

From Shelters to Village-settlements

Chapter 7: From Shelters to Village-settlements · Topic 1

Key Concept

Early humans used simple shelters like caves and huts made from natural materials to protect themselves from weather and predators.

As farming developed, people began building more permanent structures near their fields, gradually forming small settlements.

These settlements grew into villages with multiple homes, shared spaces, and early forms of community organisation.

Village settlements allowed for cooperation, shared resources, and development of early trade between neighbouring communities.

Quick Revision Notes

- Early shelters: caves, huts from natural materials.
- They protected from weather, predators.
- Farming led to more permanent structures.
- These were built near fields.
- Small settlements grew into villages.
- Villages had multiple homes, shared spaces.
- This allowed cooperation, shared resources.
- It also allowed early trade between communities.

Practice Questions

- 1 Discuss the progression from shelters to villages.
- 2 Draw an early human shelter.
- 3 Discuss why villages formed near farmland.
- 4 Research an early village settlement.
- 5 Discuss the benefits of living in a village community.
- 6 Explain how trade might have started between villages.