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Class–VI Science
CHAPTER – 9
The Living Organisms and Their Surroundings

Key points :

The surroundings where plants and animals live are called their habitat.

Several kinds of plants and animals may share the same habitat.

The presence of specific features and habits, which enable a plant or an animal to live in a particular habitat, is called adaptation.

There are many types of habitats, however, these may be broadly grouped as terrestrial (on the land) and aquatic (in water).

There is a wide variety of organisms present in different habitats.

Plants, animals and microorganisms together constitute biotic components.

Rocks, soil, air, water, light and temperature are some of the abiotic components of our surroundings.

Characteristics of living things:

They need food, air and water to grow and for the other processes.

The young ones grow into adults.

They respire. Animals breathe in oxygen and breathe out carbon dioxide. Plants take in carbon dioxide and give out oxygen.

They respond to changes in the surrounding (stimuli).

They all get rid of wastes produced in the body (excretion).

They reproduce their own kind.

They have a definite life span.

They have a particular structure and are made up of cells.

They show movement.

Habitat: Habitat is the place where an organism finds comfort, safety, food, water, air, shelter and suitable conditions for breeding and survival.

It has two components biotic (living things like plants and animals) and abiotic (non-living things like rocks, soil, air and water).

BIOTIC COMPONENTS

AUTOTROPHS

AUTOTROPHS MAKE THEIR OWN FOOD (AUTO MEANS SELF; TROPH MEANS NUTRITION.)

green plants are autotrophs.

2. HETEROTROPHS

(HETERO MEANS DIFFERENT OR OTHERS; TROPH MEANS NUTRITION) .

Herbivores: plants and grass eating animals.

Carnivores: flesh or meat eating animals

Omnivores; eat both, plants and the flesh.

Habitat provides almost everything to an organism which is needed by it.

ABIOTIC COMPONENTS

light,

temperature,

water, humidity and rain,

soil,

air and wind,

height of a place-plains or hills.

Type of Habitat:

(a) **Terrestrial Habitat:** Plants and animals live on land.

some terrestrial habitats are

seashore or the coastal area. Ex. plants like mangrove and coconut palm are common

on the bank of Ponds and lakes. Ex. frog, turtle, alligator, crocodile, duck etc.

life on land. Ex. cat, deer, lion, tiger, cow. Plants growing on land under normal conditions of moderate temperature and availability of water are the **mesophytes**.

desert habitat on land . Ex. cactus, euphorbia, aloe, lizards, snake, camel.

underground habitats. Ex. moles, beetle, cricket, termite, milliped, ant.

plants and animals living on hills and mountains. Ex. yak, bear, hill goat, flying fox.

plants in hills are mostly conical and evergreen, they bear deep growing roots. the stem is woody, bearing needle-like leaves. plants are mostly **xerophytes**. Ex. apple, pear, plum, apricot, walnut, almond.

high snowy peaks and polar regions. Ex, polar bear (white bear), penguin

arboreal or areial habitat Arbor means a tree. organisms living on trees are arboreal. Ex. was a honey bee, spider, owls, birds and numerous insects.

(b) **Aquatic Habitat:** Plants and animals live in water. Example: ponds, swamps, lakes, rivers and oceans.

plants growing in water are called **hydrophytes**.

plant body is covered with a slippery substance called **mucilage**.

Adaptations: Presence of specific features or certain habitats which enable an organism to live in its surrounding.

Adaptation helps an organism in acquiring certain characteristics which helps it in being able to live in the habitat of its choice.

The adaptation may be (i) related to the habitat, or (ii) related to its body structure.

Terrestrial:

(a) **Deserts:** Small animals stay in burrows deep in sand during the day, and come out at night. In plants, leaves are either absent or very small as spines; stem has a thick waxy coating; roots go deep into the soil.

(b) **Mountains:** Animals have thick skin or fur; mountain goat has strong hooves. Trees are cone shaped having sloping branches; leaves are needle like.

(c) **Grasslands:** Animals are light brown in colour;

Lion: a Long mane in front legs that can be withdrawn inside the toes; eyes in front of face.

Deer: Strong teeth, long ears, eyes on the sides of head.

Aquatic:

(a) **Ponds:**

· **Plants with roots fixed in soil:** Stems are long, hollow and light; leaves float on water.

· **Plants with roots submerge:** Leaves are narrow and thin ribbon-like.

(b) **Oceans:**

organisms living in sea are called the **marine plants** and **marine animals**.

Animals have streamlined body; gills to respire (dolphins and whales have blowholes).

Animals like squids and octopus do not have streamlined body and stay deep in water.

VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Unscramble the given words below to get the correct word using the clues given against them.

(a) SATPADAOINT specific features or certain habits which enable a living being to live in its surroundings

- (b) RETECOXNI Waste products are removed by this process
- (c) LUMISIT All living things respond to these
- (d) ROUCDPRENTOI Because of this we find organisms of the same kind

Ans. (a) ADAPTATIONS

(b) EXCRETION

(c) STIMULI

(d) REPRODUCTION

2. Using the following words, write the habitat of each animal given in Fig. 9.1 (a to d).
Grassland, Mountain, Desert, Pond, River

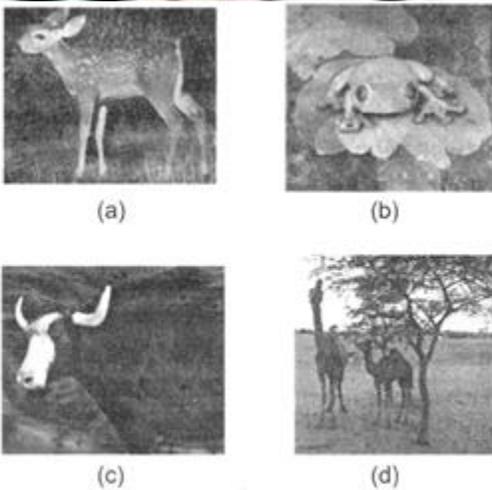


Fig. 9.1

Ans. (a) Grassland

(b) Rain forests

(c) Mountain

(d) Desert

3. Classify the following habitats into terrestrial and aquatic types.
Grassland, Pond, Ocean, Rice field

Ans. Terrestrial habitats - grassland, rice field.

Aquatic habitats - pond, ocean.

4. Why is reproduction important for organisms?

Ans. Reproduction is necessary for organisms because

- a) it is the mode of producing offspring of their own kind
- b) to maintain the continuity of species
- c) carrying hereditary characters to next generation.

5. Fill in the blanks:

- (a) Saline water, hot air and sand are components of a habitat.
- (b) The habitat of plants and animals that live in is called the aquatic habitat.
- (c) enable a plant or an animal to live in its surroundings.
- (d) Plants and animals that live on land are said to live in habitats.

Ans. (a) Abiotic
(b) Water
(c) Adaptations
(d) Terrestrial

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Paheli has a rose plant in her garden. How can she increase the number of rose plants in the garden?

Ans. Rose plant can be easily increased in the garden by planting the new buds arising from the main stem of plant, grafting or cutting the stem.

2. Why do desert snakes burrow deep into the sand during the day?

Ans. The upper layers of the sand becomes hot during the daytime. So, it becomes hard for those animals to survive. They bury deep inside the sand because deeper layers of sand are cooler than the upperlayers that saves them from heat of the desert during the day.

3. Write the adaptation in aquatic plants due to which

- (a) submerged leaves can bend in the flowing water.

(b) leaves can float on the surface of water.

Ans. (a) Leaves are narrow and ribbon like.

(b) Stems/stalks of leaves are long, hollow and light.

4. Mention one adaptation present in the following animals:

(a) In camels to keep their bodies away from the heat of sand.

(b) In frogs to enable them to swim.

(c) In dolphins and whales to breathe in air when they swim near the surface of water.

Ans. (a) Long legs and puffed feet

(b) Webbed feet

(c) Blow holes and under developed lungs

5. Some desert plants have very small leaves whereas some others have only spines. How does this benefit the plants?

Ans. Small or spine shaped leaves reduces the surface of lamina which enable the plants in adaptation in desert areas as it helps them to excrete less amount of water through transpiration.

6. What are the specific features present in a deer that helps it to detect the presence of predators like lion?

Ans. Some of the adaptations which help the deer to detect the presence of predators are as follows:

(a) Long ears to hear soft movement of predators.

(b) Eyes on the sides of its head that allows it to look in all directions.

(c) Long legs which help to climb high

(d) They are fast runners too which help them to escape

7. Read the features of plants given below:

- (a) Thick waxy stem
- (b) Short roots
- (c) Cone shaped plants
- (d) Sloping branches
- (e) Small or spine-like leaves
- (f) Hollow stem

Choose the type of plant for every feature given in a, b, c, d, e and f from the list given below:

Aquatic plant, Desert plant, Mountainous plant

- Ans.** (a) Desert plant
(b) Aquatic plant
(c) Mountainous plants
(d) Mountainous plant
(e) Desert plant
(f) Aquatic plant

LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Like many animals although a car also moves it is not considered as a living organism. Give 2-3 reasons.

Ans. Both living organisms and car move but the difference is that living organisms move on their own as they have life. But car is a non living thing which is operated by an individual. It requires fossil fuel to move. Another reason that proves that car is not a living thing is the absence of life processes like respiration, reproduction, excretion, ingestion, growth etc which are the characteristics of living things.

2. What are the adaptive features of a lion that helps it in hunting?

Ans. Adaptations of lion which helps it to easily catch its prey are as follows:

- (a) The colour of its body and mane is brown which helps it to hide amongst bushes and open area thereby avoid detection by its prey.
- (b) Eyes placed in front allow it to know the exact location and movements of its prey.
- (c) Powerful paws and long claws enable it to catch and kill the prey.
- (d) Its active approach to catch its prey through neck and inserting its front canine teeth on it.

Textual exercise:

Question 1. What is a habitat?

Answer: The surrounding where plants and animals live, survive and reproduce is called their habitat.

Question 2. How are cactus adapted to survive in a desert??

Answer: Adaptation of cactus in desert:

- (i) The Leaf is modified to spine to reduce transpiration.
- (ii) Photosynthesis is carried by the stems.
- (iii) The stem is covered by thick waxy layer that helps to retain water.
- (iv) Cactus have roots that go very deep into the soil for absorbing water.

Question 3. Fill in the blanks:

- (a) The presence of specific features, which enable a plant or animal to live in a particular habitat, is called -----.
- (b) The habitats of the plants or animals that live on land are called ----- habitat.
- (c) The habitats of plants and animals that live in water are called ----- habitat.
- (d) Soil, water and air are the ----- factors of a habitat.
- (e) Changes in our surrounding that make us responds to them, are called -----.

Answer: (a) The presence of specific features, which enable a plant or animal to live in a particular habitat, is called **adaptation**.

- (b) The habitats of the plants or animals that live on land are called **terrestrial** habitat.
- (c) The habitats of plants and animals that live in water are called **aquatic** habitat
- (d) Soil, water and air are the **abiotic** factors of a habitat.
- (e) Changes in our surrounding that make us responds to them are called **stimuli**.

Question 4. Which of the things in the following list are non-living?

Plough, Mushroom, Sewing machine, Radio, Boat, Water, Hyacinth, Earthworm.

Answer: In this list Plough, Sewing machine, Radio and Boat are non-living.

Question 5. Give an example of non-living thing, which shows any two characteristics of living things.

Answer: Car is an example of a non-living thing that shows two characteristics of living things. A car can move from one place to another. Also, it requires energy just like living things.

Question 6. Which of the non-living things listed below were once parts of living thing?

Butter, Leather, Soil, Wool, Cooking gas, Apple, Rubber.

Answer: Butter, Leather, Wool, Cooking oil, Apple and Rubber.

Question 7. List the common characteristic of living things.

Answer: Common characteristic of living things.

- (i) Growth
- (ii) Need food
- (iii) Respiration
- (iv) Response to stimuli
- (v) Excretion
- (vi) Reproduction
- (vii) Movement

Question 8. Explain, why speed is important for survival in the grasslands for animals that live there. (Hint: There are few trees or places for animals to hide in grasslands habitats)

Answer: In grasslands, mainly grasses are found. Trees are very few in number. Predators such as lion, tiger, etc. that feed upon other animals are commonly found in these regions. It is very easy for these predators to locate their prey in the grass. Therefore, to protect themselves from these predators, animals adapt themselves by increasing their speed. The increased speed of the animal helps the weaker animals to escape their predator, thereby protecting themselves and increasing the chances of their survival.

Class -6 Science
CHAPTER – 10
Motion and Measurement of Distances

Key words:

REST : The objects which remain stationary at a place and do not change their position are said to be at rest.

Different modes of transport are used to go from one place to another.

In ancient times, people used the length of a foot, the width of a finger, the distance of a step as units of measurement. This caused confusion and a need to develop a uniform system of measurement.

we use International System of Unit (SI unit). This is accepted all over the world.

Meter is the unit of length in SI unit.

Motion in a straight line is called rectilinear motion.

In a circular motion, an object moves such that its distance from a fixed point remains the same.

Motion that repeats itself after some period of time, is called periodic motion.

Measurement: The comparison of an unknown quantity with some known quantity of the same kind. Measurement of an object consists of:

The unit of measurement.

