

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.

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Title : language : Cradle of Civilization

Human Species is officially called as Homo Sapiens. But, still some anthropologists ^{preferably} term Humans as Homo Faber. ~~Reading of author~~ The author suggests to combine these two definitions to create a new one. The author defines humans as communicators, emphasizing that our ability to talk and exchange information is crucial for knowledge and action. Without communication, humans ~~are~~ are inferior to animals. Significance of language is that it helped in gathering and transmitting knowledge including religious teachings and moral principles. ^{So} It is through language that highly intelligent animals evolved into human civilizations.

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