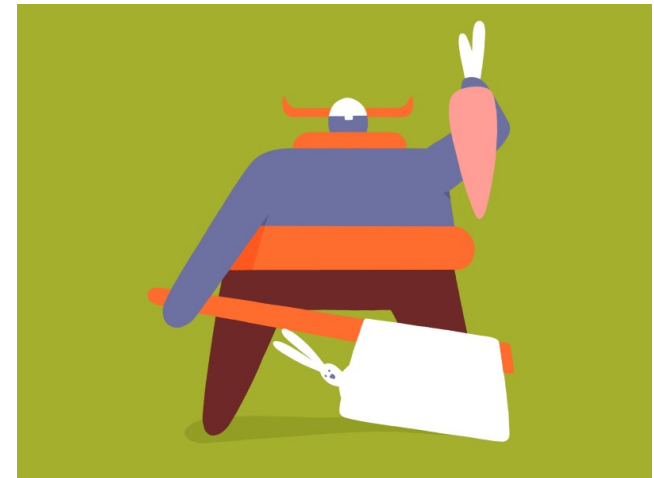
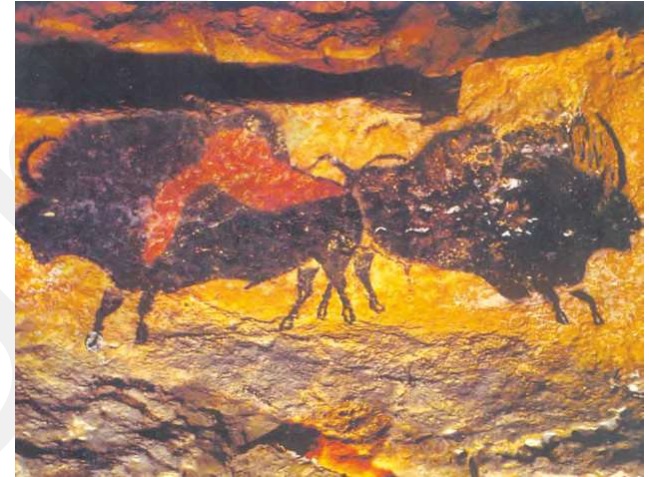


CLASS VI

FROM HUNTING – GATHERING TO GROWING FOOD

CHAPTER – 2
(question answer)

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Exercises

1. Complete the sentences.

(a) Hunter-gatherers chose to live in caves and rock shelters because _____.

(b) Grasslands developed around _____ years ago.

Ans:

a) They found protection from extreme climate conditions like heat, rain, storms etc.

b) 12,000

2. Why do people who grow crops have to stay in the same place for a long time?

Ans:



Crops

People growing crops have to stay in the same place for a long time since the crops require maintenance, like constant watering and care for proper growth.

3. Why do archaeologists think that many people who lived in Mehrgarh were hunters to start with and that herding became more important later?

Ans:

Mehrgarh



On excavation, archaeologists have found bones of wild animals in the lowermost levels. On upper levels, they found cattle bones. This means that hunting wild animals was important much before herding was.

4. Why did the hunter-gatherers travel from place to place? In what ways are these similar to/different from the reasons for which we travel today?



Hunter - gatherers

Ans: There are 4 reasons

1. They would have eaten up all the plant and animal resources.
2. Animals move from place to place, hence they had to follow their movements.

- 3) Plants and trees bear fruits in different seasons. So, people may have moved from season to season, in search of different kinds of plants.
- 4) They need water to survive and many rivers and lakes were seasonal. So, they had to go in search of water during dry seasons.

5. List three ways in which hunter-gatherers used fire (see page 15). Would you use fire for any of these purposes today?

Ans: It was primarily used for 3 purposes.

1.



- Clearing forest area

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- Cooking

3.



- For protection from wild animals

6. List 3 ways in which the lives of farmers and herders would have been different from that of hunter-gatherers.

Ans:



Farmers and Herders

- 1.** Farmers and herders would stay in one location; whereas hunter-gatherers would have to move from place to place, following the movement of animals.
- 2.** Farmers and herders would stay in huts or houses, whereas hunter-gatherers would stay in caves.

3. For farmers and herders, the food source would be crops and domesticated animals like sheep, goat; whereas hunters would rely on wild animals as a source of food.