The number of units the object measures.

Conventional Methods of Measurement:

Conventional measurements have only been approximate measurement. Differ from person to person. Lack precision.

Hand span: Length between the tip of the thumb and little finger.

Cubit: Length between the tip of middle finger and elbow.

Arm length: Length from shoulder to the tip of middle finger.

Footstep: It is the distance covered by a step.

Needs for standard units of measurement:-

Units such as hand span, foot, footstep, cubit, etc., vary. they depend upon the size of an individual's hand, foot, etc., hence such units cause confusion in measurements.

Standard Units of Measurement: It is a unit to measure any quantity completely and uniformly. Standard units for measuring, length-metre, mass-kilogram, time-second.

The system International of 'Units' or better known as 'S.I. UNITS.

RULES FOR WRITING SYMBOLS OF UNITS

Symbols for units are usually written in small letters.

Symbols is not given in plural form.

Symbols for a unit is not to be followed by a full stop unless it is at the end of a sentence.

Motion: When the position of a body does not change with the passage of time, the body is said to be at rest. When the position of a body changes with the passage of time, the body is said to be in motion.

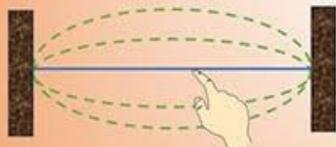
Types of motion:

(a) Linear Motion: Linear motion is further classified into two:

Straight line motion or Rectilinear Motion: Object moves from one position to another along a straight line. Example: a group of ants moving in a line.

Curvilinear Motion: Object moving along curved lines. Example: a car moving along a curved road.

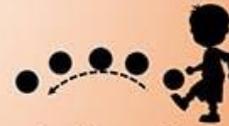
TYPES OF MOTION WITH EXAMPLES



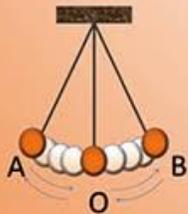
Vibratory Motion



Linear Motion



Curvilinear Motion



Oscillatory Motion



Circular Motion



Rotatory Motion

(b) Random Motion: When an object moves from one position to another and changes direction in an irregular manner. Example: butterfly, flies randomly in the garden.

(c) Circular Motion: Object moves in a circular manner in relation to its own axis or around a fixed centre. An object remains at the same distance from a fixed point which is the centre of the path of the motion. Two types of circular motion:

(i) Revolution, taking rounds around: Object moves as a whole around a fixed centre. Example: Earth revolving around the sun in a definite orbit.

(ii) Rotation or spinning motion: Object moves in a circular path in relation to its own fixed axis. Example: blades of a moving fan, windmill, etc.

Rotation is restricted to the central axis. The extended parts attached to the rotating axis are in revolutionary motion.

(d) Vibratory Motion: Object moves to and fro very fast. Example: strings of a guitar when plucked.

(e) Oscillatory motion: Object oscillates to and fro along the same path again and again and with the same speed. Time taken by an object to complete one oscillation is same, no matter how many oscillations the object takes. Example: heartbeat, a pendulum of a clock.

(f) periodic motion: - The motion which repeats at regular intervals of time is a periodic motion. Ex. heartbeat, pendulum of a clock, hands of a clock.

(g) Non-periodic Motion: Object does not repeat motion at regular intervals of time. Ex. Earthquake, the eruption of a volcano, landslide, storm.

(h) Mixed motion: - more than one type of motion at the same time. Ex. A cricket ball bowled shows linear as well spin motion.

(i) Resultant motion: - one kind of motion resulting in another kind of motion is a resultant motion. Ex. wheels of a bicycle rotate about its axis resulting in the linear motion of the bicycle on the road.

(j) Random motion: - The motion without any sequence or direction is random motion. Ex. A buzzing bee, A player of a football on the field.

(k) Uniform Motion: When the body covers the equal distance in equal time interval. motion of a clock hand.

(l) Non-uniform Motion: Motion in which the body covers the unequal distance in equal inter of time, the motion of a bus.

VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Correct the following.

(i) The motion of a swing is an example of rectilinear motion.

(ii) $1\text{ m} = 1000\text{ cm}$

Ans. (i) The motion of a swing is an example of periodic motion.

(ii) $1\text{ m} = 100\text{ cm}$

2. Fill in the blanks

(i) Motion of an object or a part of it around a fixed point is known as motion.

(ii) A body repeating its motion after certain interval of time is in motion.

(iii) In rectilinear motion, object moves a line.

(iv) SI unit of length is

Ans. (i) Motion of an object or a part of it around a fixed point is known as **circular** motion.

(ii) A body repeating its motion after certain interval of time is in **periodic** motion.

(iii) In rectilinear motion, object moves **along** a **straight** line.

(iv) SI unit of length is **metre**.

3. Write one example for each of the following type of motion.

(i) Rectilinear

(ii) Circular

(iii) Periodic

(iv) Circular and periodic

Ans. (i) Motion of a car moving on a straight road.

(ii) Motion of hands of clock.

(iii) Motion of pendulum.

(iv) Motion of hands of clock, motion of blades of fan.

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1.

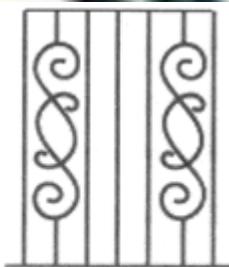


Fig. 10.7

The photograph given as Fig. 10.7 shows a section of a grille made up of straight and curved iron bars. How would you measure the length of the bars of this section, so that the payment could be made to the contractor?

Ans. The length of the grille can be measured using a measuring tape, or using a thread which can further be measured on a scale.

2. Identify the different types of motion in the following word diagram given as Fig. 10.8.

Y	O	U	N	G	C	C	N	T	E	R
L	E	V	E	L	P	I	B	E	A	R
A	L	L	O	T	O	P	P	E	A	I
N	O	T	E	P	A	D	N	E	C	k
O	W	O	N	E	W	I	Y	Z	S	E
I	E	V	O	R	L	O	A	E	W	P
T	R	G	N	I	C	E	D	R	I	L
A	Z	H	T	O	N	G	U	E	N	A
T	X	C	R	D	E	P	T	H	G	R
O	E	Y	C	I	R	C	U	L	A	R
R	T	L	C	C	O	P	P	E	R	T

Fig. 10.8

Ans.

Y	O	U	N	G	C	C	N	T	E	R
L	E	V	E	L	P	I	B	E	A	R
A	L	L	O	T	O	P	P	E	A	I
N	O	T	E	P	A	D	N	E	C	k
O	W	O	N	E	W	I	Y	Z	S	E
I	E	V	O	R	L	O	A	E	W	P
T	R	G	N	I	C	E	D	R	I	L
A	Z	H	T	O	N	G	U	E	N	A
T	X	C	R	D	E	P	T	H	G	R
O	E	Y	C	I	R	C	U	L	A	R
R	T	L	C	C	O	P	P	E	R	T

3. Four children measure the length of a table which was about 2 m. Each of them used different ways to measure it.

- (i) Sam measured it with a half metre long thread.
- (ii) Gurmeet measured it with a 15-cm scale from her geometry box.
- (iii) Reena measured it using her hand span.

(iv) Salim measured it using a 5-m long measuring tape.

Which one of them would get the most accurate length? Give reason for your answer.

Ans. Salim would derive accurate result because the length of the measuring tape is 5-m and the length of the table is 2 m so the length of the table can be measured in one go. Whereas Sam can measure the lengths which are exact multiples of half a metre. But in other cases, chances of error is more due to multiple measurements.

4. Match the events related to motion in Column I with the types of motions given in Column II.

Column I	Column II
(a) A moving wheel of a sewing machine	(i) Circular motion
(b) Movement of tip of the minute hand of a clock in one hour	(ii) Rotational motion
(c) A moving swing	(iii) Periodic motion

Ans. a- (ii)

b-(i)

c-(iii)

LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS

5. While travelling in a train, it appears that the trees near the track are moving whereas co-passengers appear to be stationary. Explain the reason.

Ans. When we see the trees from a moving train they appear to move because their position is changing with respect to us. Whereas the position of co-passengers is not changing with respect to us and hence appears to be stationary.

6. How are the motions of a wheel of a moving bicycle and a mark on the blade of a moving electric fan different? Explain.

Ans. The wheel of a moving bicycle represents a circular as well as a rectilinear motion whereas a mark on the blade of a moving electric fan represents a circular motion only.

7. Three students measured the length of a corridor and reported their measurements. The values of their measurements were different. What could be the reason for difference in their measurements? (Mention any three)

Ans. Difference in their measurements could be due to following reasons:

- i. They may have used different measuring devices.
- ii. The device used by three of them may have different least measurable length.
- iii. It is possible that the end of the corridor may not be accessible to measure.
- iv. The devices used for measuring may be faulty or not properly standardized.

8. Boojho was riding in his bicycle along a straight road. He classified the motion of various parts of the bicycle as (i) rectilinear motion, (ii) circular motion and (iii) both rectilinear as well as circular motion. Can you list one part of the bicycle for each type of motion? Support your answer with reason.

Ans. The three types of motion in a bicycle are as follows:

- (i) Handle bar or seat shows rectilinear motion.
- (ii) Pedal shows circular motion as it moves in a circular direction with reference to a center or fixed point.
- (iii) Wheel shows both rectilinear as well as circular motion.

TEXTUAL EXERCISE

Question 1. Give two examples each of modes of transport used on land, water and air.

Answer:

On Land	In Water	In Air
Car, Train	Boat, Ship	Aeroplane, Helicopter

Question 2. Fill in the blanks:

- (i) One meter is ----- cm.
- (ii) Five kilometer is ----- m.
- (iii) Motion of a child on a swing is -----.
- (iv) Motion of the needle of a swing machine is -----.
- (v) Motion of a wheel of a bicycle is -----.

Answer: (i) One meter is **100** cm.
(ii) Five kilometer is **5000** m.
(iii) Motion of a child on a swing is **Oscillatory motion**.

- (iv) Motion of the needle of a swing machine is **periodic motion**.
(v) Motion of a wheel of a bicycle is **circular motion**

Question 3. Why can a pace or footstep not be used as a standard unit of length?

Answer: We cannot use pace or a footstep as standard unit of length as the size of foot and the footstep will not be the same for every individual. Thus, the measurement will not be same for different people.

Question 4. Arrange the following lengths in their increasing magnitude.

1 metre, 1 centimetre, 1 kilometre, 1 millimetre.

Answer: 1 millimetre, 1 centimetre, 1 metre, 1 kilometre.

Question 5. The height of a person is 1.65 m. express it into cm and mm.

Answer: $1.65 \text{ m} = 1.65 \times 100 \text{ cm} = 165 \text{ cm}$ ($1 \text{ m} = 100 \text{ cm}$)

$1.65 \text{ m} = 165 \text{ cm} = 165 \times 10 \text{ mm} = 1650 \text{ mm}$ ($1 \text{ cm} = 10 \text{ mm}$)

Question 6. The distance between Radha's home and her school is 3250 m. express this distance into km.

Answer: $3250 \text{ m} = 3250/1000 \text{ km} = 3.250 \text{ km}$ ($1 \text{ m} = 1/1000 \text{ km}$)

Question 7. While measuring the length of a knitting needle, the reading of the scale at one end is 3.0 cm and at the other end 33.1 cm. What is the length of the needle?

Answer: Length of needle = final reading - Initial reading = $33.1 \text{ cm} - 3.0 \text{ cm} = 30.1 \text{ cm}$.

Question 8. Write the similarities and differences between the motion of a bicycle and ceiling fan that has been switched on.

Answer: Similarities: - Wheel of a bicycle and ceiling fan both shows circular motion.

Differences: - Cycle moves in rectilinear motion but ceiling fan does not move in rectilinear motion.

Question 9. Why could you not use an elastic measuring tape to measure distance? What would be some of the problems you would meet in telling someone about a distance you measured with an elastic tape?

Answer: Elastic tap will not give accurate measurement because it stretches in length and reduces in size when not stretched. While telling the measurement taken with an elastic tape. We have to tell whether the tape was stretched and by how much. This is very difficult.

Question 10. Give two examples of periodic motion.

Answer: Example of periodic motion-

(i) Pendulum

(ii) Child on the swing.

Class-6 Science

Chapter – 11

Light, Shadows and Reflections

Keywords:

Light: Light is the natural agent that stimulates sight and makes things visible.

Its path is only visible when it is scattered by dust particles present in the atmosphere.

Light is a form of invisible energy.

Light itself is not visible .

It makes other objects visible.

Light and the eyes both are necessary to see the things.

The sensation which helps us to see things is called **sight** or the **vision**.

SOURCES OF LIGHT

Sun,

stars

electric torch,

candle flame

Light is classified into two:

(i) **Emission of light:** Classifying objects on the basis of emission of light.

LUMINOUS OBJECT :- objects which emit their own light are called luminous objects. Ex. A candle, electric torch.

NON-LUMINOUS OBJECTS :- Objects which do not have their own light and are seen by the light scattered by them are called non-luminous objects.. Example: moon, chair, table, etc.

Optical media :- Any substance which allows light to pass through it either partially or wholly is called an optical media.

