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Exercises

Ques 1. Match the following:

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(ii) Magadha	b) Hunting and gathering
(iii) Gora hills	c) Cities about 2500
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(iv) Indus and its	d) Early agriculture
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Ques 2. List one major difference between manuscripts and inscriptions.







Inscriptions

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Ans:

Manuscripts	Inscriptions
1. Manuscripts are the	1. Inscriptions are
old books that give	engraved from of
handwritten accounts.	writing used for various
	purposes.
2. These were written	2. These were written
on leaves and barks or	on hard surfaces. E.g.
trees.	stones.

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Ques 3. Return to Rasheed's question. Can you think of some answers to it?

Ans: One can know what had happened so many years ago through these ways:

1.



- Manuscripts

3.

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2



Inscriptions

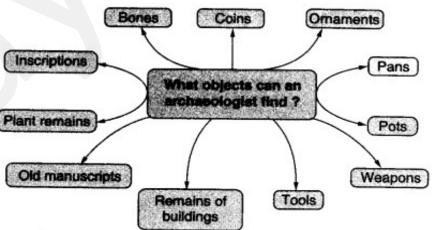


- Old objects recovered from excavations

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Ques 4. Make a list of as. the objects that archaeologists may find. Which of these could be made of stone?

Ans: The answer can be summarized through this flow diagram:



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What objects can an Archaeologists find?







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The ones that could be made of stone are

- 1. Surface used for writing inscriptions
- 2. Remains of buildings
- 3. Objects like tools, weapons, etc.

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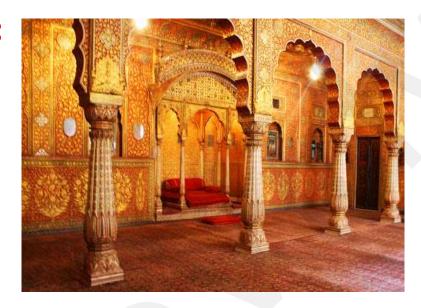
Ques 5. Why do you think ordinary men and women did not generally keep records of what they did?

Ans: Ordinary men and women did not feel the need of recording what they did. Also, they lacked proper writing methods.

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Ques 6. Describe at least two ways in which you think the lives of kings would have been different from those of farmers.

Ans:





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Ans: The lives of kings would have different from those of farmers in some ways like these:

- 1. The kings set up large kingdoms whereas the farmers' life was not like theirs.
- 2. The farmers did not keep records of what they did whereas the kings kept records of their battles and their victories.

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Ques 7. Find the word 'crafts persons' on page of textbook. In list at least five different crafts that you know about today. Are the crafts persons—
(a) men (b) women (c) both men and women?

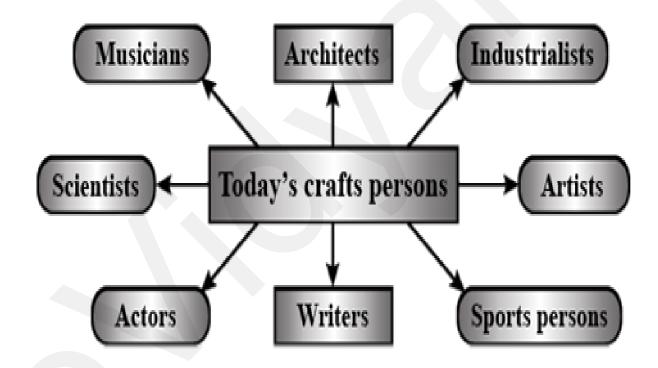




Ans: These crafts persons are both men and women.

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The various crafts that dominate the present life are listed here:









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Ques 8. What were the subjects on which books were written in the past? Which of these would you like to read?

Ans: Ancient books covered subjects like:

- (i) Religious beliefs and practices
- (ii) Lives of kings
- (iii) Medicine

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- (iv) Science
- (v) Poetry
- (vi) Drama
- (vii) Epics

It would be really interesting to read the epics of the past. The Ramayana, The Mahabharata and the Upanishads are some of the religious epics of the past.