

CBSE Class – VII Social Science
NCERT Solutions
Geography Chapter 07
Human Environment- Settlement, Transport and Communication

Q1. Answer the following questions.

- (i) What are the four means of transport?**
- (ii) What do you understand by the term ‘settlement’?**
- (iii) Which are the activities practised by the rural people?**
- (iv) Mention any two merits of railways.**
- (v) What do you understand by communication?**
- (vi) What is mass media?**

Solutions:

- (i)** The four means of transport are:
 - Roadways
 - Airways
 - Railways
 - Waterways
- (ii)** Settlements are places where people build their homes. They may be temporary or permanent.
- (iii)** The activities practiced by the rural people are agriculture, fishing, forestry, crafts work and trading etc.
- (iv)** (a) Railways carry heavy goods and people over long distances quickly and cheaply. (b) The railway network is more spreadout and hence, more areas are accessible.
- (v)** Communication is the process of conveying messages to others. With the development of technology, humans have devised new and fast models of communication such as radio, television and the internet.
- (vi)** Mass media is the means by which communication can be established with a large number of people at one time. Newspapers, radio and television are popular means of mass media.

Q2. Tick the correct answer.

- (i) Which is NOT a means of communication?**
(a) telephone (b) books (c) table

Solution:

- (c) table

(ii) Which type of road is constructed under the ground?

(a) flyover (b) expressways (c) subways

Solution:

(c) subways

(iii) Which mode of transport is most suitable to reach an island?

(a) ship (b) train (c) car

Solution:

(a) ship

(iv) Which vehicle does not pollute the environment

(a) cycle (b) bus (c) aeroplane

Solution:

(a) cycle

Q3.Match the following.

(i) Internet	(a) Areas where people are engaged in manufacturing, trade and services
(ii) Canal route	(b) Closely-built area of houses
(iii) Urban areas	(c) Houses on stilts
(iv) Compact settlement	(d) Inland waterway
	(e) A means of communication

Solution:

(i) Internet	(e) A means of communication
(ii) Canal route	(d) Inland waterway
(iii) Urban areas	(a) Areas where people are engaged in manufacturing, trade and services
(iv) Compact settlement	(b) Closely-built area of houses