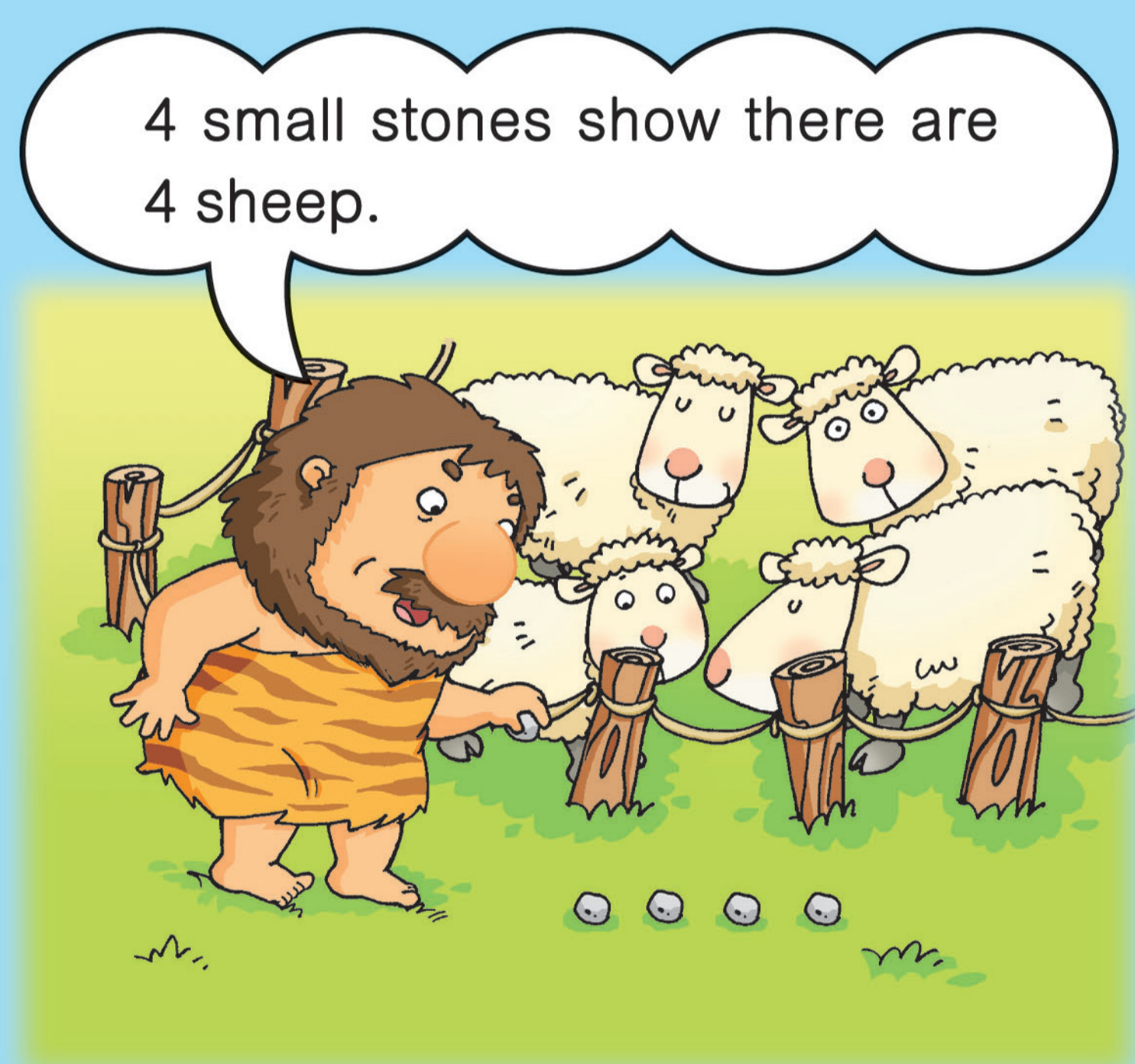