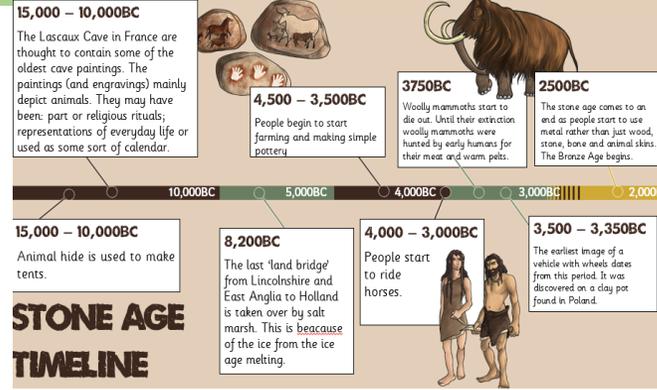


Topic: History

What are we learning about?

THE GREATEST INVENTORS OF THEM ALL

Prehistoric people left no written records, so how do we know about their lives? Archaeologists work like detectives looking for evidence. They use this evidence to build up a picture of the past. We will be investigating and researching the Stone Age and how it shaped history as we know it. What we learnt from it and the inventions which were created during this early time.



Significant People/ Places



Skara Brae is a stone-built Neolithic settlement, located on the Bay of Skail on the west coast of Mainland, the largest island in the Orkney archipelago of Scotland.

It was uncovered by a storm in 1850, Skara Brae gives a remarkable picture of life 5,000 years ago, before Stonehenge was built.

What can I do at home?

Use the link to discover more interesting facts about the Stone Age.

Find out which animals were around during this time.

What weapons did they have?



Key Vocabulary

ancient astronomy	The study of the things outside of Earth's atmosphere from the very distant past.
bone marrow	A substance high in fat and nutrients found inside bones.
earthwork	A large bank or mound that has been made by moving soil.
flint	A very hard stone that can produce a spark when struck by another stone.
hunter-gatherer	Someone who hunts animals and gathers wild food to eat.
prehistoric	Before written records began

Sticky Knowledge

Paleolithic period



Around 3,000,000 BC Hunter-gatherers live off berries, nuts, fish and wild animals and some shelter from the cold in caves.

Mesolithic Period



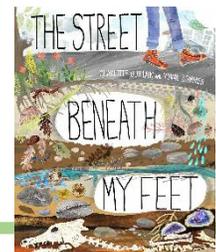
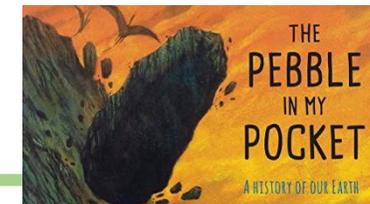
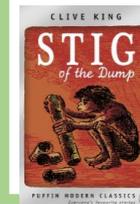
Around 10,000 BC Stone tools are polished, sharpened and adapted for use as spears and arrowheads.

Neolithic Period



Around 4,500 - 2,400 BC People begin to settle in villages. Farming begins and crops, such as barley and wheat are grown.

Texts we are reading for pleasure and knowledge:



Prior Knowledge	Questions	Start of topic	End of topic
	1. What is Skara Brae?		
	2. What is the Paleolithic period?		
	3. What was flint used for?		
	4. What was the diet like of a Stone Age person? What did they eat?		
	5. What is a hunter gatherer?		