



Overview

We will be studying Britain during the Stone Age and Iron Age to answer the question: **What changed in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age?**

Fast Facts

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| The Iron Age begins in 800BC | The Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age covers 98% of British history | Sometimes, people from the Iron Age are called Celts | Stonehenge starts to be built in 3000 BC |
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Key People



Cheddar Man: Oldest person ever found in Britain– believed to have lived in the Mesolithic period, around 9100 years ago



John Aubrey: An early archaeologist who linked Stonehenge to prehistoric times, and suggested it had been built by druids.



Denisovans: Extinct relatives of the modern human



Neanderthals: Extinct species of human that lived around 40,000 years ago

Key Vocabulary

Hillfort



Roundhouse



Hunter-gatherer



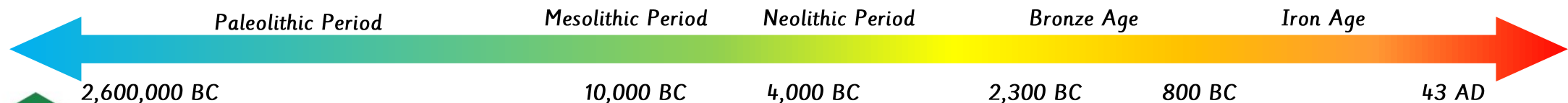
Agriculture



Settlement



Timeline



Facts

- The period of prehistory in Britain generally refers to the time before written records began
- In the Stone Age, people began to settle into farming villages instead of moving from place to place
- In the Bronze Age, people started to ride and use horses
- In the Iron Age, iron replaced bronze as the main material for making tools and weapons.
- The Iron Age ended when the Romans invaded Britain in AD 43.

Key Places



Stonehenge

A prehistoric monument in Wiltshire, England. Its purpose and how it was built remains uncertain



Skara Brae

A stone-built Neolithic settlement, located in the Orkney region in Scotland. It is a cluster of eight houses, which



Wandlebury

A hillfort during the Iron Age which is based in Cambridgeshire.

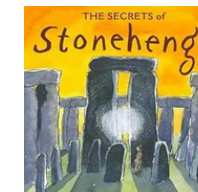
Glossary

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| agriculture | the process of cultivating land to grow crops and rearing animals for food |
| BC | BC is a way of dating years before the birth of Jesus. The bigger the number BC, the longer ago in history it was |
| Homo Sapiens | the human species of today |
| hunter-gatherer | people who live by hunting, fishing, and harvesting wild food. |
| nomads | people who move from one place to another, instead of living in one place. |
| roundhouse | a circular house with a conical thatched roof built from the Bronze Age to Iron Age |
| settlement | a place where people establish a community |

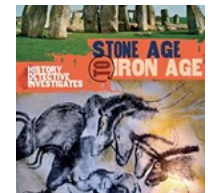
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