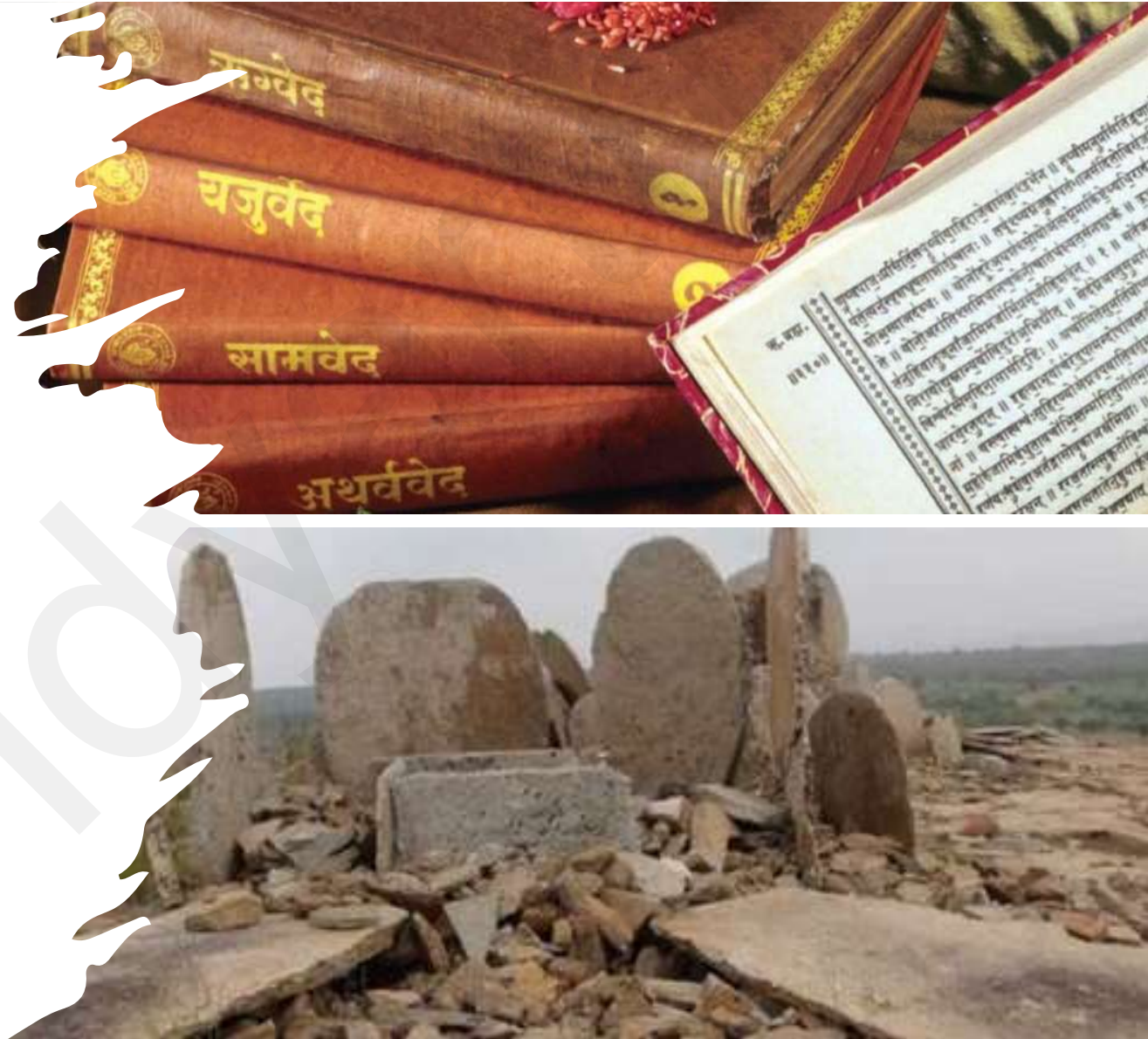


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CHAPTER – 4
(Question – answer)

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Exercises

1. Match the columns:

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2. Complete the sentences:

- (a) Slaves were used for.....
- (b) Megaliths are found in.....
- (c) Stone circles or boulders on the surface were used to.....

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(d) Port-holes were used for.....

