Chapter 4

Question 1:

How do archaeologists know that cloth was used in the Harappan civilisation? **Answer**:

Archaeologists know that cloth was used in the Harappan civilization by the presence of actual pieces of cloth and the discovery of spindle whorls.

Question 2:

Match the following

Copper Gujarat

Gold Afghanistan

Tin Rajasthan

Precious stones Karnataka

Answer:

Copper Rajasthan

Gold Karnataka

Tin Afghanistan

Precious stones Gujarat

Question 3:

Why were metals, writing, the wheel, and the plough important for the Harappans? **Answer**:

Metals, writing, the wheel and the plough were important to the Harappans because they had pioneered the use of these and thus distinguished themselves from other people before them.

Question 4:

Make a list of all the terracotta toys shown in the lesson. Which do you think children would have enjoyed playing with the most?

Answer:

Solution not available

Question 5:

Make a list of what the Harappans ate, and put a tick mark against the things you eat today.

Answer:

For food the Harappans ate – wheat, barley, pulses, peas, rice, sesame, linseed and mustard. They supplemented this diet by rearing animals.

Question 6:

Do you think that the life of farmers and herders who supplied food to the Harappan cities was different from that of the farmers and herders you read about in Chapter 3? Give reasons for your answer.

Answer:

Yes the life of the farmers and herders who supplied food to the Harappan cities was different because the farmers and Herders of the Harapans lived away from the cities in which everyone else lived.