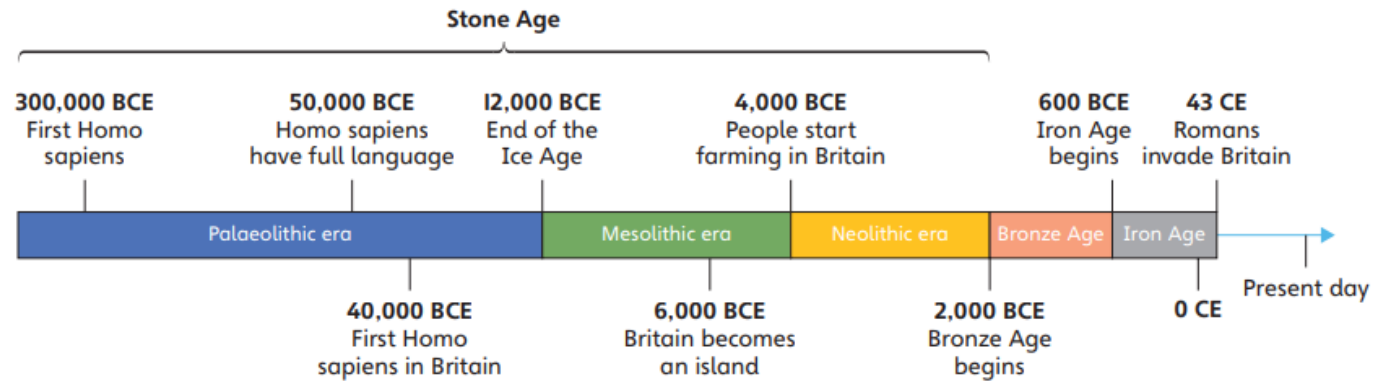


Key facts, places and dates

VOCABULARY!

Archaeologist	Someone who studies the past by looking at objects, buildings and remains.
Extant	A species that is still alive.
Bronze	A metal made by melting and mixing copper and tin.
Extinct	A species that is no longer alive.
Evolve	The gradual changes of a plant or animal: over generations to adapt to its changing environment.
Glacier	A huge sheet of ice.
Homo sapiens	The scientific name for modern humans.
Ice age	A long period of time when Earth was extremely cold.
Neanderthals	A species of human that is now extinct.
Ore	Rock that contains metal.



Stone Age eras	
Palaeolithic era	The early Stone Age when humans used very basic tools
Mesolithic era	The middle Stone Age when humans perfected their tools
Neolithic era	The new Stone Age when humans began farming

Stone Age tools



Hand axe Hammer stones Spear

The way Earth looks has changed a lot over thousands of years. Early humans lived in an ice age, when the world was much colder than it is now. There were huge sheets of ice, called glaciers, covering a lot of the land. This included most of what is now Europe, and parts of North America, South America and Australia. The most recent ice age began about 1.5 million years ago and ended about 15,000 years ago.

Prehistoric animals



Woolly mammoth (extinct) Woolly rhino (extinct) Elk (extant)

Europe during the Ice Age

