

Year 3  
Autumn

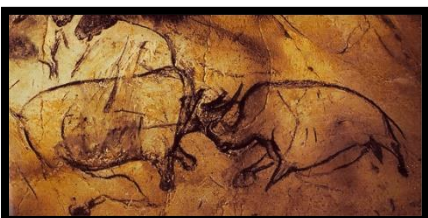


## History - From Stone Age to Iron Age

In this topic children learn about life in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age, a period covering a million years of history. As well as understanding the chronology of this fascinating time, children will learn about the food, homes, technology and art and understand how each of these areas developed and changed over time.

### Key Knowledge

- Understand that pre-history occurred before historical records were kept.
- Understand that there were 3 distinct periods of time during which significant developments in human existence occurred.
- Understand that prehistorical periods (Palaeolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic) occurred over many thousands of years.
- Paleolithic: humans were hunter gatherers who led a nomadic existence, moving with the seasons. Tools began being fashioned (hand axe)
- Mesolithic: humans began to build settlements, keep animals and build materials. Beakers and pots
- Neolithic: agriculture began, crops were grown, and permanent structures of community were built (Stonehenge).
- Sequence artefacts and events across the 3 eras using a timeline.
- Compare stone age existence with our life today.
- Analyse what evidence exists for prehistory: cave paintings, artefacts, significant settlements: Skara Brae, Stonehenge.
- Explain how changes over time made an impact on the way humans survived and developed.



### Key Vocabulary

**AD** - Anno Domini "in the year of our Lord". AD is used to show dates after the birth of Jesus. This year is AD 2018.

**Archaeology** - The study of the buildings, graves, tools and other objects that belonged to people who lived in the past, in order to learn about their culture and society.

**BC** - Before Christ. A way of dating years before the birth of Jesus. The bigger the number BC, the longer ago in history it was.

**Bronze Age** - The bronze age is the time period when bronze replaced stone as the preferred materials for making tools and weapons.

**Chronology** - The arrangement of dates or events in the order in which they occurred

**Hunter/Gatherer** - A person who meets their needs by hunting animals and gathering plants

**Iron Age** - The iron age is the time period when iron became the preferred choice of metal for making tools.

**Neolithic** - The last period of the Stone Age when humans began to develop agriculture and use tools and weapons

**Prehistoric** - Prehistoric means the time before recorded history.

**Stone Age** - The stone age is the name given to the earliest period of human culture when stone tools were first used.

### Key Questions

Who were the first people to live in Britain?

What does Stone Age artwork tell us about this time in history?

What was lifelike in the Bronze Age?

What jobs did people have in the Iron Age?