

History Chapter 1

What, Where, How and When?

1. Match the following:

Narmada Valley

Magadha

Garo hills

Indus and its tributaries

Ganga Valley

Ans. Narmada Valley

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The first big Kingdom

Hunting and gathering

Cities about 2500 years ago

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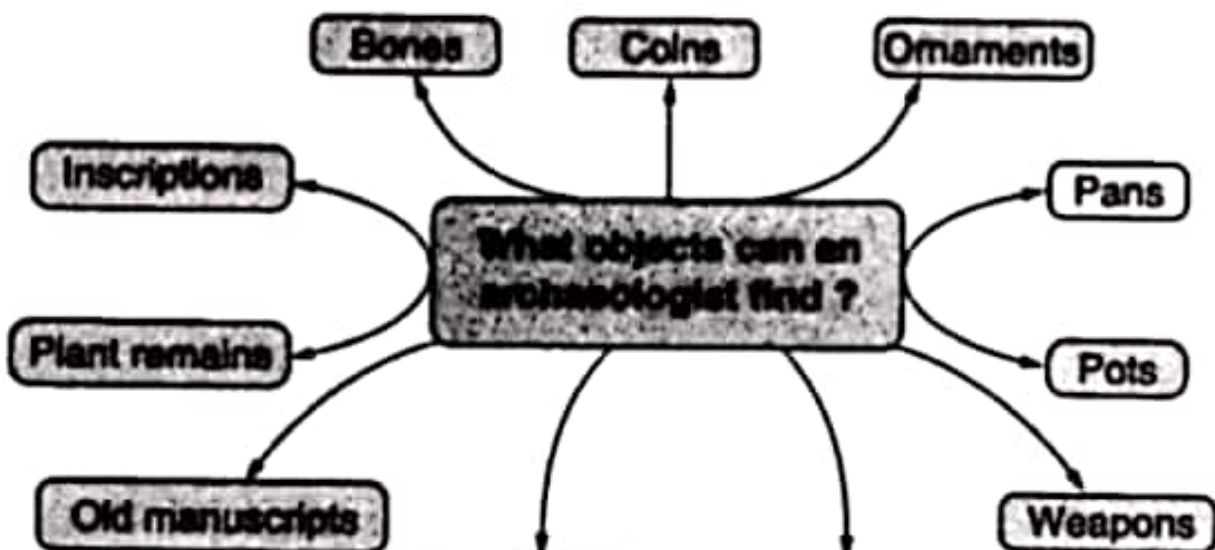
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Manuscripts	Inscriptions
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Manuscripts are the old books that give handwritten accounts.2. These were written on leaves and barks of trees.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Inscriptions are engraved form of writing used for various purposes.2. These were written on hard surfaces, <i>e.g.</i> stones.

4. Make a list of as. the objects that archaeologists may find. Which of these could be made of stone?

Answer: The answer can be summarized through this flow diagram:



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5. Why do you think ordinary men and women did not generally keep records of what they did?

Answer: Ordinary men and women did not feel the need of recording what they did. Also, they lacked proper writing methods.

6. Describe at least two ways in which you think the lives of kings would have been different from those of farmers.

Answer: The lives of kings would have been different from those of farmers in some ways like these:

1. The kings set up large kingdoms whereas the farmers' life was not like theirs.
2. The farmers did not keep records of what they did whereas the kings kept records of their battles and their victories.

8. What were the subjects on which books were written in the past? Which of these would you like to read?

Answers: Ancient books covered subjects like:

(i) Religious beliefs and practices (ii) Lives of kings (iii) Medicine (iv) Science (v) Poetry (vi) Drama (vii) Epics

It would be really interesting to read the epics of the past. The Ramayana, The Mahabharata and the Upanishadas are some of the religious epics of the past.