

Social Science

(History)(Chapter – 10) (Building, Paintings and Books)
(Class – VI)

Exercises

Let's recall

Question 1:

Match the following

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Shikhara	Mound
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Question 2:

Fill in the blanks:

- (a) _____ was a great astronomer.
(b) Stories about gods and goddesses are found in the _____.
(c) _____ is recognised as the author of the Sanskrit Ramayana.
(d) _____ and _____ are two Tamil epics.

Answer 2:

- (a) *Aryabhata* was a great astronomer.
(b) Stories about gods and goddesses are found in the *Purana*
(c) *Valmiki* is recognised as the author of the Sanskrit Ramayana.
(d) *Silappadikaram* and *Manimekalai* are two Tamil epics.

Let's discuss

Question 3:

Make a list of the chapters in which you find mention of metal working. What are the metals objects mentioned or shown in those chapters?

Answer 3:

Chapters 4, 7, 8 mentioned metal working. Various metal objects mentioned in those chapters were axe, ploughshare, sickle and sword. These metal objects were used for different purposes.

➤ Sickle	Farming
➤ Sword	Wars
➤ Axe	Cutting wood
➤ Ploughshare	farming

Question 4:

Read the story on page 104 . In what ways is the monkey king similar to or different from the kings you read about in Chapters 5 and 9 ?

Answer 4:

- *Similarity:* Both other king and monkey king works for the welfare of their subjects
- *Difference:* Other king hold some respectable title while monkey king do not. Monkey king did not try to capture the land of others but other kings tried to do so.

Question 5:

Find out more and tell a story from one of the epics.

Answer 5:

The Ramayana is an epic written by Adi Rishi Valmiki. This epic is about Rama, a prince of Kosala, who was sent into exile for fourteen years. His wife Sita was abducted by the King of Lanka, named Ravana, and Rama had to fight a battle to get her back. He won and returned to Ayodhya, the capital of Kosala, after his victory.

Let's do

Question 6:

List some steps that can be taken to make buildings and monuments accessible to differently abled people.

Answer 6:

The steps to be taken to make buildings and monuments accessible to differently abled people: (i) Construction of a ramp; (ii) Railing can be placed on the side walls of the staircase. (iii) The steps can be renovated so that people may not fall on the slippery ground.

Question 7:

Try and list as many uses of paper as you can.

Answer 7:

List of uses of paper. We can use paper for the following purposes/things etc.

1. For writing purposes.
2. To make books, note-books, etc.
3. To make kites.
4. To make pictures and paintings.
5. To make toys and flowers.

Question 8:

If you could visit any one of the places described in this chapter, which would you choose and why?

Answer 8:

If I get an opportunity to visit any one of these places, I would plan to go to Mahabalipuram.

The main reasons are:

- (a) It is built on the water front, near the Bay of Bengal.
- (b) Both monolithic and structural temples are built in the same complex.
- (c) The beauty of temples cannot be surpassed by others.
- (d) Monolithic temples are skillfully chiseled, hewed and sculpted.
- (e) Most of the temples are intact. They have not been destroyed by vagaries of time.