Transparent: All substances that allow light to pass freely through them and through which objects can clearly be seen are called transparent substances. Example: glass, water, air, etc.

Translucent: A substance that allows light to pass through it only partially is called a translucent medium or substance.. Example: butter paper, tissue paper, etc.

Opaque: Objects that do not allow light to pass through them. Example: book, brick, etc.

Shadow: A shadow is the 'region of absence of light'. Light from a source is cut off by an obstacle and shadow is formed.

Opaque object cast a dark shadow.

Translucent objects produce a weak shadow.

Transparent objects do not cast a shadow at all.

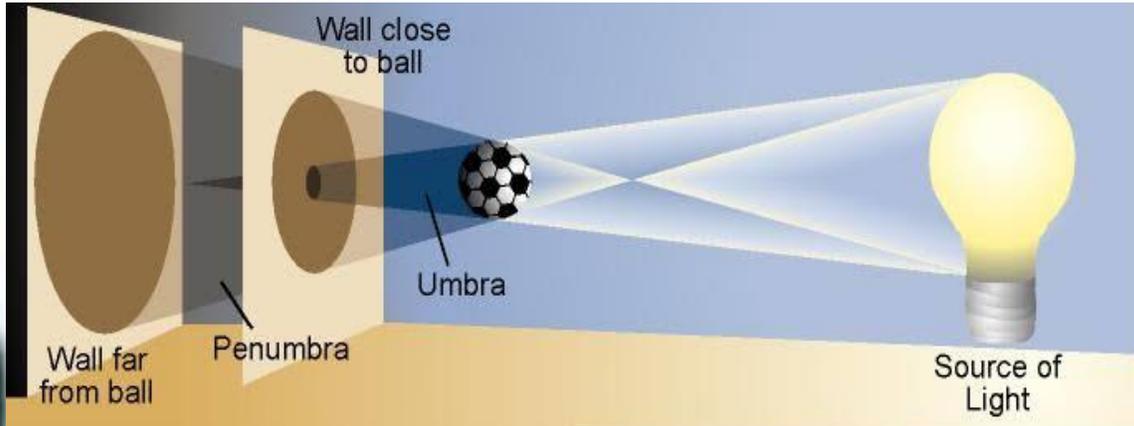
Types of shadow:

The kind of shadow depends upon the size of the source of light.

Due to smaller (point) light source: Only one dark shadow is formed and this is known as **umbra**.

Due to larger(extended) light source: Two shadows are formed-a dark one in the centre and a light one on the outside. Dark shadow is called **umbra** and the faint or lighter shadow is called **penumbra**.

The size of umbra decreases and penumbra increases as the the screen is moved away from the object.



Colour of shadow :- Whatever be the colour of the opaque object, the shadow formed is always of the same colour, that is, black.

LENGTH OF THE SHADOW :- The length of the shadow differs depends upon the angle at which light falls on a body.

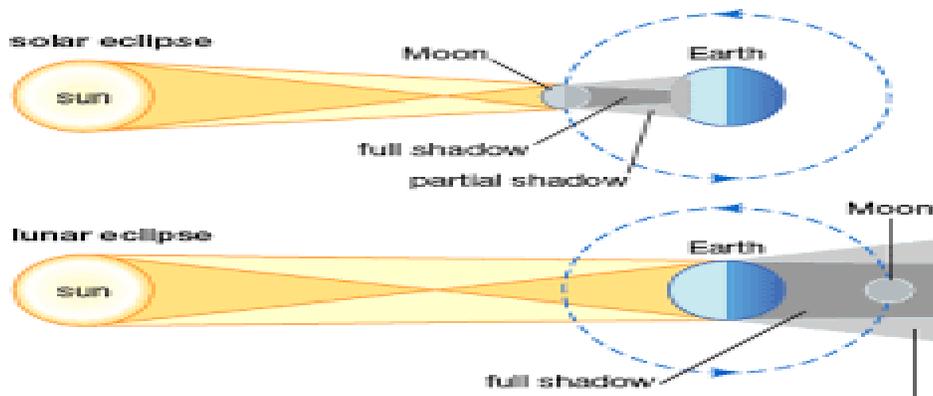
Eclipse: A shadow formed in space that makes the sun or the moon invisible for some time. Eclipse is the overshadowing of a bright object.

Solar eclipse: The moon comes between the sun and the earth, so that the earth (in the shadow) darkens during the day.

The solar eclipse occurs only on a 'NEW MOON DAY'.

Lunar eclipse: The moon and the sun are in a straight line such that the earth is in between the sun and the moon, the shadow of the earth falls on moon and the moon cannot be seen.

The lunar eclipse occurs on a 'FULL MOON' NIGHT.



(ii) **Reflection of light:** The process of sending back the light rays which fall on the surface of an object. Silver metal is one of the best reflector of light.

VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. You have 3 opaque strips with very small holes of different shapes as shown in Fig. 11.5. If you obtain an image of the sun on a wall through these holes, will the image formed by these holes be the same or different?

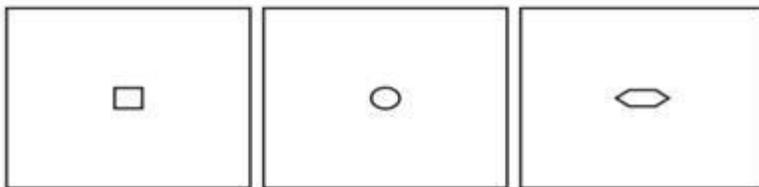


Fig. 11.5

Ans. The image of the sun obtained will be same through all the three types of holes.

2. Observe the picture given in Fig. 11.6. A sheet of some material is placed at position 'P', still the patch of light is obtained on the screen. What is the type of material of this sheet?

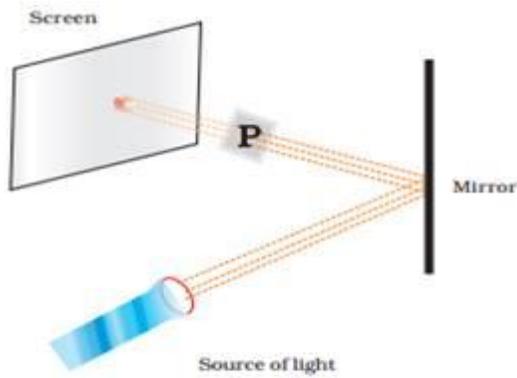


Fig. 11.6

Ans. A sheet of transparent material must have been placed at position P due to which the light from the torch got reflected from mirror and the patch of the light could be obtained on the screen.

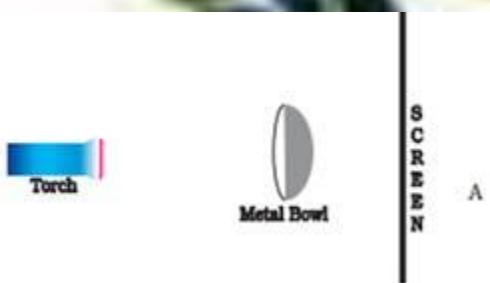
3. Three torches A, B and C shown in Fig. 11.7 are switched on one by one. The light from which of the torches will not form a shadow of the ball on the scree



Fig. 11.7

Ans. The torch at position C could not form an image of the ball on screen because to get an image on the source of light falling on the object must be opposite to the screen.

4. Look at the figure given in Fig. 11.8.



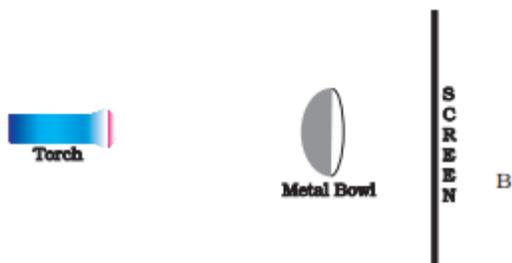


Fig. 11.8

Will there be any difference in the shadow formed on the screen in A and B.

Ans. No, there would not be any difference between the images formed in case A and case B as the object is same.

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Correct the following statements.

- (i) The colour of the shadow of an object depends on its colour of the object.
- (ii) Transparent objects allow light to pass through them partially.

Ans. (i) The colour of the shadow of an object does not depend on its colour.

(ii) Translucent objects allow light to pass through them partially or transparent objects allow most of the light to pass through them.

2. Suggest a situation where we obtain more than one shadow of an object at a time.

Ans. It is possible to obtain more than one shadow of a single object if light from more than one source falls on that object. For instance, during match being played in a stadium multiple shadows of player are seen.. This is due to the presence of multiple sources of light in the stadium.

3. On a sunny day, does a bird or an aeroplane flying high in the sky cast its shadow on the ground? Under what circumstances can we see their shadow on the ground?

Ans. No its not possible to see the the shadow of a bird or aeroplane flying very high as the ground which act as a screen is very far away from object and it can only be seen when the bird is flying very low and close to the ground.

4. You are given a transparent glass sheet. Suggest any two ways to make it translucent without breaking it.

Ans. A transparent material can be made translucent by using following steps:

- (i) Applying oil, grease, and butter on the surface of the transparent glass.
- (ii) Pasting butter paper on the surface of the transparent glass.
- (iii) Rubbing the surface of the transparent glass by any rough material.

5. A torch is placed at two different positions A and B, one by one, as shown in Fig. 11.9.

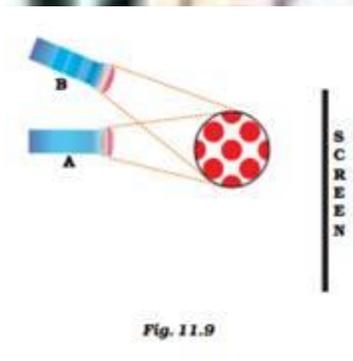


Fig. 11.9

The shape of the shadow obtained in two positions is shown in Fig. 11.10.

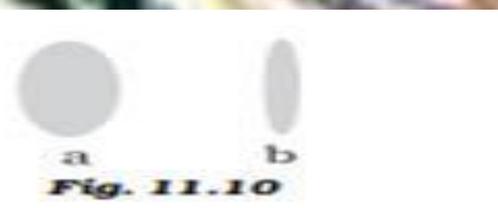


Fig. 11.10

Match the position of the torch and shape of the shadow of the ball.

Ans. A → a

B → b

If the angle of incident light is smaller, the shadow is longer. On the other hand, if the angle of incident light is bigger, the shadow is smaller. This explains, why our shadows are longer in the morning and evening and smaller in the noon.

6. A student covered a torch with red cellophane sheet to obtain red light. Using the red light, she obtains a shadow of an opaque object. She repeats this activity with green and blue light. Will the colour of the light affect the shadow? Explain.

Ans. Changing the colour of light will not affect the shadow. This is due to the fact that shadow is a dark patch formed when the path of light is obstructed by an object which inhibits the light from reaching in the shadow region.

7. Is air around us always transparent? Discuss.

Ans. Normally air around us is transparent but due to the occurrence of thick smoke, fog, or thick clouds, etc. the air does not remain transparent any more.

8. Three identical towels of red, blue and green colour are hanging on a clothes line in the sun. What would be the colour of shadows of these towels?

Ans. This would not affect the colour of the shadow as shadows are just dark patches formed as a result of the obstruction of the path of light by an object.

9. Using a pinhole camera, a student observes the image of two of his friends, standing in sunlight, wearing yellow and red shirt respectively. What will be the colours of the shirts in the image?

Ans. The colour of the image of the shirts would be same as the original colour of the shirts.

10. In Fig. 11.11, a flower made of thick coloured paper has been pasted on the transparent glass sheet. What will be the shape and colour of shadow seen on the screen?

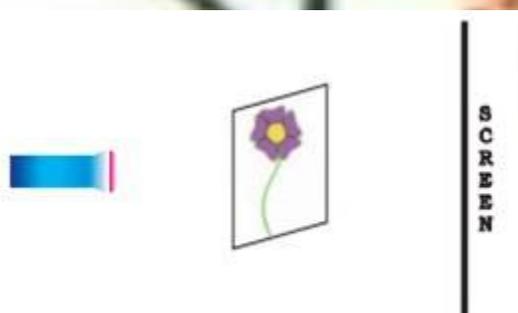


Fig. 11.11

Ans. The shadow formed will be a dark patch and the shape of the shadow will be the shape of the flower along with the stalk. This is because a thick sheet cut in the shape of a flower acts as an opaque object and casts its shadow.

LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. A football match is being played at night in a stadium with flood lights ON. You can see the shadow of a football kept at the ground but cannot see its shadow when it is kicked high in the air. Explain.

Ans. We can see the shadow of a football lying on the ground because the ground acts as a screen for it. But when the football is kicked high, the ground which is acting as a screen gets away from the football, hence no shadow of the football will be formed on the ground.

2. A student had a ball, a screen and a torch in working condition. He tried to form a shadow of the ball on the screen by placing them at different positions. Sometimes the shadow was not obtained. Explain.

Ans. (i) Maybe the screen where the image will be formed is away from the ball.

(ii) The beam of light from the torch is falling parallel to the screen on the ball.

(iii) Maybe the torch is kept away from the ball.

