

Lesson - 1

The Earliest People

1 Define human evolution?

The human evolution is a process of change by which modern humans evolved from early human ancestors over millions of years. Modern humans originated from ape-like creatures.

2 Who were hominids?

It is believed that the early humans who first appeared on the earth were ape-like creatures. They could not walk straight. These ape-like creatures were called hominids.

3 What are the sources of history?

The sources of history are the fossils, stone tools and cave paintings.

4 Write a brief note on the evolution of humans.

The early humans who first appeared on the earth were ape-like creatures. These creatures were called hominids. Gradually changes occurred in their body. They could now stand erect. Their fingers became more flexible and they developed a grip to hold things firmly. These were called homo erectus. Then emerged the homo-sapiens which literally means thinking wise man.