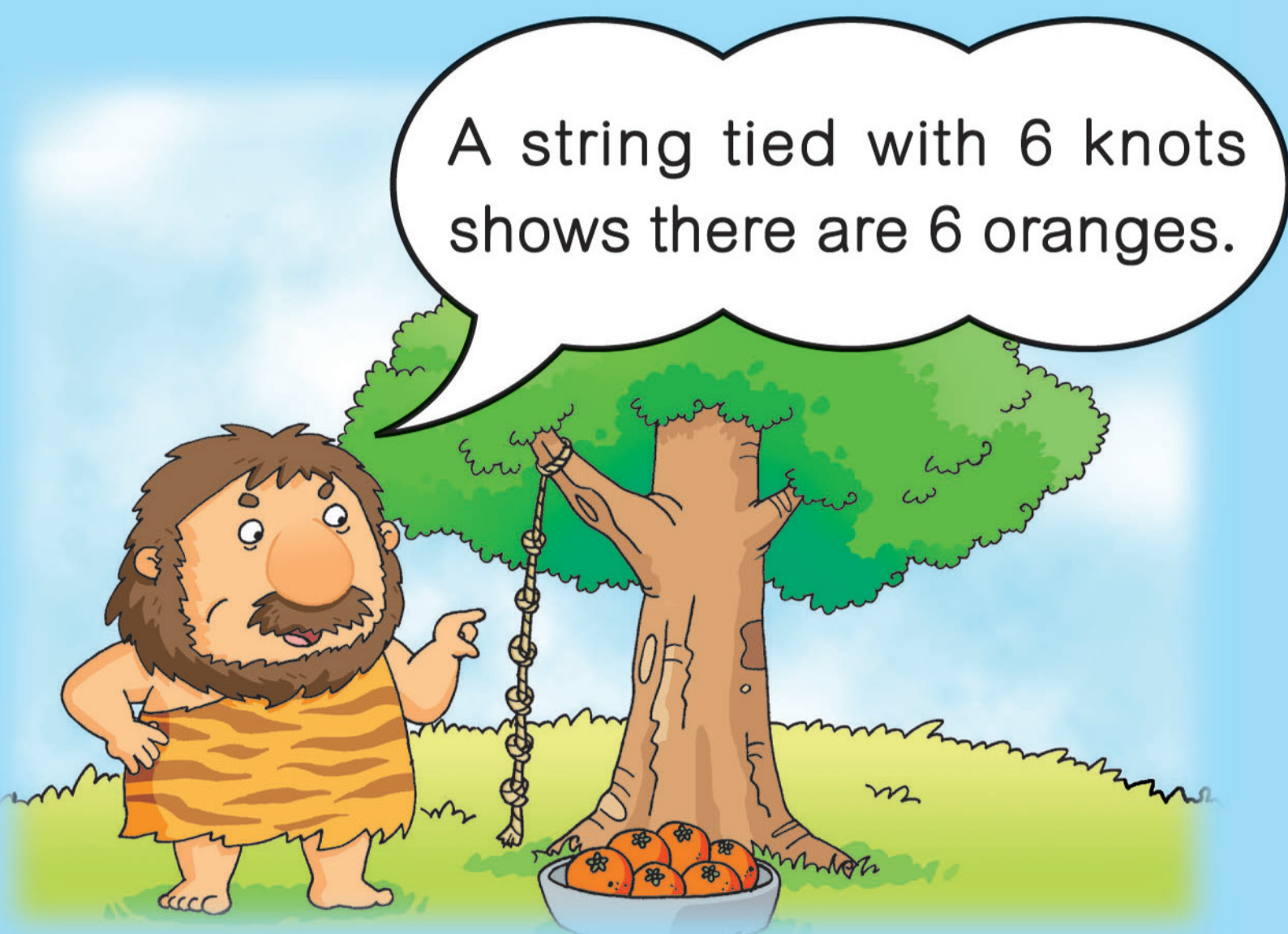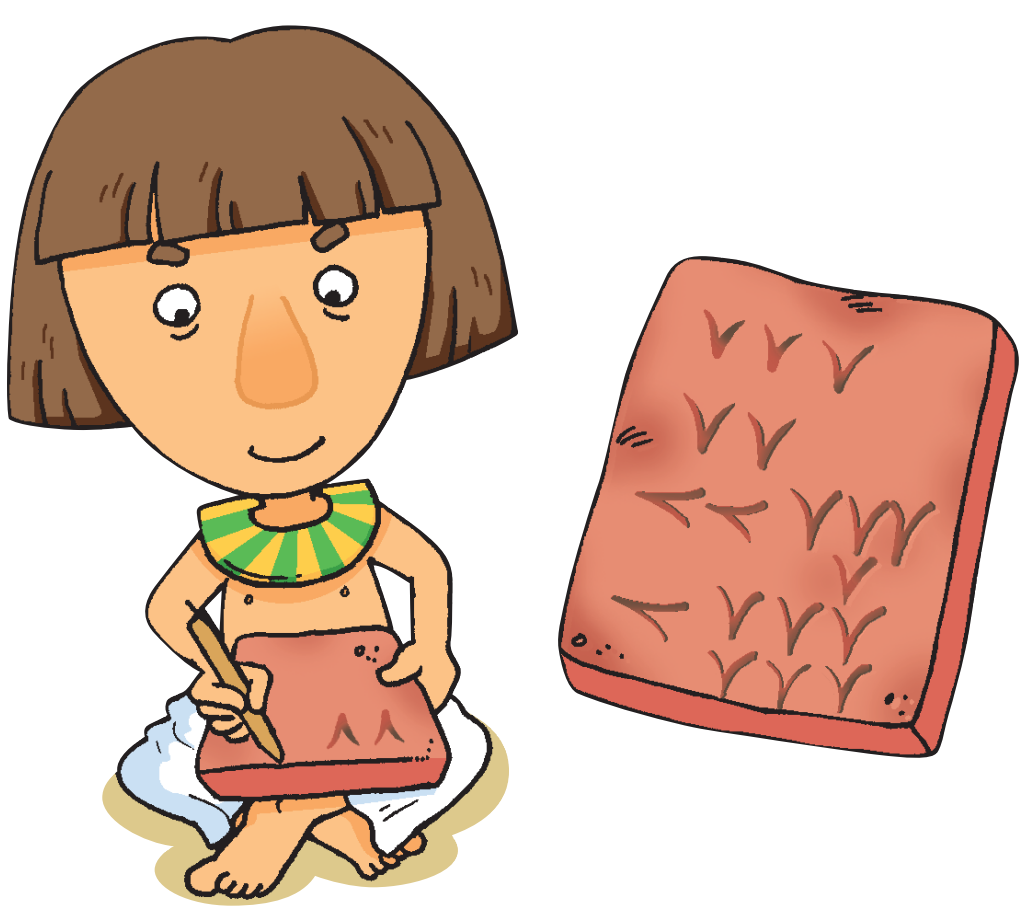# Different ways to record numbers