3. A sheet of plywood, a piece of muslin cloth and that of a transparent glass, all of the same size and shape were placed at A one by one in the arrangement shown in Fig. 11.12. Will the shadow be formed in each case. If yes, how will the shadow on the screen be different in each case? Give reasons for your answer.



Fig. 11.12

Ans. The sheet of plywood is an opaque object and will form a dark patched shadow on the screen because it completely obstructs the path of light.

Whereas the piece of muslin cloth is a translucent object and will form a lighter shadow because it allows light to pass through it partially.

The transparent glass will allow the ray of light to pass through it and hence does not form any shadow.

TEXTUAL EXERCISE

Question 1. Rearrange the boxes given below to make a sentence that help us understand opaque objects.

OWS | AKE | OPAQ | UEO | BJECT | TSM | SHAD

Answer:

OPAQ | UEO | BJECT | TSM | AKE | SHAD | OWS

Question 2. Classify the objects or materials given below as opaque, transparent or translucent and luminous or non-luminous:

Air, Water, a piece of rock, a sheet of aluminium, a mirror, a sheet of plane glass, fog, a piece of red hot iron, an umbrella, a lighted fluorescent tube, a wall, a sheet of carbon paper, the flame of a gas burner, a sheet of cardboard, a lighted torch, a sheet of cellophane, a wire mesh, kerosene stove, sun, firefly, moon.

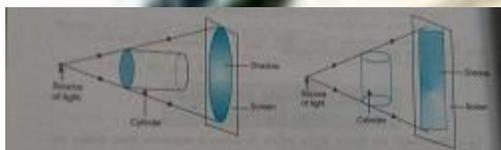
Answer:

Opaque	Transparent	Translucent	Luminous	Non-luminous
A piece of rock	Air	A sheet of polythene	A lighted fluorescent tube	List of transparent objects
A sheet of aluminium	Water	Fog	Flame of gas burner	List of translucent objects
A CD	A sheet of plane glass	A sheet of cellophane	A lighted torch	List of opaque objects
A sheet of carbon paper		Smog	Firefly	Moon
Iron		Fog	Stove	
An umbrella		a wire mesh	Sun	
A wall			fire fly	
A mirror				
A wooden board				

A sheet of cardboard				
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Question 4. Can you think of creating a shape that would give a circular shadow if held in one way and a rectangular shadow if held in another way?

Answer: Yes,



Question 5. In a completely dark room, if you hold up a mirror in front of you, will you see reflection of yourself in the mirror?

Answer: In completely dark room, No one can see any image in the mirror, because there is no light falling on the mirror which can be reflected to show the image.

Class–VI Science
Chapter – 12
Electricity and Circuits

Key words:

Electricity :- It is a flow of electric current.

SOURCES OF ELECTRICAL ENERGY :- Electrical energy is available to us from electric power houses, domestic generators, batteries, and dry cells.

Electric Current :- The Electric current is a flow of electric charges (electron).

Electric current flows in one direction only.

Electric Circuit: The complete path from one terminal of the cell (say positive) through the bulb and back to the other terminal of the cell (say negative) is called an electric circuit .

CLOSED CIRCUIT :- An unbroken path travelled by electricity is known as a CLOSED CIRCUIT.

OPEN CIRCUIT :- A broken path is known as an OPEN CIRCUIT.

Circuit Diagram: It is a symbolic representation of the electric circuit and the electrical parts (electrical components) .

Component of Electricity:

Connecting wires: Help to conduct the electric current and complete the circuit. A metallic wire used for connections in an circuit is also called a 'lead'.

Bulb: Lights up when an electric current flows through it. An electric bulb has a filament that is connected to its terminals. An electric bulb glows when electric current passes through it. The filament of an electric bulb is made of a tiny , coiled tungsten wire.

Battery :- A series combination of two or more cells.

Switch: Switch is a simple device that is used to either break the electric circuit or to complete it. When a switch is on, a gap in the circuit is bridge by a conducting material through which the current flows.

Electric cell or dry cell : An electric cell has two terminals; one is called positive (+ ve) while the other is negative (- ve). Inside the electric cell the electric charges flows from negative (- ive) terminal to the positive (+ ive) terminal.

Connecting wires, bulb, switch and electric cell is used in Torch, Battery, LED (Light Emitting Diode), etc.

Electric current is carried by Conductor.

Conductor: Materials that allow electric current to pass through them. All metals are good conductors of electricity. Carbon is the only non-metal which is a good conductor of electricity.

Electric current is stopped by Insulators.

Insulators: Materials which do not allow electric current to pass through them. Example: plastic, rubber, wood, glass, polythene, PVC, etc.

Electricity can give us magnetism

Electricity is a form of energy which helps us with ,
heating effect,
light effect , and
magnetic effect.

VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. In which of the following circuits A, B and C given in Fig. 12.4, the cell will be used up very rapidly?



Ans. In arrangement A, the cell will be used up very rapidly.

2. Fig. 12.5 shows a bulb with its different parts marked as 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Which of them label the terminals of the bulb?

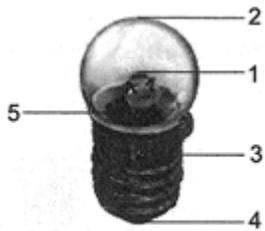


Fig. 12.5

Ans. Labels 3 and 4 mark the terminals of the bulb.

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. You are provided with a bulb, a cell, a switch and some connecting wires. Draw a diagram to show the connections between them to make the bulb glow.

Ans.



2. Will the bulb glow in the circuit shown in Fig. 12.6? Explain.



Fig. 12.6

Ans. No, bulb will not glow because the circuit is incomplete due to open switch which lead not to flow current from one terminal of cell to another.

3. An electric bulb is connected to a cell through a switch as shown in Fig. 12.7 When the switch is brought in 'ON' position, the bulb does not glow. What could be the possible reason/s for it? Mention any two of them.



Ans. The bulb did not glow due to the following reasons:

- (i) The bulb is fused.
- (ii) The cell is a used one.
- (iii) The connections may be loose
- (iv) There may be carbon content near the terminals of the cell.

4. A torch requires 3 cells. Show the arrangement of the cells, with a diagram, inside the torch so that the bulb glows.

Ans. Positive end of one cell is connected to negative end of other, this makes a series to complete the circuit in a torch.



5. When the chemicals in the electric cell are used up, the electric cell stops producing electricity. The electric cell is then replaced with a new one. In case of rechargeable batteries (such as the type used in mobile phones, camera and inverters), they are used again and again. How?

Ans. Energy neither be created nor destroyed it only change from one form to another, thus in rechargeable batteries when electric current is passed through them it converted into chemical energy. After getting recharged they can be used again.

6. Paheli connected two bulbs to a cell as shown in Fig. 12.8.

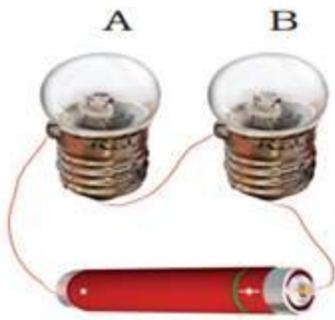


Fig. 12.8

She found that filament of bulb B is broken. Will the bulb A glow in this circuit? Give reason

Ans. No, as the circuit is broken the bulb will not glow.

7. Why do bulbs have two terminals?

Ans. An electric cell has two terminals; one is called positive (+ ve) while the other is negative (– ve). An electric bulb has a filament that is connected to its terminals. An electric bulb glows when electric current passes through it.

8. Which of the following arrangement A, B, C and D given in Fig. 12.9 should not be set up? Explain, why.

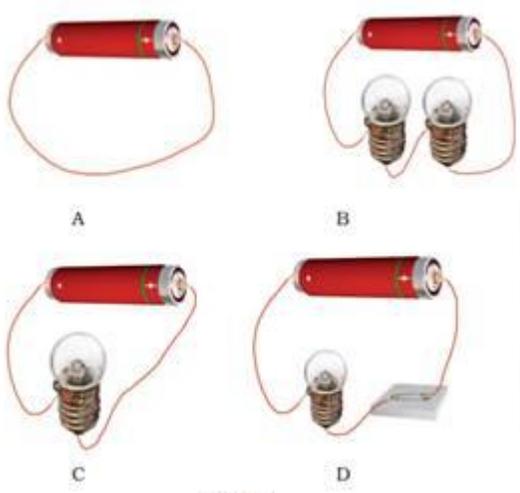


Fig. 12.9

Ans. Arrangement A is not desirable because the cell will be rapidly used up.

9. A fused bulb does not glow. Why?

Ans. A fused bulb does not glow due to broken filament leading to incomplete circuit.

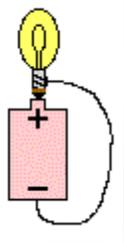
10. Paheli wanted to glow a torch bulb using a cell. She could not get connecting wires, instead, she got two strips of aluminium foil. Will she succeed? Explain, how?

Ans. Aluminium is a good conductor of electricity so current is pass through it and hence can be used as a connecting wire.

LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Boojho has a cell and a single piece of connecting wire. Without cutting the wire in two, will he be able to make the bulb glow? Explain with the help of a circuit diagram.

Ans.As shown in the diagram, the base of the light bulb connects to the positive terminal of the cell and the wire extends from the ribbed sides of the light bulb down to the negative terminal of the cell. A complete conducting loop is made with the light bulb being part of the loop. A circuit exists and charge flows along the complete conducting path and the bulb start lighting .



2. Fig. 12.10 A and B, show a bulb connected to a cell in two different ways.

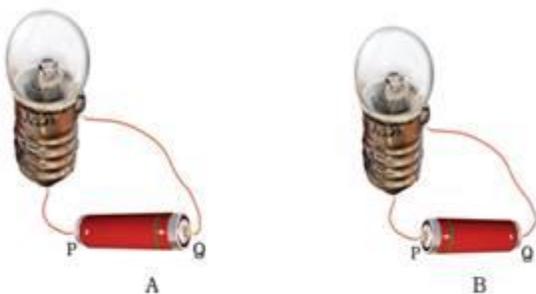


Fig. 12.10

(i) What will be the direction of the current through the bulb in both the cases. (Q to P or P to Q)

(ii) Will the bulb glow in both the cases?

(iii) Does the brightness of the glowing bulb depend on the direction of current through it?

Ans. (i) In case of Fig. 1, current flowing will be from Q to P, whereas in case of Fig 2 current flowing will be from P to Q, as current always flow from positive to the negative terminal of the electric cell.

(ii) Yes, because circuit is completed in both the cases.

(iii) No.

11. Think of six activities which use electric current. Also name the devices used to perform the activity.

Activity you perform	Device
Example: Get light	Torch
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Ans.

Activity you perform	Device
Example: Get light	Torch
Making sandwich	Sandwich maker
Cooking food	Heater/microwave
Heat water	Geyser/immersion rod
Listen to music	CD player/radio/i-pod

12. A torch is not functioning, though contact points in the torch are in working condition. What can be the possible reasons for this? Mention any three.

Ans. The reasons could be as follows:

- (a) Bulb may be fused, if the filament of the bulb is broken so circuit is not completed and hence the current not flow.
- (b) The cell may not be properly connected in series.
- (c) The switch may have a problem.

TEXTUAL EXERCISE

Question 1. Fill in the blanks:

- (i) A device that is used to break an electric circuit is called -----.
- (ii) An electric cell has ----- terminals.

Answer: (i) A device that is used to break an electric circuit is called **switch**.
(ii) An electric cell has **two** terminals.

Question 2. Mark 'True' or 'False' for following statements:

- (a) Electric current can flow through metals.
- (b) Instead of metal wires, a jute string can be used to make a circuit.
- (c) Electric current can pass through a sheet of thermocol.

Answer: (a) Electric current can flow through metal. **True**
(b) Instead of metal wires, a jute string can be used to make a circuit. **False**
(c) Electric current can pass through a sheet of Thermocol. **False**

Question 3. Explain why the bulb would not glow in the arrangement show in Fig.

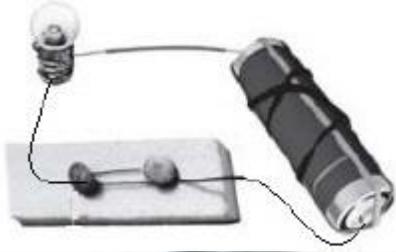


Answer: Bulb will not glow in the arrangement because the holder of the tester used in the connection is made of plastic which is an insulator. Thus, current will not flow in the circuit.

Question 4. Complete the drawing shown in Fig, to indicate where the free ends of the two wires should be joined to make the bulb glow.



Answer:



Question 5. What is the purpose of using an electric switch? Name some electrical gadgets that have switches built into them.

Answer: Switch is a simple device that is used to either break the electric circuit or to complete it.

Electric gadgets that have switches built into them are microwaves, freezers, rice cooker, automatic electric iron, toasters etc.

Question 6. Would the bulb glow after completing the circuit shown in Fig in the Q.4 if instead of safety pin we use an eraser?

Answer: No, because eraser is an insulator.

Question 7. Would the bulb glow in the circuit shown in Fig.?



Answer: No, the bulb will not glow because the wires from both terminals of the battery are connected to the one terminal of the bulb. In order to make the bulb glow, wires should be connected to the both terminals of the bulb.

