

Chapter 10: Historic Period

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Answer the following question in one sentence.

Where did the people in the New Stone Age establish their village settlements?

SOLUTION

The people in the New Stone Age established their village-settlements on the banks of rivers.

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Answer the following question in one sentence.

What articles were the Harappan craftsmen skilled at making?

SOLUTION

The Harappan craftsmen were highly skilled in making bronze objects and beads from semi-precious stones of different colours.

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Answer the following question in brief.

What are some of the well-known characteristics of Harappan cities?

SOLUTION

The well-known characteristics of Harappan cities are :

1. Systematic town planning.
2. The houses were built in blocks created by parallel roads that crossed each other at right angles.
3. Huge granaries and spacious houses.
4. Concern for public hygiene indicated by bathrooms and latrines in every house and a covered drainage system.
5. Carefully constructed private and public wells.
6. City divided into two to four parts, each having a separate fortification.

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Answer the following question in brief.

What made the soil on the banks of the Nile fertile?

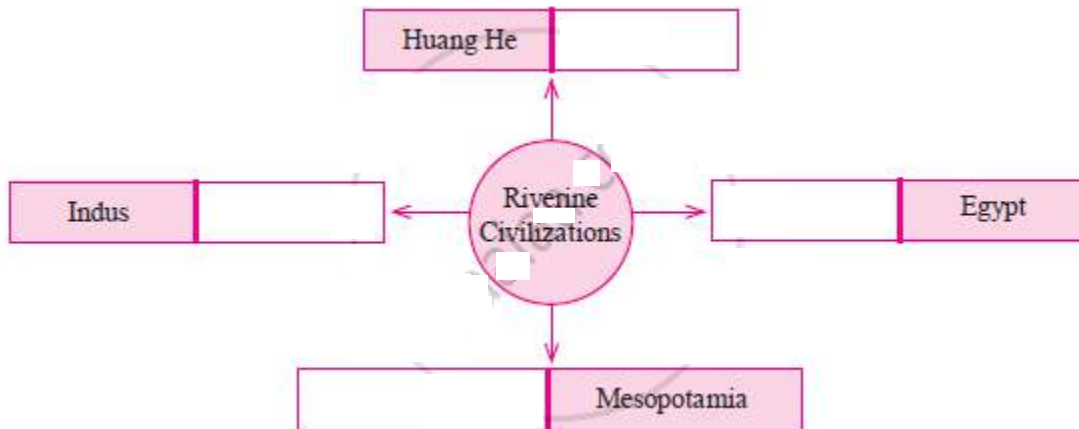
SOLUTION

1. The river Nile gets flooded every year.
2. The land along her banks has become very fertile due to flood deposits.
3. Small embankments were built on the river to store the floodwater.

4. After the soil in the flood water settled to the bottom, the water was used for irrigation.

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Complete the following chart.



SOLUTION

