



## Chapter-4 | Timeline and Sources of History

## Worksheet-1

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## Multiple Choice Questions

- History is best defined as the study of**
  - Animals and plants
  - The human past
  - The future of society
  - Natural disasters
- Which calendar is commonly used all over the world today?**
  - Hindu calendar
  - Islamic calendar
  - Gregorian calendar
  - Chinese calendar
- The years counted backward before the birth of Jesus are called**
  - CE
  - AD
  - BCE
  - Millennium
- A period of 100 years is known as a**
  - Decade
  - era
  - century
  - millennium
- Which of the following studies fossils?**
  - Geologist
  - Archaeologist
  - Anthropologist
  - Palaeontologist
- Objects like tools, pottery, and coins are sources of**
  - Oral history
  - Archaeological history
  - Literary history
  - Modern history
- A timeline mainly helps us to understand**
  - Weather changes
  - Family trees
  - Sequence of events
  - Future plans
- Early humans mainly lived as**
  - Farmers
  - Traders
  - Hunters and gatherers
  - Industrial workers
- The last Ice Age ended approximately**
  - 1,000 years ago
  - 5,000 years ago
  - 12,000 years ago
  - 50,000 years ago

**10. Which source includes stories, legends, and folk tales?**

- (a) Archaeological sources (b) Literary sources  
(c) Oral sources (d) Artistic sources

**Fill in the blanks :**

11. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a tool that shows events in chronological order.  
12. The years after the birth of Jesus are known as \_\_\_\_\_ or CE.

**True / False**

13. There is a year zero between 1 BCE and 1 CE.  
14. Early humans lived in permanent concrete houses.

**Very Short Type Questions**

15. What is meant by a source of history?  
16. Name any one thing early humans used fire for.

**Short Type Questions**

17. Explain why a timeline is important for studying history.  
18. What are archaeological sources? Give two examples.

**Essay Type Questions**

19. Describe the different types of sources of history. Explain each with examples.  
20. Explain the life of early humans. How did they survive and gradually improve their way of living?

**HOTS**

21. **Assertion (A):** Historians compare information from many sources before writing history.  
**Reason (R):** Different sources may give incomplete or conflicting information.  
Choose the correct option:  
a) Both A and R are true, and R correctly explains A  
b) Both A and R are true, but R does not explain A  
c) A is true, but R is false  
d) A is false, but R is true



1. (b) The human past
2. (c) Gregorian calendar
3. (c) BCE
4. (c) Century
5. (d) Palaeontologist
6. (b) Archaeological history
7. (c) Sequence of events
8. (c) Hunters and gatherers
9. (c) 12,000 years ago
10. (c) Oral sources
11. Timeline
12. AD
13. False
14. False
15. A source of history is anything from which we get information about the past.
16. Early humans used fire for cooking food / protection from animals / warmth.
17. A timeline helps us arrange historical events in the order in which they occurred. It shows which events happened earlier or later and helps us understand change over time.
18. Archaeological sources are physical remains from the past found by digging the earth. Examples include tools, pottery, coins, inscriptions, and buildings.
19. Sources of history are broadly divided into archaeological, literary, oral, and artistic sources. Archaeological sources include tools, pottery, coins, monuments, and inscriptions. Literary sources include manuscripts, religious texts, chronicles, and travel accounts. Oral sources consist of folk tales, songs, and legends passed down verbally. Artistic sources include paintings, sculptures, and carvings. Together, these sources help historians reconstruct the past.
20. Early humans lived in groups and depended on hunting animals and gathering fruits and plants for survival. They lived in caves, rock shelters, or temporary camps. They learned to use fire for cooking and protection and made simple tools from stone. Over time, they began farming, domesticated animals, made pottery, and settled near rivers, which led to the development of villages and early communities.
21. **Correct option: (a)**  
**Explanation:** Historians use many sources because some sources may be incomplete or give different information, so cross-checking is necessary.