



## Homework.

1. How do coins help to study history?

A- Coins are important sources of information as:

- Very often the name of the ruler and the year in which the coin was issued was engraved on it.
- Some of them depict battle scenes.
- Some have the faces of kings and queens.
- Some coins also depict scenes from the life of the rulers.

2. Mention any three reasons of studying history.

A- • We learn history to understand who our ancestors were and thus help us to have an identity of our own.

- To learn from mistakes made in the past and thus learn to make better decisions in the present and future.

- To know our past so as to understand our present better.

3. What are the three written sources of ancient Indian history? Describe any one of them.

A- The three written sources of ancient Indian history are:

- Religious literature
- Secular literature
- The account of travellers.

• Religious literature: Vedas, the Ramayana and the Tripitakas provide a wealth of knowledge about India's ancient past.

• By studying these books, historians are able to understand the nature of society, religion and politics at that time.

• The Vedas gave historians information about a period in history about which nothing was known — The beginning of the Vedic age from around 1500 BCE.