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## LESSON 17

### MAN'S JOURNEY THROUGH TIME

#### NOTES:

#### Summary

Man's Journey Through Time tells us about how life has evolved. Scientists know of the progress of life through fossil fuels. Men were evolved from apes.

The important stage in the process of evolution was the Homo-Habilis. At this stage, men eat uncooked food as they didn't know the use of fire. They hunted with groups using stone instruments.

The next stage was Homo-Erectus. At this stage, men could stand and walk erect. They knew the use of fire. The Homo-Erectus developed into the modern man called the Homo Sapiens. The Homo Sapiens extinct but one group called the Neanderthals evolved. The Neanderthals lived in Europe and Western Asia.

The Neanderthals again extinct and a new group called the Cro-Magnon evolved. They were believed to be the direct ancestors of modern men. These people went hunting wild animals with friends, eat meat and used hide for making their clothes. They lived in cave and knew the use of fire. They gradually left the caves and lived in plains. Men learnt about agriculture and writing which led to civilization.

#### Word Meaning

- *Evolved: developed gradually*
- *Migrated: moved from one place to another*
- *Erect: straight*
- *Extinct: no longer in existence*
- *Hide: animal skin which can be used as leather*