

Stone Age to Iron Age - LKS2

Sticky Knowledge

The term 'Stone Age' refers to a very long period of time that we can break up into three sections.

Lithic means stone age.

Palaeo – means early

Meso – means middle

Neo – means new

The period of prehistory in Britain generally refers to the time before written records began. It begins when the earliest hunter-gatherers lived in Britain.



The Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age covers **98% of human history** in Britain.

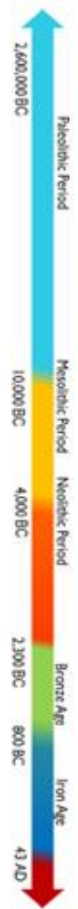
The evolution of humans from the earliest hominins to Homo sapiens occurred in this period.

Stonehenge is a prehistoric monument just North of Salisbury. It has a ring of standing stones that can still be seen today. However, its purpose and how it was built is still a mystery.

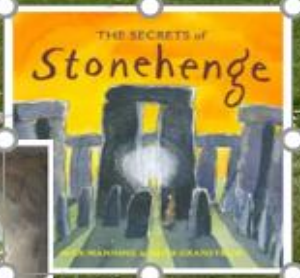
Skara Brae is a prehistoric village found on the Orkney Islands, off the north coast of Scotland. It is a fascinating prehistoric village - built and occupied between 3000BC and 2500BC. It is one of the best preserved settlements from this time - artefacts such as the tool and crop remains show that the settlers were expert farmers as well as hunters and fishermen.



Some of the major advances in technology occurred during this period, including the control of fire, agriculture, metalworking and the wheel.



Suggested reads



Homework Project

Design and make an ancient stone circle or a replica of Stonehenge. Bring in to class or share on seesaw by 02.10.23.

Key Vocabulary

archaeology	Studying objects from the past to learn about that time.
artefact	An historical object.
chronology	Arranging events/dates in the order in which they occurred.
flint	The type of stone used in the stone age to create blades.
homo Sapiens	The human species of today
hunter-gatherers	Those who go and hunt food, before gathering it together and bringing it back to share.

nomads	People that are constantly moving on and have no fixed home
prehistoric	The time before written history began.
roundhouse	The circular house, with a thatched roof used in the Bronze and Iron age.
settlement	Where people live together
tribe	People who live in a group
BC	Before Christ
AD	Anno Domini - 'in the year of our lord'