Question 8. Using the “conduction tester” on an object it was found that the bulb begins to glow. Is that object a conductor or an insulator? Explain.

Answer: That object is conductor because electricity can pass through only a conductor and not through an insulator. Unless the object is conductor, the bulb could not glow.

Question 9. Why should an electrician use rubber gloves while repairing an electric switch at your home?

Answer: The rubber gloves are insulators. This saves the electrician from getting an electric shock. That is why an electrician uses rubber gloves, while repairing an electric switch.

Question 10. The handles of the tools like screwdrivers and pliers used by electrician for repair work usually have plastic or rubber covers on them. Can you explain why?

Answer: Plastic and rubber, both is bad conductor of electricity. Hence they protect against electric shock.



Class-VI Science
CHAPTER – 13
Fun with Magnets

Key words:

Magnets: Materials that attract iron, nickel and cobalt.

Natural magnet is called Iodestone or magnetite.

Magnetite is a natural magnet.

Magnet attracts materials like iron, nickel, cobalt. These are called magnetic materials. Materials that are not attracted towards magnet are called non-magnetic ex. aer, glass, cloth, lastic, rubber etc.

Magnetic force : The force by means of which a magnet attracts objects towards itself .

Poles of a magnet :- The ends of the magnet where maximum iron filings get collected are called the poles.

North pole :- The end pointing tows north is called the north seeking end or the North pole.

South pole :- The end pointing towards south is calle the south seeking or the South pole.

A freely suspended magnet always aligns in N-S direction.

Like poles repel , and unlike poles attract each other.

DIFFERNT TYPES AND SHAPE OF MAGNETS

Bar magnet

Ball-ended magnet (Dumb-bell)

Horseshoe magnet

Cylindrical magnet

Magnetic needle

Artificial magnet

Loadstone (natural magnet)

ring or disc shape magnet



Temporary magnets :- Temporary magnets last for a short time.(Iron bar magnets)

Permanent magnets :- Permanent magnets last for a long time. They are made from a steel or an alloy known as AlNiCo, a combination of aluminium, nickel and cobalt.

Classification of substances based on attraction to magnets:

Magnetic Substances: Materials which get attracted towards magnets. Example: copper, iron, nickel, etc.

Non-magnetic Substances: Materials which do not get attracted towards magnets. Example: wood, paper, plastic and most metals.

Methods to make your own Magnet:

Single Touch Method: When a magnet is used to rub an iron object along its length, starting from one end to another end like combing one's hair, the iron object gets magnetised.

Double Touch Method: When an iron bar (object) is rubbed by two powerful bar magnets of equal strength with their opposite poles at the centre, in opposite directions, the bar or the object becomes a magnet.

Using Electric Current: The bar to be magnetized is placed inside the coils of a conductor and current is passed through these coils of wire.

Properties of Magnet:

A magnet has two poles – north pole and south pole.

Similar poles repel each other.

Opposite poles attract each other.

Magnetic poles always exist in pairs.

There is no magnet like monopolar magnet. Magnet is always bipolar.

Applications of Magnet:

Compass needle: The compass is a small glass case containing a magnetised needle pivoted on an aluminium nail. The needle is free to rotate. It points north-south because the earth is also a giant magnet. The compass lines up with the earth's magnetic field.

Used in factories for lifting heavy masses of iron like scrap iron.

Call bells and door chimes use electromagnet.

Loudspeakers have permanent magnets.

Used by surgeons in hospitals to remove steel splinters from the wounds.

Used in the construction of telephones, electric bells, etc.

Used to separate iron and steel from non-magnetic materials.

DEMAGNETISATION , loss of magnetic property

A magnet may lose its magnetic property when it is ,

hammered

heated, or

dropped with a force and it strikes against a hard substance.

When two bar magnets are not stored with their like poles pointing in the same direction , each pole will destroy the other by induction.

TAKING CARE OF MAGNETS

When not in use the magnets should be stored in boxes made from non-magnetic materials like cardboard or wood. magnets should be protected with 'keepers '.

VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Fill in the blanks

- (i) When a bar magnet is broken; each of the broken part will have pole/poles.
(ii) In a bar magnet, magnetic attraction is near its ends.

Ans. (i) two (ii) more

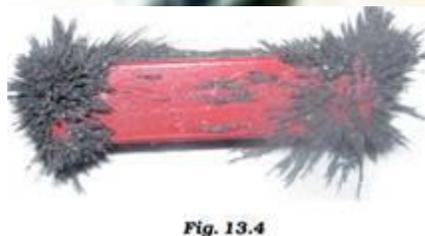
2. Paheli and her friends were decorating the class bulletin board. She dropped the box of stainless steel pins by mistake. She tried to collect the pins using a magnet. She could not succeed. What could be the reason for this?

Ans. This is because the pins are made of stainless steel which is a non-magnetic material and hence cannot be attracted by the magnet.

3. How would you test whether 'tea dust' is adulterated with iron powder or not.

Ans. This can be detected using a magnet. Iron being magnetic material will get attracted to the magnet and hence will prove the adulteration of the tea dust.

4. Boojho dipped a bar magnet in a heap of iron filings and pulled it out. He found that iron filings got stuck to the magnet as shown in Fig. 13.4.



(i) Which regions of the magnet have more iron filings sticking to it?

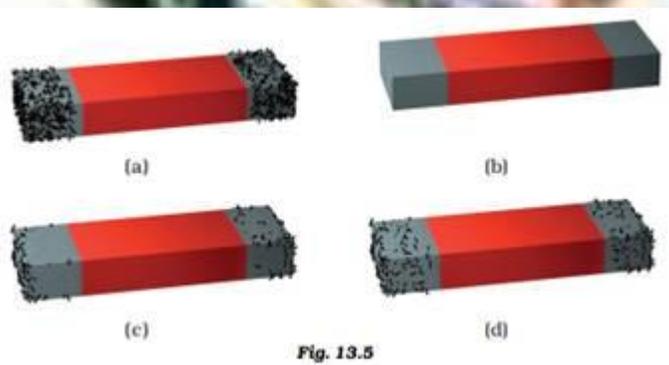
(ii) What are these regions called?

Ans. (i) Both the ends of the magnet has more iron fillings attached to it.

(ii) These regions are called poles of the magnet.

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Four identical iron bars were dipped in a heap of iron filings one by one. Fig. 13.5 shows the amount of iron filings sticking to each of them.



(a) Which of the iron bar is likely to be the strongest magnet?

(b) Which of the iron bars is not a magnet? Justify your answer.

Ans. (a) A because more number of fillings are attracted to the bar.

(b) B because there are no iron filings sticking to it.

2. A toy car has a bar magnet laid hidden inside its body along its length. Using another magnet how will you find out which pole of the magnet is facing the front of the car?

Ans. If the front of the toy car gets attracted to the north pole of the given magnet then it is the south pole of the hidden magnet is facing the front of the car

3. Match Column I with Column II (One option of A can match with more than one option of B)

Column I	Column II
(a) Magnet attracts	(i) rests along a particular direction
(b) Magnet can be repelled	(ii) iron
(c) Magnet if suspended freely	(iii) by another magnet
(d) Poles of the magnet can be identified by	(iv) iron fillings

Ans. (a) ii, iii and iv

(b) iii

(c) i

(d) iii

4. You are provided with two identical metal bars. One out of the two is a magnet. Suggest two ways to identify the magnet.

Ans. Ways to identify the magnet are as follows:

(1) By taking it close to iron filings. If it attracts and iron filings gets stuck then it is a magnet.

(2) Using another magnet to test attraction or repulsion.

LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Three identical iron bars are kept on a table. Two out of three bars are magnets. In one of the magnets the North-South poles are marked. How will you find out which of the other two bars is a magnet? Identify the poles of this magnet.

Ans. Using the marked magnet, we can easily find out which of the two is a magnet. When the marked magnet is brought closer any of the two bars the one showing attraction or repulsion, will be a magnet. The poles of the magnet can also be identified using the marked magnet. If one side of the bar is attracted to the north, then it is the south pole of the bar otherwise it is the north pole of the bar.

2. Describe the steps involved in magnetising an iron strip with the help of a magnet.

Ans. By rubbing the iron strip repeatedly against a magnet, the iron will acquire magnetizing property and acts as a magnet.

3. Fig. 13.6 shows a magnetic compass. What will happen to the position of its needle if you bring a bar magnet near it? Draw a diagram to show the effect on the needle on bringing a bar magnet near it. Also draw the diagram to show the effect when the other end of the bar magnet is brought near it.

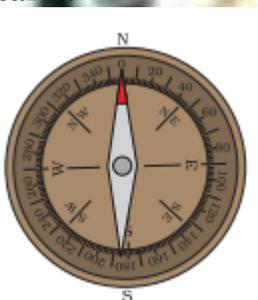


Fig. 13.6

Ans. The magnet generates a magnetic field due to which the needle will show deflection. The needle will show deflection in one direction for one pole.



3. Suggest an activity to prepare a magnetic compass by using an iron needle and a bar magnet.

Ans. Magnetise the needle and suspend it in a way so that it can rotate freely. Now when the north pole of the magnet is brought closer to the needle and it deflects that means the direction is south and the opposite direction is north.

4. Boojho kept a magnet close to an ordinary iron bar. He observed that the iron bar attracts a pin as shown in Fig. 13.7.



Fig. 13.7

What inference could he draw from this observation? Explain.

Ans. The magnetic properties from the magnet are induced into the iron bar and as a result it starts behaving like a magnet and attracts pins till the magnet is kept near it.

5. A bar magnet is cut into two pieces A and B, from the middle, as shown in Fig. 13.8.



Fig. 13.8

Will the two pieces act as individual magnets? Mark the poles of these two pieces. Suggest an activity to verify your answer.

Ans. Yes, The two pieces behave as separate magnets.



Fig. 13.8

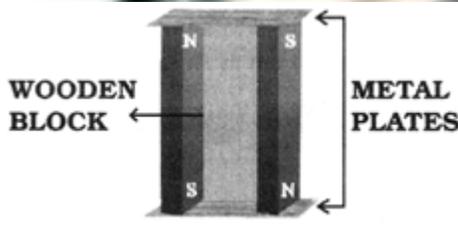
This can be proved by doing the test for repulsion. If we bring the north pole of the left magnet towards the red end of the right magnet then they will repel. Which proves that the red end of the right magnet is north pole and hence getting repelled by the north pole of another magnet. Therefore, the two pieces act as individual magnets.

5. Suggest an arrangement to store a U-shaped magnet. How is this different from storing a pair of bar magnets?

Ans. U shaped magnet (similar to a horse shoe) is stored by placing a metal plate across the two poles of the U-shaped magnet so that the magnetic field remains within the magnet.



Bar magnet is stored by placing two metal plates and one wooden block as per the following figure. The wooden block will prevent the interaction between the bar magnets.



TEXTUAL EXERCISE:

Question 1. Fill in the blanks in the following:

- (i) Artificial magnets are made in different shapes such as -----, -----and -----.
- (ii) The materials which are attracted towards a magnet are called -----.
- (iii) Paper is not a ----- material.
- (iv) In olden days, sailors used to find direction by suspending a piece of -----.
- (v) A magnet always has ----- poles.

Answer: (i) Artificial magnets are made in different shapes such as **bar magnets, horseshoe magnet and cylindrical or a ballended magnet.**

- (ii) The materials which are attracted towards a magnet are called **magnetic materials.**
- (iii) Paper is not a **magnetic** material.
- (iv) In olden days, sailors used to find direction by suspending a piece of **magnet.**
- (v) A magnet always has **two** poles.

Question 2. State whether the following statement are True or False:

- (i) A cylindrical magnet has only one pole.
- (ii) Artificial magnets were discovered in Greece.
- (iii) Similar poles of a magnet repel each other.
- (iv) Maximum iron filings stick in the middle of a bar magnet when it is brought near them.
- (v) Bar magnets always point towards North-South direction.
- (vi) A compass can be used to find East-West direction at any place.
- (vii) Rubber is a magnetic material.

Answer: (i) False (ii) False (iii) True (iv) False (v) True (vi) False (vii) False

Question 3. It is observed that a pencil sharpener gets attracted by both the poles of a magnet although its body is made of plastic. Name the material that might have been used to make some part of it.

Answer: The blade of the sharpener is made up of iron which is a magnetic substance which gets attracted by both the poles of a magnet although its body is made of plastic.

Question 4. Column I shows different positions in which one pole of a magnet is placed near that of the other. Column II indicates the resulting action between them for each situation. Fill in the blanks.

Column I	Column II
N-N	
N- ...	Attraction
S-N	
...- S	Repulsion

Answer:

Column I	Column II
N-N	Repulsion
N-S	Attraction
S-N	Attraction
S- S	Repulsion

Question 5. Write any two properties of a magnet.

Answer: Properties of magnet:

- Attracts object made of iron, nickel or cobalt.
- freely suspended magnet always directs north-south direction.

Question 6. Where are poles of a bar magnet located?

Answer: Poles of a bar magnet located at its two ends.

Question 7. A bar magnet has no markings to indicate its poles. How would you find out near which end is its north pole located?

