

## Lesson – 15

### Making pots

#### **I. Fill in the blanks:**

1. Pots are made from clay.
2. We can dig clay out of the ground using a trowel.
3. The art of making earthen pots is known as pottery.
4. We knead clay with water.
5. A person who makes pots is a potter.
6. Baking the pots makes them stronger.
7. The pots are baked in a kiln.

#### **Home work**

**Paste pictures of some things which are made of clay.**

#### **II. Answer the following:**

##### **1. Why do we use clay to make dishes and pots?**

We use clay to make dishes and pots because;

- It is cheap and easy to get.
- It can be moulded into different useful shapes.
- It can be easily decorated.

##### **2. What is Potter's wheel?**

Potter's wheel is a wheel which helps the potter to make better pots at a faster speed.

##### **3. During earlier days, when people did not have any pots, what did those people do?**

When people did not have pots, they used leaves and shells of pumpkin to hold something.

#### 4. How can we prepare a bowl from a ball of clay?

- Knead clay and make a big ball.
- Using the thumb make a small pit in the centre by pressing.
- Leave it to dry and then decorate it.

#### 5. Why are the clay pots baked in fire?

The clay pots could be made stronger by baking them in fire. So the clay pots are baked in fire.

#### 6. What are the different methods involved in pottery?

The two different techniques of pottery are

- hand built pottery and
- wheel thrown pottery.

### Home work

#### Draw a potter's wheel

### III. Answer in detail:

#### 1. Write about the different methods involved in hand built pottery.

Different methods involved in hand built pottery are

- pinch pot,
- coil pot and
- slab pot.

i) **Pinch pot:** made by kneading the clay and pressing it into the shape of dish, bowl, cup or pot.

ii) **Coil pot:** the clay is made into long, round clips coiled and stacked to form other shapes.

iii) **Slab pot:** Slabs of clay are used to form clay boxes or other geometric shapes.