

Making Pots

Key Points

- In olden times people made clay pots for storing food grains.
- Pots could be made stronger by baking on fire.

Q1) What is pottery ?

The art of making earthen pots is known as pottery.



Q2) What are the different methods of Pot making?

- Pinch Method
- Coil method or ring method
- Slab method
- Wheel method

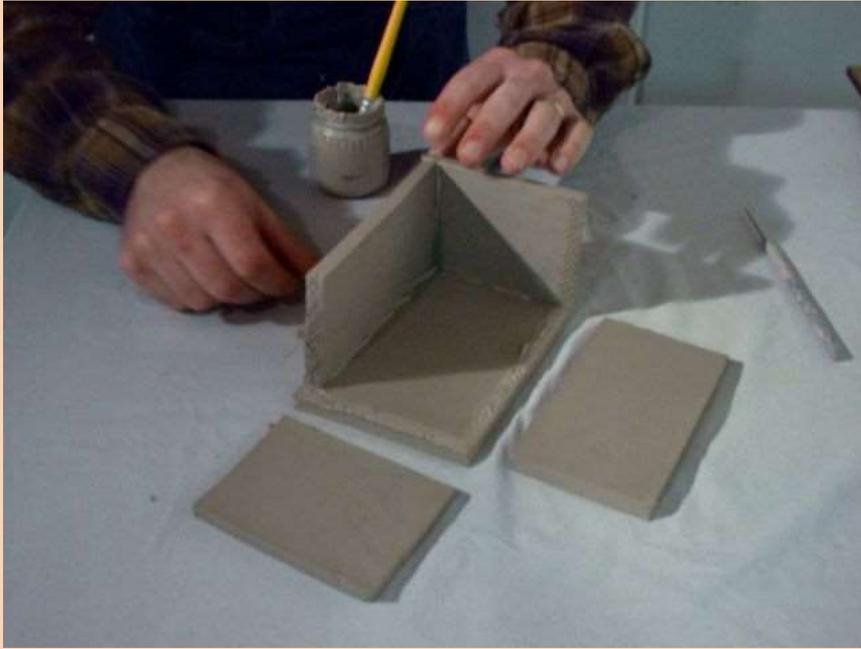
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Q3) What are the steps involved in pot making ?

kneading



- – collecting soil and preparing dough

Shaping



- shaping the dough by using different methods

Drying



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– Drying the pots in the sun light.

Baking



– Baking the pots to make them stronger in a kiln

Decorating



– Decorate using different colours and beads

Q4) Explain making pots using Pinch Method



1. Knead some clay with water and make a big ball.
2. Push your thumb in to the centre of the ball to make a pit.
3. While pushing your thumb, pinch up the walls
4. Gently put the bottom on a flat surface .Create a flat base
5. Leave the earthen bowl to dry in the sun
6. Bake them in a kiln.
7. Decorate the pot.

Q5) Describe making pots using coil method or ring method



1. Kneading

Knead some clay with water and make a big ball.

2. Rolling

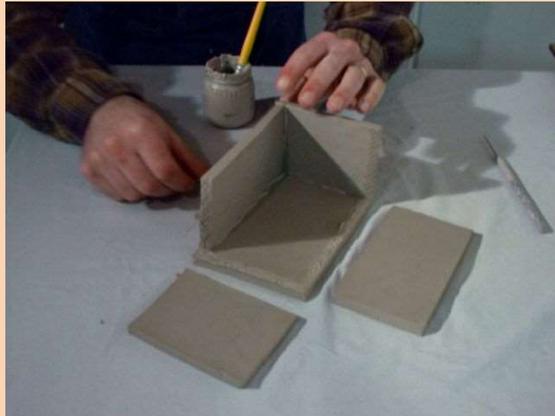
Make coils of clay by rolling your palms over the kneaded clay

3 It is wrapped towards upward to get a shape of a bowl or pots

4 Dry in the sun and bake them in a kiln.

5. Decorate the pots.

Q6) Explain making pots using slab method



1. Knead the clay

2. Make the clay in to flat pieces like chapatti and cut into slab

3. Make the clay in to flat pieces like chapatti and cut into slabs

4. Join the slabs to get the shape of a pot

5. Dry it in the hot sun

6. Decorate the pots with colours.

Q7) Why do we dry and bake the pots in fire ?

Drying and baking makes the pottery hard and strong.

Q8) What is a kiln ?



Pottery is baked in an oven called a kiln

Q9) Explain making pots

Wheel Method



1. Potter's wheel is used to make pots.
2. The potter's wheel consists of a round flat wooden or metal surface
3. It moves when the potter shapes clay on it.
4. The clay is mixed with water and dough is prepared.
5. The potter shapes the pots in the desired form.
6. The pots are glazed to give shining appearance.
7. The pots made dried in the sun.

8. Then the pots are baked in a kiln to make them stronger.
9. Ready pots are decorated.