Answer: To locate its north pole, we would do the following steps:

- A bar is taken and suspended freely from the middle with the help of thread.
- Allow the magnet to come into rest.
- The North pole of the magnet will face the north direction and South pole will face the south direction.
- Mark the north pole of the magnet with the marker.

Question 8. You are given an iron strip. How will you make it into a magnet?

Answer: Steps to make an iron strip into bar magnet:

- (i) A flat strip of iron is taken.
- (ii) On the iron strip, a bar magnet is placed and rubbed against it horizontally only in one direction.
- (iii) When you reached the end of the strip, lift the magnet and again start rubbing from the initial position.
- (iv) This process is repeated more than 4050 times.
- (v) After this, the iron strip will attained the property of magnet.

Question 9. How is a compass used to find directions?

Answer: A compass has a magnetic needle attached to it which can rotate freely. The magnet always points to north-south direction which is marked on compass and thus helps in finding direction.

Question 10. A magnet was brought from different directions towards a toy boat that has been floating in water in a tub. Effect observed in each case is stated in Column I. Possible reasons for the observed effects are mentioned in Column II. Match the statements given in Column I with those in Column II.

Column I	Column II
(i) Boat gets attracted towards the magnet.	(a) Boat is fitted with a magnet with North Pole towards its head.
(ii) Boat is not affected by the magnet.	(b) Boat is fitted with a magnet with a magnet with South Pole towards its head.
(iii) Boat moves towards the magnet if the north pole of the magnet is brought near its head.	(c) Boat has a small magnet fixed along its length.
(iv) Boat moves away from the magnet when north pole is brought near its head.	(d) Boat is made of magnetic material.
(v) Boat floats without changing its direction.	(e) Boat is made of non-magnetic material.

Answer: (i).(d), (ii).(e), (iii).(b), (iv).(a), (v).(c)

**Class-VI Science
CHAPTER – 14
Water**

Key points:

WATER : NATURAL GIFT

Water is an inexhaustible or renewable natural resource.

Three-fourths of the earth's surface is covered with water.

Nearly 70% of our body is made up of water and the rest is solid matter.

Water is essential for life.

Water which is fit for human consumption is known as **Fresh water** or **Potable water**.

Only 2.6% of total water is fresh water.

Only 0.01% of the total water reaches humans and animals.

SOURCES OF WATER

Rain water

Ground water

Surface water

Rivers and streams

Lakes and ponds

Sea water

STATES OF WATER

water on the earth exists in three states : solid , liquid and gas.

WATER AND ITS FORMS

Ice is the solid state of water.

Water is the liquid state of water.

Vapour or steam is the gaseous state of water.

· **Water Cycle:**

The cycle of processes by which water circulates between the earth's oceans, atmosphere, and land, involving precipitation as rain and snow, drainage in streams and rivers, and return to the atmosphere by evaporation and transpiration.

Water Conservation: It is the wise and judicious use of water.

Ways of conserving water:

Get all leaking taps repaired.

Use a bucket for taking bath instead of a shower.

Collect rainwater and use it for gardening and recharging ground water.

Wash your cycles, cars, etc. with a bucket of water instead of pipes.

Instead of washing the floor use a mop.

• Importance of Water:

Digestion of food takes place in the stomach when food is mixed with water.

Important medium for the transportation of food, oxygen and carbon dioxide in the body.

Water is used to produce electricity.

Water is essential for the germination of seeds.

Water helps in maintaining the body temperature.

Excess of water: When it rains or snow, some of the water is retained by soil. Its caused flood. It effects by damage property and endanger the lives of humans and animals. Rapid run-off causes soil erosion.

Lack of water: It is the lack of sufficient available **water** resources to meet **water** needs within a region. It cause drought like condition. It effect by acute water crisis, crop failure, loss of life in all forms due to starvation.

Rainwater Harvesting: Method of collecting rainwater and storing it for use during scarcity. It can be used for several purposes including drinking, washing, gardening, flushing, etc.

Water vapour gets added to air by evaporation and transpiration.

The water vapour in the air condenses to form tiny droplets of water, which appear as clouds. Many tiny water droplets come together and fall down as rain, snow or hail.

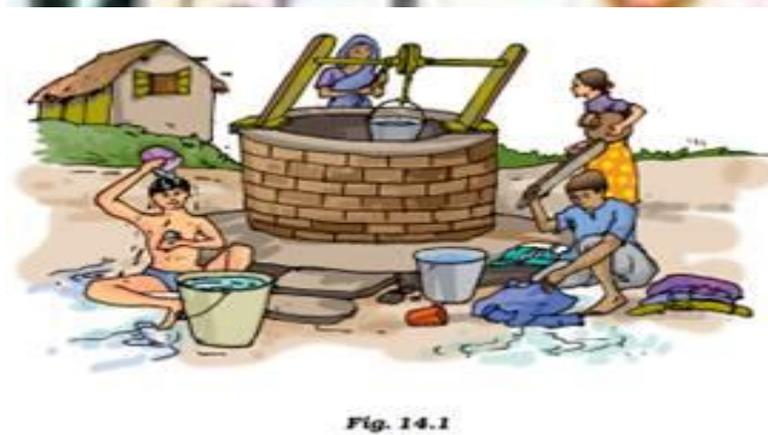
Rain, hail and snow replenish water in rivers, lakes, ponds, wells and soil.

Excessive rains may cause floods while lack of it for long periods may cause droughts.

The amount of usable water on earth is limited so it needs to be used carefully.

VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Look at Fig. 14.1.



Write down the activities shown in this figure in which water is being used.

Ans. Water is being used for washing clothes, drinking and bathing.

2. Write any two activities which require more than a bucket of water.

Ans. Washing clothes and irrigation require more than two buckets of water.

3. Write any two activities which require less than one bucket of water.

Ans. Brushing teeth and drinking require less than one bucket of water

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Why do wet clothes dried on a clothes line get dry after some time? Explain.

Ans. Wet clothes when dried on a clothes line get dry after sometime due to the evaporation of the water present in wet clothes and their conversion to water vapour.

2. Water kept in sunlight gets heat from the sun and is evaporated. But how does water kept under the shade of a tree also gets evaporated? Explain.

Ans. Water kept under the shade of a tree gets evaporated due to the heating up of the air during daytime due to presence of sun. The hot air provides heat and evaporates the water kept in shade.

3. How do the areas covered with concrete affect the availability of ground water?

Ans. Areas covered with concrete reduces the seepage of rain water into the ground. As water from concrete area flows into the drains thereby reducing the availability of ground water.

4. Why is there a need for conserving water? Give two reasons.

Ans. There is an urgent need to take necessary steps to conserve water even 70% of land is covered with it which is unfit for drinking. Two reasons can be

- a) Increased population
- b) decrease in the level of ground water

5. Fill in the blanks selecting words from the following list

snow, rain, clouds, vapour, evaporation, transpiration.

Water, as ____ goes into the atmosphere by the processes of ____ and ____, forms ____, which on condensation fall in the form of ____ and ____.

Ans. Water, as vapour goes into atmosphere by the processes of evaporation and transpiration, forms clouds which on condensation fall in the form of snow and rain.

LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS

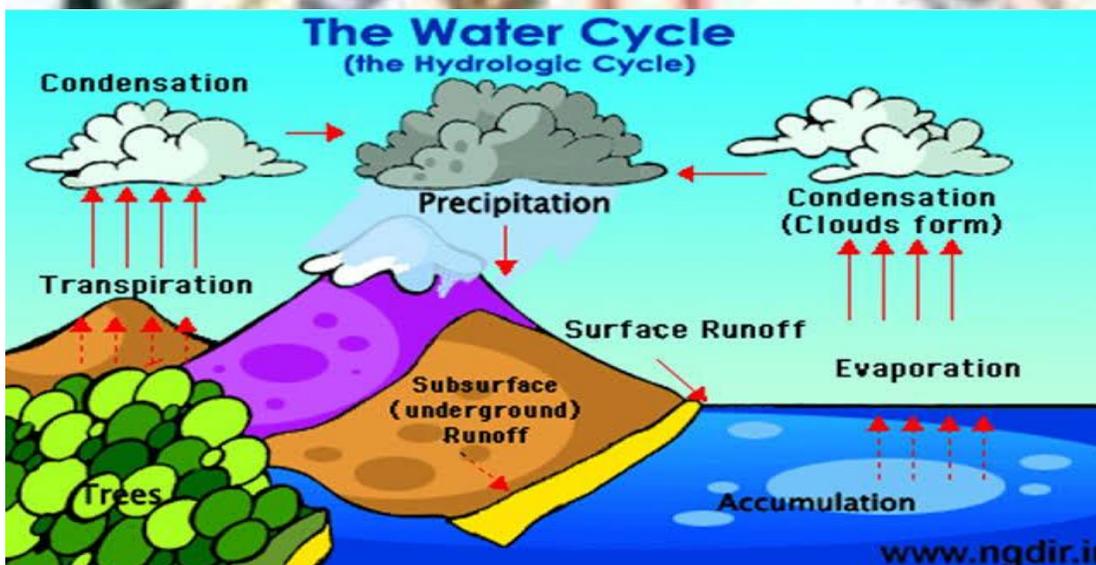
1. Most of the water that falls on the land as rain and snow, sooner or later goes back to a sea or an ocean. Explain how it happens?

Ans.The rain falling on the ground is a source of ground water. When it falls on the earth it gets seeps into ground and portion of it flows into other sources of water bodies like rivers, lake sand wells and then it flow into seas or oceans.

And when snow falls on the surface of the earth in the form of ice, snow or as a glacier. it melts and flows down in the form of rivers, lakes and gets merged with the ocean and seas.

2. Draw a diagram to show how sea water reaches a lake or pond.

Ans.



3. Dissolve two spoons of common salt in half a cup of water. Now if you want to get the salt back, what will you do?

Ans.To get the salt back we can heat the solution so that water can evaporate leaving the crystals of salt back. This can also be done if the solution is kept in sun for few hours. The water will get evaporated and crystals of salt will be left behind.

4. Explain the process of rooftop rain water harvesting with the help of a suitable diagram.

Ans.Rainwater containing soil from the roof is collected from the rooftop and is collected into a storage tank, through pipes. Second step is to filter the stored water. The water can also be transported into a pit in the ground. This then seeps into the soil to recharge or refill the ground water.

- (c) The process of water changing into its vapour, is called evaporation.
- (d) The evaporation of water takes place only in sunlight.
- (e) Water vapour condenses to form tiny water droplets of water in the upper layers of air where it is cooler.

Answer: (a) False, (b) False, (c) True, (d) False, (e) True.

Question 4. Suppose you want to dry your school uniform quickly. Would spreading it near an anghiti or heater help? If yes, how?

Answer: Yes, spreading it near an anghiti or heater will surely help as heater and anghiti are source of heat which vaporize the water of the wet clothes and thus help in drying.

Question 5. Take out a cooled bottle of water from refrigerator and keep it on a table. After some time you notice a puddle of water around it. Why?

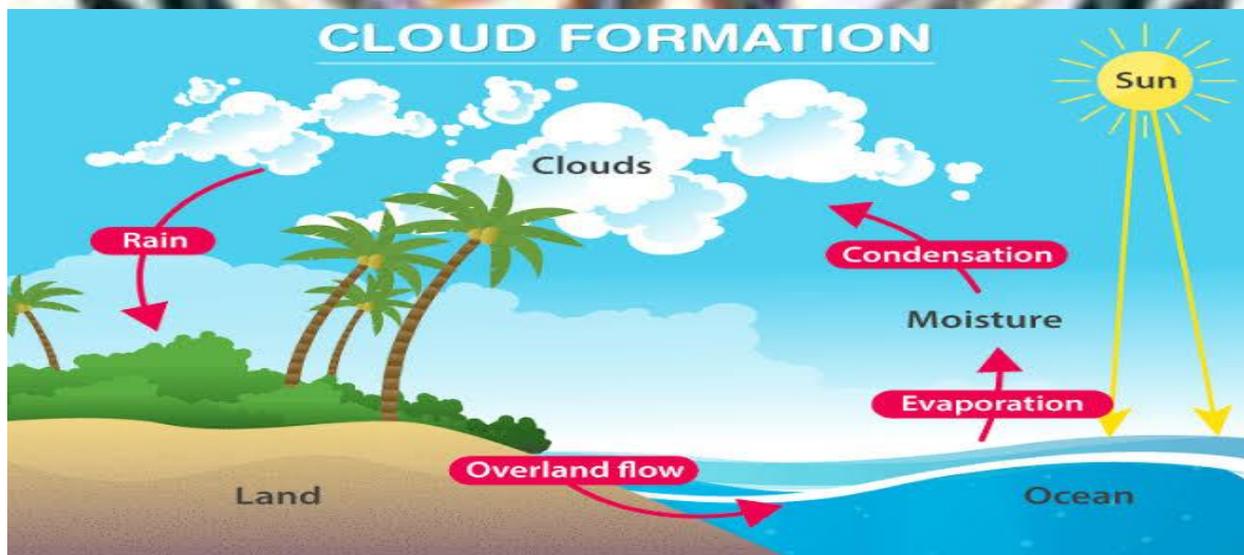
Answer: The puddle of water seen around the cooled bottle of water is due to the condensation effect as the water vapour present in the air around the bottle get condensed after colliding with bottle.

