

- Milk
- Eggs
- Meat
- Wool and silk
- Leather
- Other things
- Domestic animals as our helpers



3 Domestic Animals

Many animals live around us. Some of these animals are very useful to us. We keep such useful animals at our homes. These animals are called as **domestic animals**.



Domestic animals provide us many things, such as :

Milk

Cow, buffalo and goat provide us milk. Curd, ghee, butter and cheese are made from milk only. Besides, sweets and ice cream are also made from it.



Things made of milk

Do You Know ?

* Cow's milk is very much beneficial for sick people. It has more quantity of calcium.



Eggs

Hens and ducks give us eggs. Some people eat eggs. Eggs make our body fit and strong.



 **Remember**


* Eggs of hens are eaten the most.



Meat

The meat of some animals is also eaten. Some such animals are goat, hen, pig and fish.



 **Do You Know?**

* People who eat meat are called non-vegetarians. The staple diet of people living in coastal areas is fish and rice.

Wool and Silk

Sheep, goat and yak provide us with wool. Sweaters, blankets and shawls are made of wool. These clothes are worn in winters.



Silkworms provide us silk to make beautiful clothes.

Leather

The skin of some dead animals is removed to give us leather. Shoes, purses, belts and bags are made from leather.



Other Things

Animals also provide us with some other useful things. For example, honeybees provide us wax and honey. Honey is a sweet and useful substance. Honeybees suck the nectar of flowers and change it into honey. Wax is got from beehives.

The horns of some animals are used to make buttons. The tusks of elephants provide us ivory. Ivory is used to make bangles and other decorative products.

The excreta of animals is used to make manure. It is also used as domestic fuel in rural areas. Nowadays, it is also used to make gobar gas which is used to cook food and generate electricity.



Honeybee

Flower



Beehive



Button

Decoratives



Gobar Gas Plant

Animals help us in our work

Some domestic animals help us in our work as well, such as :

Ox and camel help in **farming**.



Ox ploughing field



Camel pulling Persian wheel

Horse, camel and elephant are used to ride and move from one place to another.



Some animals are used to **carry loads**, such as :



The dog **guards our house**.
It starts barking on seeing strangers.



Looking Back. . . .

- ❖ The animals kept at home are called domestic animals.
- ❖ Domestic animals provide milk, eggs and meat to us.
- ❖ We also get wool and silk from some animals.
- ❖ The skin of some animals is used to make leather.
- ❖ Some animals provide us some other useful things as well.
- ❖ Some domestic animals are used to carry loads, ride and work in the fields.



Exercise

A. Tick (✓) on the correct option : (MCQs)

1. Which animal provides us milk ?

(a) Hen (b) Cow (c) Cat

2. Which animal provides us eggs ?

(a) Goat (b) Buffalo (c) Hen

3. Who provides us leather ?

(a) Animals (b) Earth (c) Plants

4. Who guards our homes ?

(a) Elephant (b) Dog (c) Camel

B. Answer the following questions :

1. What do you understand by a domestic animal ?
2. What all do we get from domestic animals ?
3. What is made from animal excreta ?

C. Write the names of :

1. Two milk giving animals : _____
2. Two egg giving animals : _____
3. Two load carrying animals : _____
4. Two animals whom we ride : _____

D. Tick (✓) the correct statement :

1. Curd, ghee, butter and cheese are made from milk.
2. Wool is used to make silk clothes.
3. Shoes, purses, belts and bags are made from leather.
4. Elephant tusk is used to make decorative pieces.
5. Oxen and camels guard our homes.




Creative Task

Do the following :

1. Ask your mother the recipe to make 'rabri' and gruel from milk.
2. Collect pictures of some domestic animals and paste in your scrapbook.

Investigation :

 For more information, log on to :
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/working-animal>

