



Ancient People and their Livings

Today after coming from school, Hamid and Amna were waiting for their father as they needed his help in doing their homework.

Father came back from his job. When he was free from his lunch, Amna and Hamid came to him with their note books and pencils. Hamid asked his father, "How ancient people used to live and what was their diet?" Father replied that ancient people used to live in caves and they ate leaves, roots and fruit of trees. They used to hunt animals with weapons made of stones and ate uncooked meat. This period is called stone age. With the passage of time, they learned to produce fire by rubbing stones with each other. Then they started cooking. Invention of wheel and use of metals played a vital role in



human civilization. To meet his food requirements, man started cultivation and cattle farming. Beside getting milk and meat from animals, he used them for traveling. He built houses for living and started living together in the form of groups called families.



Amna said, "Wao! Abu jee, you have told us lot of things very nicely. Was there anything like computer in stone age?"

Father replied that there was nothing like computer those days. But during the last two centuries inventions like electricity, telephone, television, railway engine and newspapers have helped a lot in the progress of the world.

Now the computer has increased the speed of world's progress many times. With the help of computer, it has become very easy to get the news and to have contact with the people in the far off countries.



EXERCISES

1. Write short answers.

- (i) What was the diet of ancient people?
- (ii) How was fire produced?
- (iii) Which invention has played a vital role in the progress of humans?
- (iv) What changes have taken place in human life after the invention of computer?

2. Tick (✓) the correct answers.

- (i) What is obtained from animals?
 - (a) milk
 - (b) water
 - (c) fruit and vegetables
- (ii) Where did ancient people live in?
 - (a) Houses
 - (b) Caves
 - (c) Fields
- (iii) An important invention of ancient period is:
 - (a) computer
 - (b) wheel
 - (c) telephone
- (iv) Invention of computer in the world:
 - (a) has increased the rate of progress
 - (b) has stopped the progress.
 - (c) has reduced the informations.