Question 6. To clean their spectacles, people often breathe out on glasses to make them wet. Explain why the glasses become wet?

Answer: When we breath out, water vapours also come out with exhaled air. These water vapours when come in contact with the glasses of spectacle make them wet.

Question 7. How are clouds formed?

Answer: The process of condensation plays an important role in formation of cloud. As water vapour goes higher from the surface of the earth, it gets cooler. When the air moves up, it gets cooler and cooler. At sufficient heights the air becomes so cool that the water vapour present in it condenses to form tiny water droplets. It is these tiny droplets that remain floating in air and appear to us as clouds.



Question 8. When does a drought occur?

Answer: If it does not rain for one or two years, the soil continuous to lose water by evaporation and

transpiration. Since, it is not being brought back by rain, the soil becomes dry. The level of water in ponds and wells of the region goes down and some of them may even dry up. The ground water may also become scarce. This may lead to drought.



Class–VI Science
Chapter – 15
Air Around Us

Key words:

Air: The invisible gaseous substance surrounding the earth, a mixture mainly of oxygen and nitrogen.

The blanket of air that surround the earth is called atmosphere.

Air is found everywhere. We cannot see air, but we can feel it.

Air in motion is called wind.

Air occupies space.

Air is present in water and soil.

Air is a mixture of nitrogen, oxygen, carbon dioxide, water vapour and a few other gases. Some dust particles may also be present in it.

Atmosphere is essential for life on earth.

Aquatic animals use dissolved air in water for respiration.

Plants and animals depend on each other for exchange of oxygen and carbon dioxide from air.

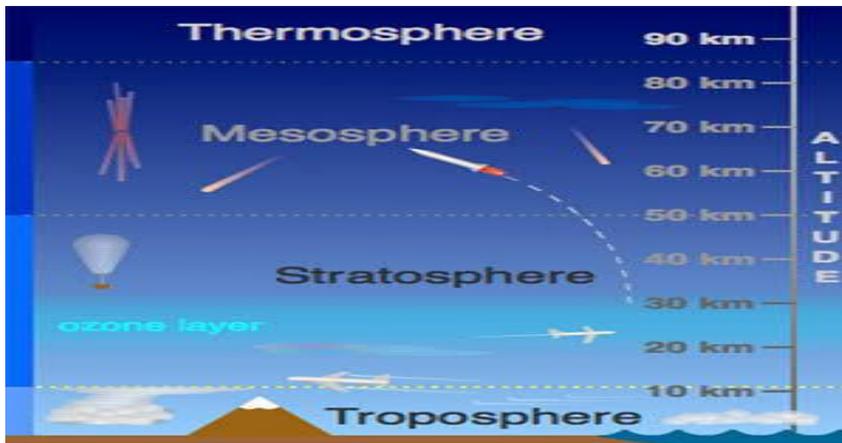
Diffrent Layers of Atmosphere

Troposphere

Stratosphere

Mesosphere

Thermosphere



Constituent of Air

Air contains mostly nitrogen and oxygen . Nitrogen is nearly 78% of the air . Oxygen is nearly 21% of the air. Rest 1% is carbon ioxide, water vaour, dust particles and some other gases. The composition of gases in air changes from place to place.

Nitrogen : Plants need nitrogen to grow.

Oxygen : Used by all living things to respire and help to burn things.

Carbon dioxide: Plants and animals consume oxygen and produce carbon dioxide during respiration. It is used by green plants for photosynthesis. It is released on burning.

Water Vapour: Formed due to evaporation of water. Amount of water vapour present in the air is called humidity. Varies from place to place and also in the same place during day and night.

5. Dust and Smoke: Smoke contains a few gases and fine dust particles. It is very harmful. Presence of dust particles in air varies from time to time and from place to place.

Importance of Air

Air aids burning.

Air is needed for breathing.

Plants need air to make food.

Birds fly in air. Aeroplanes also go up in the air because of air pressure.

Moving air is called wind. The wind makes the windmill rotate.

Air help in quick evaporation of sweat that helps in keeping us cool.

VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false, correct them.

- (a) Plants take in oxygen for respiration.
- (b) Plants release oxygen during the process of making their own food.
- (c) Air helps to move sailing yachts and gliders, but plays no role in the flight of birds and aeroplanes.
- (d) Air does not occupy any space.

Ans. (a) True (b) True
(c) False : Air also helps in the flight of birds and aeroplanes.
(d) False : Air occupies space.

2. In a number of musical instruments, air plays an important role. Can you name some such instruments?

Ans. Flute, shahnai, harmonium

3. In the boxes of Column I the letters of some words are jumbled up. Arrange them in proper form in the boxes given in Column II

Column I	Column II
(a) D I L L M W I N	(a) <input type="text"/>
(b) Y N O G X E	(b) <input type="text"/>
(c) M E S K O	(c) <input type="text"/>
(d) T U D S	(d) <input type="text"/>

Ans. (a) WINDMILL
(b) OXYGEN
(c) SMOKE
(d) DUST

4. Make sentences using the given set of words.

- (a) 99%, oxygen, nitrogen, air, together
- (b) Respiration, dissolved, animals, air, aquatic
- (c) Air, wind, motion, called

Ans. (a) Oxygen and nitrogen together make up 99 per cent of the air.
(b) Aquatic animals use dissolved air for respiration.
(c) Air in motion is called wind.

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. A list of words is given in a box. Choose the appropriate words from the box to fill up the blanks in the following statements.

Air, oxygen, wind, water vapour, mixture, combination, direction, road, bottles, cylinders.

- (a) The ____ makes the windmill rotate.
- (b) Air is a ____ of various gases.
- (c) A weather cock shows the ____ of the wind in that place.
- (d) Mountaineers carry oxygen ____ with them, while climbing high mountains.

Ans. (a) wind (b) mixture (c) direction (d) cylinders

2. Observe the picture given in Fig. 15.1 carefully and answer the following questions.



Fig. 15.1

- (a) What is policeman wearing to cover his nose and mouth ?
- (b) Why should he cover his nose?
- (c) Can you comment on air quality of the place shown in the Fig.15.1?

Ans. (a) A mask

(b) To save himself from the dirt and the polluted air.

(c) Air quality of the place is not good. This is due to the smoke, dust and gases released by the automobiles along with dust particles present in the air.

3. Garima observed that when she left her tightly capped bottle full of water in the open sunlight, tiny bubbles were formed all around inside the bottle. Help Garima to know why it so happened?

Ans. The tiny bubbles formed are due to the air dissolved in water trying to escape when the temperature is raised because of the heat from the sun.

4. Match the items of Column I with the items of Column II

Column I	Column II
(a) weather cock	(i) gases and fine dust particles
(b) mountaineers	(ii) sailing yacht
(c) fine hair inside the nose	(iii) oxygen cylinders
(d) smoke	(iv) direction of air flow
(e) wind	(v) prevent dust particles

Ans. (a) - (iv)

(b) - (iii)

(c) - (v)

(d) - (i)

(e) - (ii)

LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Explain the following observations very briefly

(a) A firki does not rotate in a closed area.

(b) The arrow of weather cock points towards a particular direction at a particular moment.

(c) An empty glass in fact is not empty.

(d) Breathing through mouth may harm you.

Ans. (a) Firki is rotated by the moving air. But in a closed room the air is still and hence cannot rotate the firki.

(b) The arrow of weather cock shows the direction of the wind at a particular moment.

(c) It is not empty because at that instant the glass is filled with air.

(d) Breathing through nose helps to reduce the entry of dust particles to some extent by obstructing the dust by the fine hair present inside the nostrils. But mouth has no such mechanism to eliminate the dust. Therefore it can be harmful.

2. Imagine and write what would happen if any of the following gases disappear from the atmosphere

(a) oxygen

(b) nitrogen

(c) carbon dioxide

Ans.a) Oxygen- If oxygen disappears from the atmosphere, then life would not exist on earth. Most living things use oxygen from air to live. Plants use oxygen during photosynthesis, animals use oxygen during respiration, oxygen is also required during burning. All these will not be possible without oxygen.

b) Nitrogen- Nitrogen is the most abundant gas in the air. All living things need nitrogen to make proteins. Plants require it to stay healthy which is not possible without nitrogen.

c) Carbon Dioxide- Plants require carbon dioxide to make their own food during photosynthesis. If carbon dioxide disappears from the atmosphere then plants cannot make their own food, which will make plants difficult to survive.

3. Paheli kept some water in a beaker for heating. She observed that tiny bubbles appeared before the water started to boil. She boiled the water for about 5 minutes and filled it in a bottle up to the brim and kept the bottle air tight till it cooled down to room temperature.

(a) Why did the tiny bubbles appear?

(b) Do you think tiny bubbles will appear on heating the water taken out from the bottle? Justify your answer.

Ans. (a) Bubbles appear because the solubility of air decreases when the temperature is raised.

(b) No, tiny bubbles will not appear as there is no dissolved air in this water.

4. On a Sunday morning Paheli's friend visited her home. She wanted to see some flowering plants in the nearby garden. Both of them went to the garden. While returning from the garden they also observed some flowering plants on the road side. But to their surprise they found that the leaves

and flowers of these roadside plants were comparatively very dull. Can you help them to know why?

Ans. The roadside plants are not watered regularly and are also exposed to regular dust and soot from the road and passing vehicles which deposited over them and consequently appears dull.

TEXTUAL EXERCISE

Question 1. What is the composition of air?

Answer: Various components of air are:

- (a) Nitrogen - 78.11%
- (b) Oxygen - 20.95%
- (c) Carbon dioxide - 0.03%
- (d) Other gases
- (e) Water vapour
- (f) Dust particles

Question 2. Which gas in the atmosphere is essential for respiration?

Answer: Oxygen gas in the atmosphere is essential for respiration.

Question 3. How will you prove that air support burning?

Answer: Step I: Two shallow containers are taken and burning candles are fitted into it.

Step II: Now, water is filled in the container at two different levels.

Step III: Both the candles are then covered with glass.

Step IV: After sometimes, we observed that the candles having less water in its container lights off.

This happened because the container having more water contains more oxygen and therefore it burnt for more time.

Thus, it is proved that air supports burning.



Question 4. How will you show that air is dissolved in water?

Answer: When a tumbler containing water is heated, tiny bubbles appear on the inner side. These bubbles appear before the water starts boiling. So, these must be air bubbles. This shows that water contain air.

Question 5. Why does a lump of cotton wool shrink in water?

Answer: A lump of cotton wool shrinks in water because the air inside wool cotton is driven out by water. The layers stick together and hence lump shrinks.

Question 6. The layer of air around the earth is known as _____.

Answer: Atmosphere.

Question 7. The component of air used by green plants to make their food, is _____.

Answer: Carbon dioxide.

Question 8. List five activities that are possible due to the presence of air.

Answer: Five activities that are possible due to the presence of air:

- (i) Helps in seed dispersal and pollination.
- (ii) Sailing of ships.
- (iii) Flying of the birds and kites.
- (iv) Gives us oxygen to respire.
- (v) Helps in the rotation of windmill.

Question 9. How do plants and animals help each other in exchange of gases in the atmosphere?

Answer: In photosynthesis, plants take carbon dioxide and give out oxygen. The animals breath in oxygen in respiration and carbon dioxide is given out which is again used by plants for photosynthesis, that is, preparation of food by plants.

This is how plants and animals help each other in the exchange of gases in the atmosphere.

Class–VI Science
CHAPTER – 16
Garbage in, Garbage out

Key words:

Waste: A material that has no longer any value to the person who is responsible for it.

Sources of Waste:

(i) Domestic (Household) Wastes: fruit and vegetable peeling, polypacks, bottle, garbage, rubbish, excreta, ashes, sullage are domestic wastes.

(ii) office and Industrial wastes: wastes produced by industries. The common industrial wastes are smoke, plastic, objects, glass, fly ash, etc.

(iii) Agricultural wastes: common agricultural wastes are rice husk, dried stems and straw, weeds and cattle waste.

(iv) Commercial wastes: wastes generated from commercial establishments such as shops, malls, stores, restaurants, hotels, motels, printing press, auto-repair shops, medical facilities.

Type of wastes:

(i) Biodegradable wastes: Wastes which can be broken down through the action of microorganisms into their simple constituents. Example: plant products, organic wastes, domestic refuse and animal wastes.

(ii) Non-biodegradable wastes: Wastes which cannot be disintegrated by action of microorganisms and remains unaffected from decomposition. Example: plastics, glass, metal, scraps, etc.

(iii) Plastics: Many things are made up of plastics like bags, shoes, bottles, pipes, pens, etc. it cannot be converted into less harmful substances by composting.

ill effect of Plastics:

- (a) Burning emits poisonous gases which cause health problems.
- (b) Foods thrown in plastic bags are eaten by stray animals which can lead to death.
- (c) Carelessly thrown plastic bags choke sewer system.
- (d) Food stored in bad quality plastics can be harmful.

Management of Plastics:

- (a) Do not throw plastics here and there after use.
- (b) Do not burn plastic bags and other plastic items.
- (c) Use paper or cloth bags in place of plastic bags.
- (d) Educate friends and family members about the proper disposal of plastics.

