

Q1. Make a precis of the given passage, also give a suitable heading" (20)

The official name of our species is homo sapiens; but there are many anthropologists who prefer to think of man as homo Faber-the smith, the maker of tools It would be possible. I think, to reconcile these two definitions in a third. If man is a knower and an efficient doer, it is only because he is also a talker In order to be Faber and Sapiens, Homo must first be loquax, the loquacious one. Without language we should merely be hairless chimpanzees. Indeed we should be some thing much worse. Possessed of a high IQ but no language, we should be like the Yahoos of Gulliver's Travels- Creatures too clever to be guided by instinct, too Self-centered to live in a state of animal grace, and therefore condemned forever, frustrated and malignant, between contented apehood and aspiring humanity. It was language that made possible the accumulation of knowledge and the broadcasting of information. It was language that permitted the expression of religious insight, the formulation of ethical ideals, the codification to laws, It was language, in a word, that turned us into human beings and gave birth to civilization.

Importance of Language

Scientifically, man is a knower and effective due to its language. The language is a main source of communication through which a man gets knowledge, expresses its basic beliefs, makes law and order and share moral values. Without language and by possessing high intelligent quotient (IQ) man would be like the people of stone age. Thus, language converted people of the old age into human beings and into civilization.

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