



Class - III EVS December Month Notes

16. Water in Our Lives

I. Know These Terms:

Domestic: Relating to the running of a home or to family relations

Earthen : Made of baked or fired clay

Reservoir: A Place where something is stored

II. Give reasons for the following statement:

1. Tap water should be boiled or filtered before drinking.

The water that comes in the taps is not clean and fit for drinking. This is why, it should be boiled or filtered before drinking.

2. Never put your hand into containers containing drinking water.

We should not put hands into containers containing drinking water because our hands may contain germs and bacteria which can make the water dirty and unfit for drinking.

3. A Jug can hold more water than a glass.

A jug can hold more water than a glass because different vessels can hold different amounts of water depending on their size.

4. Store water in a clean and covered container.

We should store water in clean and covered containers to protect it from getting dirty by dust particles, germs and bacteria.

III. Answer the following questions.

1. What is rainwater harvesting?

When the rainwater is collected and stored in underground reservoirs, it is known as rainwater harvesting. It is done to save water. The water is then used for washing, cleaning and other activities.

2. How does water from rivers reach our taps?

Water from rivers and lakes reaches our homes through pipelines. It is then stored in huge overhead or underground tanks. From where, it comes to the taps in our houses.

3. What is underground water? How is it drawn out?

The rainwater that seeps into the ground and settles under the ground is called underground water. It is drawn out by digging wells, hand pumps and tube wells.

4. Write three ways to make water safe for drinking.

Water can be made safe for drinking by filtration or boiling as either of these kill the germs present in the water.