

Answer sheet 1

I. Fill in the blanks.

1. The first humans are thought to have appeared in Africa.
2. Our earliest ancestors who are believed to be apes, started walking on two legs.
3. Humans became fully erect beings about 1.8 million years ago.
4. We know about prehistory by studying the objects used by our ancestors.
5. The development in posture, hands and brain helped humans in adapting to the environment.

II. Write true or false.

1. The Homo Erectus appeared 5000 years ago **False**
2. The Homo Erectus resembled modern day humans. **True**
3. The Homo Erectus walked on all four limbs. **False**
4. The Homo Erectus could not grip things firmly. **False**
5. The Homo Erectus had well developed brains. **True**

III. Match the following.

Column A
1. Learning to walk on both feet
2. The development of an opposable thumb
3. A larger brain

Column B
a. Helped in grasping things better (2)
b. Helped to think, plan and innovate (3)
c. Freed the hands (1)

IV. Answer in short.

1. Compare the food of the early man with what you eat today. How is it different?
2. Mention three things that would have been different in our lives if our ancestors had not learnt to walk on two legs.

V. Answer in detail.

1. Imagine you are an early man or woman living one million years ago. Write about a moment of fear, joy or sadness that you might have experienced then.