



1. Answer the following questions briefly.

- (a) What are the four means of transport?
- (b) What do you understand by the term 'settlement'?
- (c) Which are the activities practised by the rural people?
- (d) Mention any two merits of railways.
- (e) What do you understand by communication?
- (f) What is mass media?

Answer:

(a) The four means of transport are:

- 1. Roadways
- 2. Railways
- 3. Waterways
- 4. Airways

(b) The term 'settlement' refers to a place where people build their homes to live in.

(c) The activities practised by the rural people are farming, fishing, forestry, trading and craftwork, etc.

(d) Two merits of railways are:

- 1. They carry people over long distances quickly and cheaply.
- 2. They carry heavy goods in bulk.

(e) Communication is a process by which we convey our messages to other.

(f) Newspapers, radio and television are called mass media because we can communicate with a large number of people through them.

2. Tick the correct answer:

(a) Which is not a means of communication?

- (i) telephone
- (ii) books
- (iii) table

(b) Which type of road is constructed under the ground?

- (i) flyover
- (ii) express ways
- (iii) subways

(c) Which mode of transport is most suitable to reach an island?

- (i) ship
- (ii) train
- (iii) car

(d) Which vehicle does not pollute the environment?

- (i) cycle
- (ii) bus
- (iii) aeroplane

Answer: (a)—(iii), (b)—(iii), (c)—(i), (d)—(i).

3. Match the following:

(i) Internet	(a) areas where people are engaged in manufacturing, trade and services
(ii) Canal route	(b) closely built area of houses
(iii) Urban areas	(c) houses on stilts

(iv) Compact settlement	(d) inland waterway
-	(e) a means of communication

Ans. (i)–(e), (ii)–(d), (iii)–(a), (iv)–(b).

4. Give reasons:

(a) Today's world is shrinking.

Answer: (a) Modern technology has trapped the whole world in its fist. With the advancement of communication and information technology the world has contracted. We can get the news of a far off land just with a blink of our eyes. England or America or even Moon or Mars are not now far from us. Newspapers, radio and television have brought a revolution in communication. The satellites have made them even faster. Wireless telephonic communications through cellular phones have become more popular today. The use of internet has made everything available in our plates. So, it is not exaggerating to say that today's world is shrinking.

5. For Fun:

(i) Conduct a survey in your locality and find out how people commute to their respective workplaces using:

- (a) more than two modes of transport
- (b) more than three modes of transport
- (c) stay within walking distance.

(ii) Mention which mode of communication you will prefer most in the following situations:

- (a) your grandfather has suddenly fallen ill How will you inform the doctor?
- (b) your mother wants to sell the old house. How will she spread this news?
- (c) you are going to attend the marriage of your cousin for which you will be absent from the school for the next two days. How will you inform the teacher?
- (d) your friend has moved out with his/her family to New York. How will you keep in touch on a daily basis?

Answer:

- (i) (a) on foot, metro and auto-rickshaw
- (b) on foot, bus, metro and rickshaw
- (c) on foot.

- (ii) (a) I will inform the doctor through telephone.
- (b) She will spread this news through newspapers.
- (c) I will send a leave application to the teacher.
- (d) I will keep in touch through telephone or internet.

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