings tell people about how they should treat living things?
Jain teachings taught people not to cause injury to living things.
2. When did Gandhi become interested in religion?
Gandhi first became interested in religion when he was studying in London.
3. Explain in your own words what **apartheid** was.
Accept reasonable answers e.g. Apartheid was when white people were treated better than non- white people. Apartheid was when non- white people were not allowed to do things or go to some places that white people could.
4. Why do you think Gandhi was upset by apartheid?
Accept reasonable answers e.g. I think Gandhi was upset by apartheid because he was Indian and was being treated differently. I think Gandhi was upset by apartheid because he knew it was so unfair that people were treated differently just because of the colour of their skin.
5. What sort of protests did Gandhi encourage people to carry out?
Gandhi encouraged people to carry out non- violent political protests.
6. Explain why you think the British masters disliked Gandhi.
Accept reasonable answers e.g. I think the British masters disliked Gandhi because he was encouraging people to stand up for themselves and this caused problems for them. I think the British masters disliked Gandhi because so many people agreed with him and they were worried it might start a war.
7. What did the Indian people think of Gandhi?
The Indian people liked Gandhi and saw him as their voice for freedom and fairness.
8. What changes did the British masters make because of Gandhi's protests?
The British masters made some changes and improved the lives of some of the poorer people.