

The Harappan Civilization

EXERCISE [PAGE 14]

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How did the civilization get the name Harappa?

Solution: Archaeological excavation first began in 1921 CE at Harappa in Punjab on the banks of river Ravi. That is how this civilization came to be known as the Harappan civilization.

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What patterns are seen on the Harappan pots?

Solution: There are red terracotta pots with patterns and designs in black colour. The patterns include fish scales, interlocking circles, pipal leaves, etc.

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What cloth did the Harappan traders supply to Egypt?

Solution: The Harappan traders supplied muslin cloth to Egypt.

Exercise | Q 2 | Page 14

What will you do when you visit an ancient site to obtain more information about it, to conserve it, etc?

Solution: Students do it by yourself.

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Draw a picture of the Great Bath at Mohenjo-Daro.

Solution:



Exercise | Q 4 | Page 14



In the following chart, fill in the details regarding human life during the Harappan period.

Major Crops	Clothes	Ornaments
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____

Solution:

Major Crops	Clothes	Ornaments
1. Wheat, Barley	The knee-length cloth is worn by both men and women. The cloth that makes an upper 'garment	Gold, Copper
2. Ragi, Cotton	A cloak with a beautiful trefoil, pattern draped across the shoulder	A precious stone, Shells

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Answer in one word and frame similar questions. Write their answers.

What stone was used to make the Harappan seals?

Solution: Steatite

Exercise | Q 6 | Page 14

On an outline map of the world, show the other civilizations that existed in other parts of the world during the Harappan period.

Solution: Students do it by yourself.

CAN YOU TELL? [PAGE 11]

Can you tell? | Q 1 | Page 11

What problems regarding health and hygiene will arise if the drains are not covered?

Solution: If the drains are not covered they will become infested or breeding grounds for mosquitoes, flies, insects, etc. This will directly affect the health of the people living in that vicinity. People will become victims of terrible illnesses, the death rates may rise, children and senior citizens will be mostly affected as they have weaker immunity.

Can you tell? | Q 2 | Page 11

1. Describe the structure of houses in your locality.
2. Do they have flat roofs or tiled, sloping roofs?

Solution:

1. In my locality (Mumbai) we have building structures and tall skyscrapers. In contrast, we do have human locality with small houses in rows and sometimes shawls that are built up to one storey.
2. Houses or buildings in my locality have flat roofs and provisions are made for draining away the rainwater. Some of the hutments do have tiled sloping roofs.

