



CLASS: V

Subject: Social Studies

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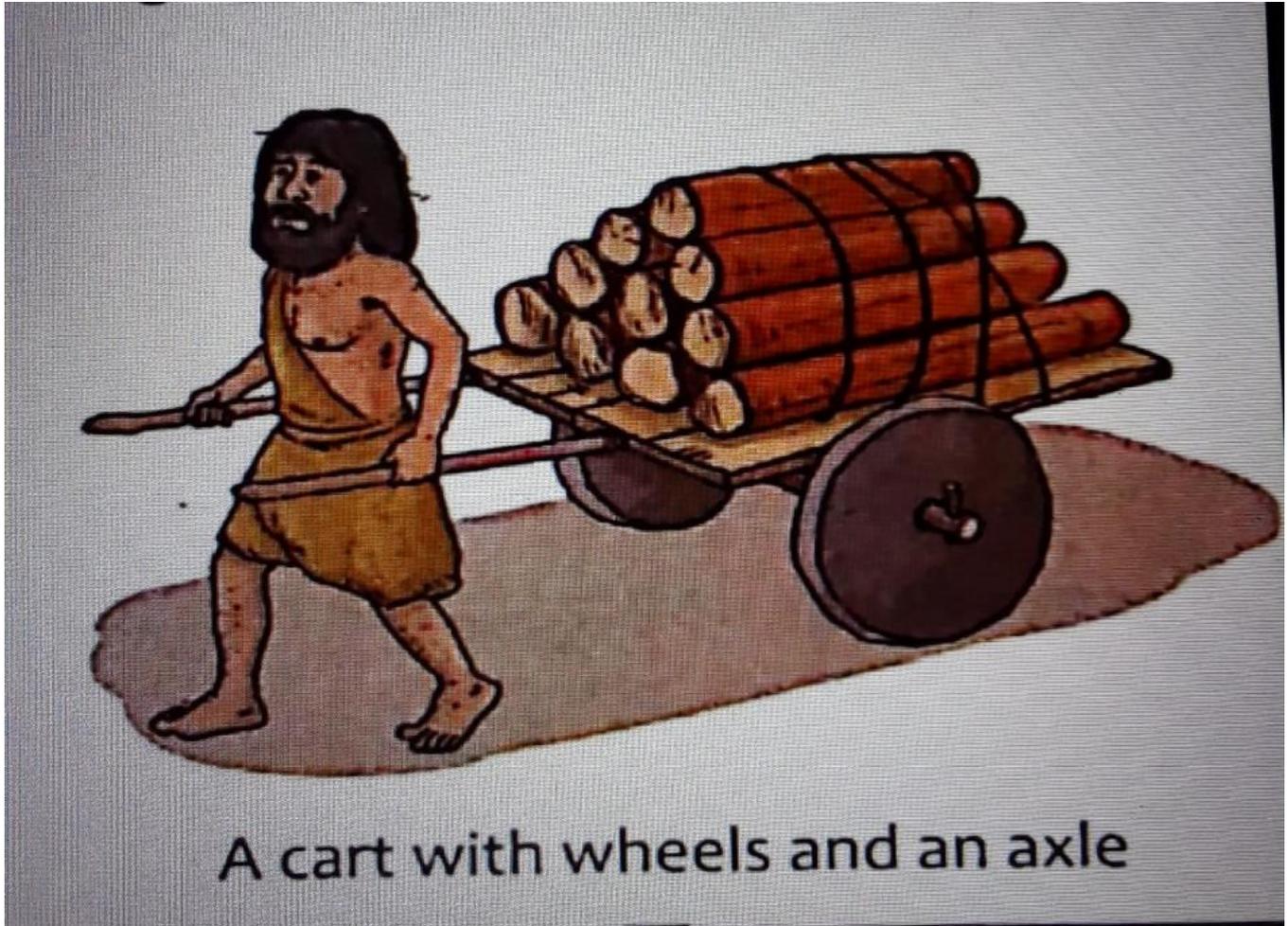
Topic: The Life of the Early Humans -The Stone Age

Time Limit:30 Mins

Worksheet No. :10

[Copy the questions following the notes and solve them on a sheet of paper date wise. Keep the worksheets ready in a file to be submitted on the opening day.]

Invention of the Axle



The wheel is believed to have been invented at the beginning of the Neolithic period. It is believed that early humans may have seen that objects could be moved more easily if placed on something cylindrical, like a log. Over time, wheels were added on either side of the logs. This made it possible to move objects faster. Thus, the wheel with the axle was invented. The axle, the rod placed at the centre, was one of the most important inventions of human history. Soon, the wheeled cart was developed which made travelling easier. People also began to use the wheel to spin cotton and make yarn for cloth.

Sites

Burzahom in the Kashmir Valley and Paiyampalli in Tamil Nadu are some important Neolithic sites discovered in India.

THE CHALCOLITHIC AGE

Towards the end of the Neolithic Age, around 5000-4000 BCE, humans discovered the use of metals. Copper was the first metal to be used by early humans. Thus, this age is also known as the Copper Stone Age. Later, around 2000 BCE, humans also learnt to make bronze—an **alloy** of copper and tin. This period came to be known as the **Bronze Age**.

Lifestyle

People in the Chalcolithic Age were farmers and herders who began to live in larger settlements. Their houses were made of mud-bricks and thatched roofs, flax and silk thread.

Tools

Tools like axes, chisels and rods were made using both, metal and stone. Stone tools became more polished. Pottery of new kinds was also developed during this period; these were largely reddish in colour, with painting done in black.

Sites

Chalcolithic settlements in India have been discovered at Inamgaon in Maharashtra and Arikamedu in Tamil Nadu.

ASSIGNMENT

A. Fill in the blanks:-

- 1.The wheel with the axle was invented in the ----- Age.
- 2.Red and black pottery was a feature of the-----Age.

B. Write True/False and rewrite the false one:-

1. The wheel was invented in the Chalcolithic Age.
- 2.In the Neolithic Age, people lived only in caves and trees.

C. Answer the following:-

1. What was the Chalcolithic Age?
2. Why is Chalcolithic Age also known as the Copper Stone Age?
3. Which period is known as the Bronze Age and why?