



Stone Age tools

Shelter

Early Stone Age people would have slept in caves but by the end of the Stone Age people were living in huts with thatched roofs and walls made from a mixture of mud and twigs.



Chronology

During the last 10,000 years, the way people have lived has changed dramatically.

10,000 years ago Pre-historic	5000 years ago	3000 years ago	Jesus was born	43AD
Stone Age.	Bronze Age	The Iron Age		Start of Roman Britain



Year Three and Four



Stone Age, the Bronze Age and the Iron Age.

Survival

To survive, people need shelter, food, water and warmth. Stone Age people had to eat what they could find and move around the country to where the food was. As time passed, people found out how to make metal such as bronze and iron and this changed everything!

Bronze

Britons learned to make objects from bronze by mixing the copper and tin that was in the ground. What they made was stronger than stone and could be shaped to make tools for farming and weapons.

Iron

Around 800 BC people in Britain learned how to make iron. Iron tools made farming much easier. Iron was tougher than bronze and could be shaped into finer and sharper objects. Iron ploughs for example, were more efficient than earlier bronze or wooden ploughs so more land could be used for farming.

Food and Farming

Early Stone Age people foraged for fruits, fruits and nuts. By the Iron Age, farmers were growing other grains such as barley, oats and rye and kept their own goats, sheep, pigs and cows to eat.

Key vocabulary

Archaeologist	People who study the past by looking at remains and objects.
Migration	The movement of people or animals from one place to another, typically over a long distance.
Settlements	A place, typically one which has previously been uninhabited, where people establish a community.
Nomadic	Someone who lives by travelling from place to place.
foraged	Obtaining food by collecting it from the wild
Bronze	Bronze is one of the earliest metals known to man. It is made using copper tin that are found in the ground.
Iron	Iron is a strong metal that made better weapons and tools.