

Origin of Language

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- Modern theorists propose that speech is not simply a manipulation of physical organs.
- Concomitant psychological development was essential to the development of language.
- Each person has different impressions of the world that s/he perceives. In order to formulate a credible theory of the origin of language, it is important to learn about the psychological development of early man.

- Anthropologists believe that the factors that led to the development of the species *Homo sapiens*, also led to the development of language .
- Language evolved from the human need to communicate.
- It developed in a social situation and was needed to spread information amongst the members of a group.
- Each benefitted from the others' experience and communicated through language.
- Subsequently the whole working of the human society, through a division of labour has been due to language.
- With an increase in the complexity in society, there was a concomitant increase in the development of language.

Suggest three
reason why people
talk?

Can you think of any
onomatopoeic
sounds in
Malayalam?