

## The Neolithic Revolution

### E. Long-answer questions:

1. How did people's lives change as they began to domesticate plants and animals during the Neolithic period?
2. Discuss the main differences between life in the Palaeolithic period and life in the Neolithic period.

## Solutions

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1. During the Neolithic period, people's lives changed immensely. They built huts near water sources. They also learnt how to make the things required for farming, tools for tilling the land, baskets for gathering crops and pots for storing food. With effective food production, a whole series of crafts made their appearance. Pots and containers were made to suit different needs. Pottery was made by hand and baked in a bonfire. They made vessels to hold grain, bowls for eating and cooking. Rearing animals had numerous advantages. Goats and cows gave them milk. Also, animals multiply naturally. They killed the animals when food was required. So, they did not have to go hunting all the time. This meant that people always had meat to eat and milk to drink as well as fur and skin to make clothes. Thus animals provided for many needs of the Neolithic man

2.

Palaeolithic Man	Neolithic man
Hunter- Gatherers	Began Farming
No animal rearing	Animal rearing
Used heavy and blunt stones as tools	Made light and sharp tools
Did not know the use of wheel	Invented and used the wheel
Nomadic, moved from place to place	Settled and lived in huts