

Year 3 Knowledge Organiser: Stone Age

VOCABULARY DOZEN

Archaeologist	Person who learns about the past by digging up artefacts.
BC /AD	BC – Any dates before the birth of Jesus. AD – Any dates after the birth of Jesus
Bronze	A mixture of the metals tin and copper.
Bronze Age	In this era, metals were used to make hunting tools. Humans also began to farm land.
Flint	A hard, shiny rock that can be used to make tools and weapons.
Hunter Gatherer	A person who hunts Animals and forages for food. They don't farm.
Ice Age	During the Ice Ages, Britain was covered by ice and snow.
Iron Age	Humans now used iron to make tools, and farmed land instead of hunting. They lived in communities.
Prehistoric	Prehistoric means the time before recorded history.
Skara Brae	Archaeological site in Orkney, Scotland. It is a Stone Age village.
Stone Age	Age when humans began to live in Europe. They used stones as tools.
Stone Henge	World-famous monument in Wiltshire. It is a large circle of upright stones.



Tools and weapons

The people in the Stone Age would have made their own tools and weapons for everyday jobs around the house as well as hunting.

Flint spearhead



Skara Brae

Skara Brae is a preserved Stone Age village located in the Orkney Islands, Scotland. It is one of the best preserved Stone Age villages in the world.



Stonehenge

Stonehenge is a ring of stones in Wiltshire. There are many theories for its use but no one has a definite answer.

Ice Age Species

Stone Age peoples lived with many species which are now extinct.



Woolly Mammoth



Woolly Rhinoceros



Ground Sloth

Sabre-Toothed Tiger

Mammoths

Some scientists think it would be possible to bring Woolly Mammoths back to life using DNA from the preserved remains that have been found over the years but other people argue this shouldn't be allowed. What do you think?

Palaeolithic – Early Stone Age

Early Stone Age people hunted with sharpened sticks. They used animals skins to make clothes and shelters.



Mesolithic – Middle Stone Age

Middle stone Age people dig flint out of the ground, using antlers as a pick. They make weapons with which to hunt, and domesticate a wolf - the beginning of man's relationship with dogs.

Neolithic – New Stone Age

Around 6,500 years ago, a change took place in the way Stone Age people lived: hunter-gatherers settled in one place and kept animals and grew crops.

Human Ancestors

Homo Sapien	15,000 years ago, all other types of humans died out, leaving only us, <i>Homo Sapiens</i> .
Neanderthals	Neanderthals looked similar to modern humans but were shorter and stronger. They lived in family groups in caves. They lived in Europe during the Ice Age and made clothes from fur. 300,000 to 24,000 years ago.
Homo Erectus	About 2 million years ago, ancestors of humans learnt how to make fire to keep warm, create light, cook and scare predators away. Some moved from Africa to Europe.
Homo Habilis	These were the first human ancestors to make tools (2.4 to 1.6 million years ago).

Cave Paintings

No one will ever really be sure what the purpose of cave paintings were. Some of the ones that have been discovered are over 3000yrs old.



← Palaeolithic → Mesolithic → Neolithic →

Homo Habilis	Homo Erectus	Neanderthals (130,000 BC)	Ice Age began (25,000 BC)	Only Homo Sapiens left (15,000 BC)	Ice Age ends (12,000 BC)	Britain becomes an island (6,000 BC)	Farming people came from Europe (3,000 BC)	Copper Age (2,700 BC)	Bronze Age (2,100 BC)	Iron Age (750 BC)