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NCERT Class 6 History

Chapter 2: On the Trail of the Earliest People

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Earliest People

- Hunters: Alert, Quick, Presence of mind (animals used to run fast)
- Gatherers: Collect plant parts, know when fruits ripe
- They moved?
 - Resources will be exhausted at one place
 - Hunters moved with animals
 - Plants are seasonal so gatherers moved
 - Water sources some were perennial, others seasonal
 - Meet friends and relatives

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How we know about earliest people?

- Tools they used: Stone, wood, bone
- To cut meat and bone
- To scrape bark (from trees) and hides (animal skins)
- To chop fruit and roots
- Wood to make huts and tools

Making Stone Tools

- Stone-on-Stone: One stone used as hammer on another
- Pressure Flaking: Core placed on firm surface and hammer stone used to remove flakes

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Fire

- To light
- To cook
- To fear away animals

Hunting to Rearing

- 12,000 years ago – Climate change – shift to warm climate & development of grasslands
- Increase in rearing animals
- Learnt about food habit and breeding season of animals
- Grow crops like wheat & barley – till now grown naturally

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Period of Stone Age



1. Paleolithic period (Old Age)

First stone tools invented

2. Mesolithic period (Middle Age)

Tools, bow and arrows to hunt deer.

3. Neolithic period (New Age)

The start of farming

Site Location

- Near water source
- Near stone source
- Factory sites
- Habitation cum Factory Site