Management and Disposal of Waste:

- (a) **3R's** – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. It means the **reduce** waste production, **reuse** of materials and **recycle** and reprocessing of waste materials for making new products.
- (b) **Landfills or Composting:** Converting plant and animal waste including that from kitchen, into manure, is called composting. Low lying open areas to deposit biodegradable waste.
- (c) **Vermi-composting:** Method of preparing compost with the help of red worms. Excreta of the worms make the compost very rich in nutrients.

Use of two type of dustbins GREEN AN RED . The Green one is for biodegradable waste, while the red garbage bin is for non-biodegradable waste.

Landfill is an area where the garbage collected from a city or town is dumped. The area is later converted into a park.

Paper can be recycled to get useful products.

Plastics cannot be converted into less harmful substances by the process of composting.

We need to generate less waste and find ways of dealing with the increasing amount of garbage in our surroundings.

VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Read the items mentioned in Columns I and II and fill in the related process in the Column III

Column I	Column II	Column III
(a) Organic waste	Earthworms	(i)
(b) Garbage	Dig pit and fill with garbage	(ii)
(c) Old newspaper	Paper bags	(iii)

Ans. (i) vermicomposting

(ii) garbage disposal/landfill

(iii) recycle

2. Correct the definitions of certain terms given below by changing only one word.

(i) **Compost:** Substances converted into manure for use in industries.

(ii) **Landfill:** Garbage buried under water in an area.

(iii) **Recycling:** Reuse of unused material in the same or another form.

Ans. (i) change industries by fields or agricultural fields

(ii) change water and write soil

(iii) change unused by used

3. Provide the suitable term that expresses the meaning of each of the following statements.

(a) Greeting cards made from newspaper.

(b) Contents of the waste bins.

(c) Worms converting certain kinds of waste into manure.

(d) An area where a lot of garbage is collected, spread out and covered with soil.

Ans. (a) Recycling

(b) Garbage

(c) Vermicomposting

(d) Landfill

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. To what use can you put the following kinds of garbage and how?

- (i) rotting smelly garbage
- (ii) dry leaves collected in a garbage
- (iii) old newspapers

Ans. (i) Convert into compost.
(ii) Use as manure.
(iii) Recycle them and make paper bags or Papier-mâché for handicrafts.

2. Paheli was writing a letter to her friend. She crumpled and threw the first draft of her letter on the floor as it had become untidy. Similarly, she crumpled and threw 6 more papers on the ground. In the end, she picked them up and put them in a polythene bag and threw it on the road outside her house. Do you think Paheli's action were responsible? What would you have done if you were in her place?

Ans. She can use the paper for doing rough work or convert it into paper pulp for making many handicraft items.

3. Read the poem written below and then answer the questions from the information gathered from the book or elsewhere.

Blue and Green

Two bins, you mean?

Yes, they are there

to throw your waste.

But not in a hurry

Nor in a haste.

Select from waste, sieve if seems muddy

Separate all items and when they are ready

Place in a blue bin, or one that is green

For a voyage to the landfill, or for composting.

(i) Name the two kinds of waste that need to be separated from each other in two different waste bins.

(ii) Name two items of waste each that need to be sent to a (a) landfill, (b) for composting.

Ans. (i) The waste that are biodegradable waste and can be decomposed by bacteria or earthworms from non-biodegradable wastes that cannot be degraded or decomposed..

(ii) (a) any metal items

(ii) (b) Kitchen waste, animal dung

4. Beera, a farmer would clear his field every day, and bum dry leaves fallen on the ground. After some time he found that those living in huts near his field were suffering from cough and breathing problems.

(i) Can you explain why?

(ii) Also suggest an environment friendly way to dispose the dry leaves.

Ans. (i) Fumes and gases released by the burning of materials causes cough and breathing problem

(ii) Dry leaves can be converted to useful compost.

LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Put a tick (✓) against the garbage items given in Table which could be converted into manure.

Put a cross (×) against the others.

Garbage Items	Make manure or not
(i) Egg shells	
(ii) Straw	
(iii) Dry flowers	
(iv) Pebbles	
(v) Broken pieces of glass	
(vi) Nails and screws	
(vii) Plastic bangles	
(viii) Left over food	
(ix) Steel broken vessel	
(x) Dead animals	

Ans.

Garbage Items	Make manure or not
(i) Egg shells	√
(ii) Straw	√
(iii) Dry flowers	√
(iv) Pebbles	(×)
(v) Broken pieces of glass	(×)
(vi) Nails and screws	(×)
(vii) Plastic bangles	(×)
(viii) Left over food	√
(ix) Steel broken vessel	(×)
(x) Dead animals	√

2. The pie charts A and B shown in Fig. 16.1 are based on waste segregation method adopted by two families X and Y respectively.

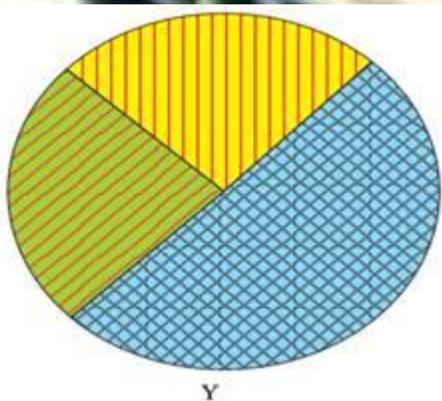
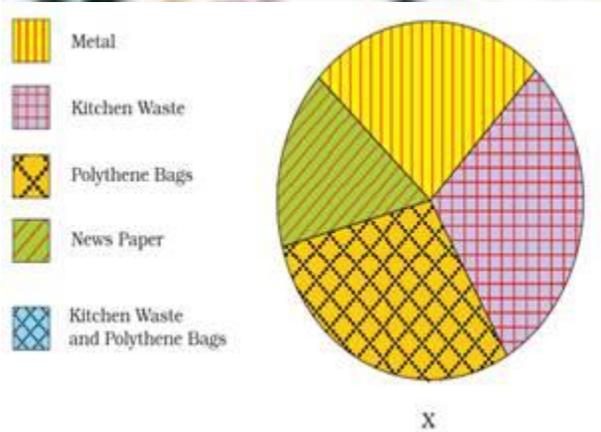


Fig. 16.1

Which of the two families X or Y do you think is more environmentally conscious and why?

Ans. Family X is more conscious about environment because the kitchen waste and polythene bags are disposed of separately.

3. Given below are steps in vermicomposting and each step has been given an alphabet. Rearrange the steps in the correct sequence and write the alphabets on the chart provided. One step is done for you.

- F : Dig a pit in a suitable place in your garden.
- C : Spread sand on the floor of the pit.
- E : Add vegetable peels and fruits waste in the pit.
- A : Sprinkle water to keep it moist.
- D : Place red worms in the pit.
- B : Cover with a gunny bag or grass.

Step	Alphabet
1	F
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	



Ans.

Step	Alphabet
1	F
2	C
3	E
4	B
5	A
6	D

4. Write 3 sentences on what comes to your mind when you chance to see the following.

(a) A rag picker.

(b) A cow eating a polythene bag.

(c) Foul odour emanating from garbage at the entrance of your house.

Ans. (a) He must be very poor and facing poverty hence needs to remove the garbage generated by others. This job is quite risky for him because he is getting exposed to harmful substances and most likely to infect by many diseases caused by germs and harmful microorganisms.

(b) Plastic is non-biodegradable and hence very harmful for animals. If cow ingest a plastic it will choke their digestive system which lead to slow and painful death.

(c) Large quantity of garbage is generated which start rotting and cause air pollution . it will soon removed from entrance of the home and disposed carefully .

5. Beautiful hand crafted articles like boxes and toys are made of paper pulp in our country. Can you explain how paper pulp which is made from paper can be used to make hard boxes and other articles?

Ans. The paper pulp can be solidified by using plaster of Paris or a layer of clay over the layer of paper pulp. The structure of paper pulp can also be covered by a layer of cement to solidify it. This is also known as papier-mâché ,its a paste of paper pulp and clay to form toys and boxes.

6. Recently, a ban on plastic bags has been imposed in many places? Is the ban justified? Give reasons in three sentences.

Ans. I strongly believe plastic bags must be banned as,

They are often used to fill garbage in them and are thrown away in the open. It proves fatal for the stray animals which consume this.

Plastic bags thrown carelessly end up in the drains and finally choking them.

They give out harmful gases on heating or burning which causes respiratory problems and also result in air pollution. Therefore, it must be banned. Instead of using plastic bags, people can use cotton, paper or jute bags.

7. Why should we not burn plastic items?

Ans. Burning of plastic releases harmful gases into the atmosphere leading to air pollution and causing diseases. The burning process is not that easy and the burnt particles may be eaten up by the animals which may choke their system and cause their death. The burnt particles are toxic and may lead to soil pollution.

8. What happens when

- (a) Cooking medium is made to flow down a drain.
- (b) Insecticides, motor oil, paints are poured down the drain.
- (c) Tea leaves, cotton swabs and old soft toys are thrown into the drain.

Ans. (a) It clogs the pores in the soil and leads to blockage of pipes.

(b) Kill useful microbes required to purify water.

(c) Choke the drains.

9. Answer the following questions in one or two words or sentences:

- (a) Why should we prefer to use paper bags rather than polythene bags?
- (b) Who, out of the following should properly dispose of the garbage - father, mother, elder brother, younger sister?
- (c) Which one out of beetles, roundworm and earthworm are used for vermicomposting and why?

Ans. (a) Paper can be recycled and reused while polythene bags are non-biodegradable.

(b) Every member should do it.

(c) Earthworms. They convert waste from plants and animals or their product into compost and therefore known as farmers friend.

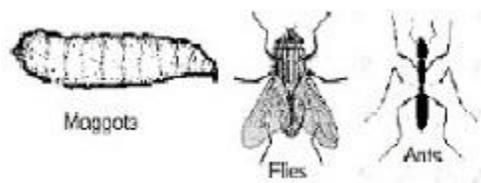
TEXTUAL EXERCISE

Question 1. (a) What kind of garbage is not converted into compost by the earthworms?

(b) Have you seen any other organism besides earthworm, in your pit? If yes, try to find out their names. Draw pictures of these.

Answer: (a) Plastic bags, tins, bottles, glass, aluminium foils, broken bangles.

(b) Yes, these organisms include maggots, flies, cockroaches etc.



Question 2. Discuss:

(a) Is garbage disposal the responsibility only of the government?

(b) Is it possible to reduce the problems relating to disposal of garbage?

Answer: (a) No, garbage disposal is not only the responsibility of the government. It is sole responsibility of both government and the people. People should not litter at public places. They should also take care for the effective disposal of the waste produced at home, schools, hospitals etc.

(b) Yes, it is possible to reduce the problems relating to disposal of garbage by taking following measures:

People should concern about generating less waste products and creating awareness among them.

Each and every product should be used efficiently.

Biodegradable and nonbiodegradable wastes should be separated.

Waste products or garbage must be recycled and setting up centre for the treatment of them.

Question 3.

(a) What do you do with the leftover food at home?

(b) If you and your friends are given the choice of eating in a plastic plate or a banana leaf platter at a party, which one would you prefer and why?

Answer: (a) We usually throw the left over food outside our homes. But kitchen wastes are biodegradable, so left over food at home should be dumped into compost pits so that it gets converted into manure after some days.

(b) I will prefer to eat in banana leaf because it is a biodegradable product and environment friendly and can be decomposed.

Question 4.

(a) Collect pieces of different kinds of paper. Find out which of these can be recycled.

(b) With the help of a lens look at the pieces of paper you collected for the above question. Do you see any difference in the material of recycled paper and a new sheet of paper?

Answer: (a) Papers without having plastic coating on it can be recycled.

(b) The recycled is slightly yellowish in color than the new sheet of paper. Recycled paper is also rough and of low quality than new sheet of paper.

Question 5.

(a) Collect different kinds of packaging material. What was the purpose of which each one was used? Discuss in groups.

(b) Give an example in which packaging could have been reduced?

(c) Write a story on how packaging increases the amount of garbage.

Answer:

(a)

Paper packet	light food items.
Card board	Crockery
Plastic covers	clothes, dresses.
Glass covers	show pieces.
Wooden boxes	delicate items.

(b) If people started carrying their own carry bags for buying groceries and vegetables and fruits then there will be no need for packing those materials by using plastics and thus the packaging could have been reduced.

(c) Packaging increase the amount of garbage as the it is quite useless ones the product is delivered or been utilised. These useless packaging materials are thrown away and just add loads to the garbage. Many packaging materials can't even be reused. Some of them are made of plastics and thus a nonbiodegradable item which add hazards to the environment.

Question 6. Do you think it is a better to use compost instead of chemical fertilizers? Why?

Answer: Yes, i think it is better to use compost instead of chemical fertilisers because:

(i) It is environment friendly and add natural fertility to the soil.

(ii) It doesn't have adverse effect on nature and creates no pollution.

(iii) The food items grown are also healthy and do not contains any chemicals.

(iv) It is cheaper than the chemical fertiliser.

(v) Soil will never loss its fertility if we use compost.