(e) People at Inamgaon ate

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- a) various kinds of work
- b) the Deccan, south India, in the north-east and Kashmir
- c) point out the exact place of burial.
- d) burying other members of the same family into the same grave.
- e) wheat, barley, rice, pulses, millets, peas, sesame, meat, and fruits like ber, amla, jamun, dates and berries.

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3. In what ways are the books we read today different from the Rig-Veda ?

Ans:



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Ans:

The most important points of difference between the Rig-Veda and the modern books is that today books are written and read. The Vedas, instead, were memorized by students, and later passed on to the later generations by speaking, listening and then memorizing.

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4. What kind of evidence from burials do archaeologists use to find out whether there were social differences amongst those who were buried?

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Ans:

The objects found in graves are usually different. Some skeletons were buried with a great number of pots, ornaments, and a lot of offerings. Some with just a few of them.

Archaeologists have thus concluded that people were buried with objects depending upon their status.

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5. In what ways do you think that the life of a 'raja' was different from that of a 'dasa' or 'dasi'?

Ans: In the society, 'raja' was one of the highest civil positions. 'Rajas' were the kings of the community, whereas the 'dasas'/'dasis' were the lowest position in society. The 'dasas'/'dasis' were slaves who were used for work. They were treated as the property of their owners. They were captured in war.

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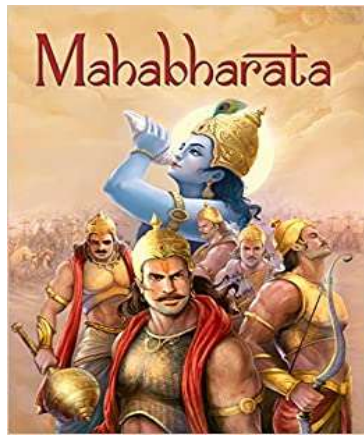
6. Find out whether your school library has a collection of books on religion, and list the names of five books from this collection.

Ans: Do yourself with the help of your subject-teacher and school librarian. A sample set of five such books:

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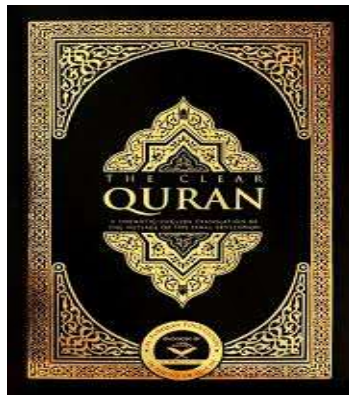
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1.



The Mahabharata

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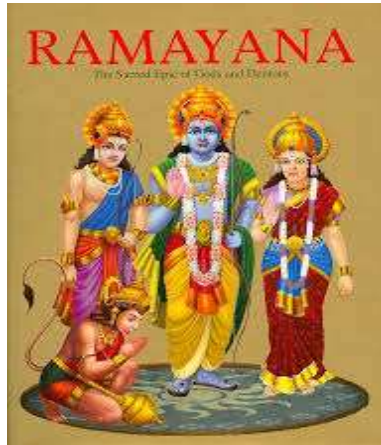
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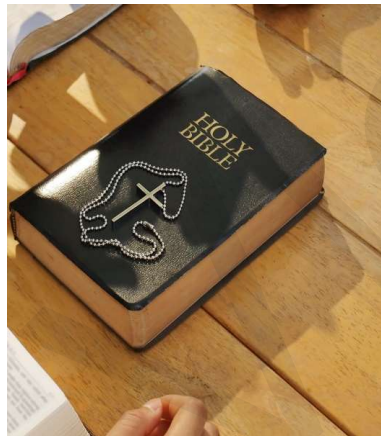
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The Ramayana

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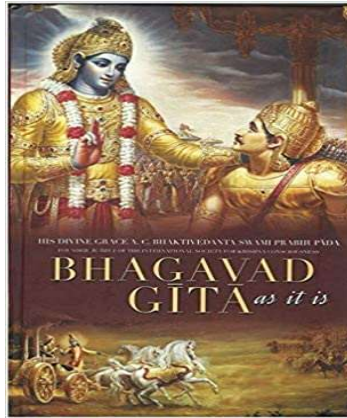
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5.



The Bhagwad Gita

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