Little friends, do you know how people in ancient times recorded numbers when numerals still had not existed?
Well, they would…

A string tied with 6 knots shows there are 6 oranges.

8 marks show there are 8 pots.

4 small stones show there are 4 sheep.

🔴 Later on, different countries began using their own numerals to record numbers.

Babylonians

Indians

Romans

🔴 This is one type of numerals used by the ancient Egyptians and these numerals look like drawings.

1	10	100	1000

10 000	100 000	1 000 000
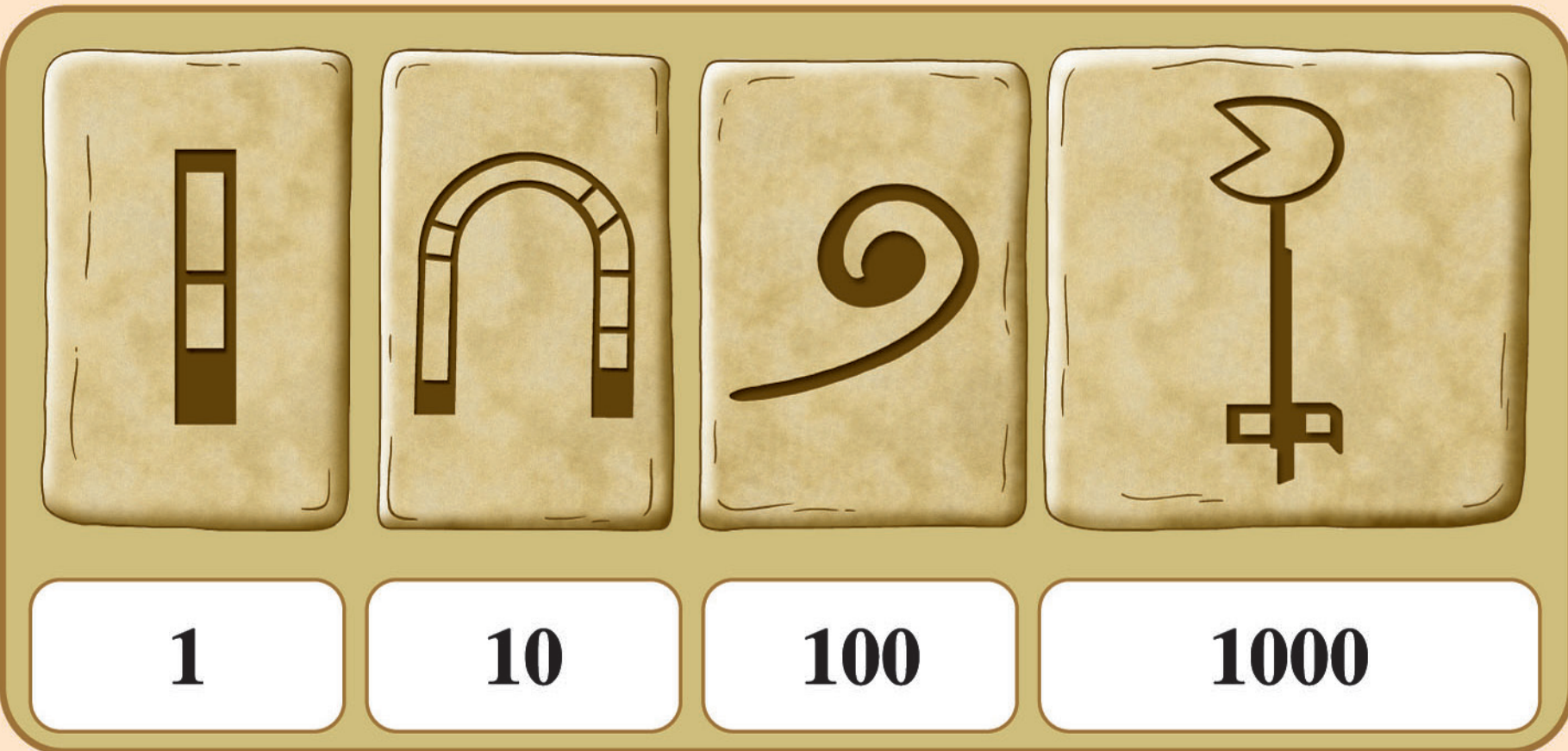
🔴 Up till now, Roman numerals still often appear in our daily life. Do you know how to interpret these numerals?

Number	1	5	10	50	100	500	1000
Symbol	I	V	X	L	C	D	M

1	I	
2	II	1 + 1 = 2
3	III	
4	IV	5 − 1 = 4
5	V	
6	VI	5 + 1 = 6
7	VII	
8	VIII	
9	IX	10 − 1 = 9
10	X	
11	XI	10 + 1 = 11
12	XII	

I represents 1,
V represents 5,
X represents 10.
Extending from this pattern, do you know how to represent 13 by using Roman numerals?