

Stone Age KS2 Knowledge Mat

Subject Specific Vocabulary

archaeologists	People who discover our history by looking at artefacts that have been found.
artefact	An object made by human beings, usually with historical or cultural interest.
Neolithic	The later part of the Stone Age and following the Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Age.
BC	Before Christ. The date 250BC means 250 years before Christ was born.
domesticated	Tamed and kept as a pet or as livestock.
tribal	Groups of people who live together.
hunter-gatherers	People who mainly live by hunting, fishing and gathering wild fruit.
Nomadic	A person who moves from place to place.
civilization	When people live in a large society with a shared culture and rules.



Sticky Knowledge about the Stone-age period

The Stone Age period is said to have started around 2.5 million years ago when humans started to live in Europe.

The Stone Age is split into 3 different periods: Paleolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic.

During the Palaeolithic Age (old Stone Age), people were nomadic. They were hunter gatherers. They gathered food by hunting wild animals and birds, fishing, and collecting fruits and nuts. They used stones from the ground to make tools. They sheltered in caves in the paleolithic period. Historians think that they buried people in caves at this time. They buried multiple or single people at once. Red ochre has been found in graves.

burial	The way someone is buried after death.
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During the Mesolithic Age, humans started to sharpen their stone tools for hunting. They also started to settle in one place but still remained hunter-gatherers. They began to farm during the Mesolithic and Neolithic times. Evidence found suggests that they

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Important places

Bradley Long Cairn (local)
A neolithic burial site.

Bradley Round Cairn (local)
Bronze age funeral monument.

Skara Brae
The archaeological site found on the Orkney Islands in Scotland. It is a Stone Age village that has been well preserved.