



KS2

Stone Age to Iron Age

HISTORY

Stone Age - Mesolithic Life and Neolithic Life

9000 years ago 5000 years ago



Hunter-gatherers



Farming begins

Bronze Age

4,500-3,500BC 4,000-3,000BC 2,500BC



The first pottery is made and used.



People start to ride and use horses.



Metal starts to be used.

1,800BC 1,200-800BC 1,200-800BC



The first copper mines are dug.



Metal tools are made and used.



Tribal Kingdoms and Celtic culture.

Iron Age

800-700BC 700-500BC



The first hill forts are made.



Iron is used a lot more than before.

100BC AD43



Coins are made and used for the first time.



The Romans invade Britain - Iron Age ends.

| Key Vocabulary | |
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| prehistory | The period of time in the past before people could write |
| human | We are human but there have been different 'types' of human, over time, including Neanderthals |
| homo sapiens | The scientific name for modern humans. Homo means 'man' and sapiens means 'wise' |
| hunter-gatherers | Groups of people who get food by hunting, fishing, and foraging rather than by farming |
| agriculture | Farming |
| tools | The first stone tools were made 3.3 million years ago |

Skara Brae is an archaeological site in Orkney, Scotland. It is a Stone Age village. There are 8 houses made of stone. There is only one room in each house. It is famous because it has been well preserved and has taught us a lot about life in the Stone Age.

Important Time Periods

Stone Age – When the first humans began to live in Europe. They used stones as tools.

Bronze Age - In this era, metals were used to make hunting tools. Humans also began to farm land.

Iron Age - Humans now used iron to make tools, and farmed land instead of hunting. They lived in communities.

Stonehenge is a famous monument located in Wiltshire, England. It is a circle of very large stones standing upright. It was built in the Stone Age. Nobody knows why it exists. Some believe it was built to learn about the movements of the sun and moon. Some believe it was a burial mound.

800,000BC 2200BC 800BC 43AD 410AD 790AD 1066 1485 1837 1914 - 1918 1939 - 1945

Stone Age Bronze Age Iron Age Romans Anglo Saxons and Scots Anglo Saxons and Vikings Normans Tudors Victorians WW1 WW2