

Stone Age		Year 0 (When Jesus was born)			
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800,000 BC – 10,500 BC	10,500 BC – 4000 BC	4000 BC – 2400 BC	2,400 BC – 800 BC	800 BC – 43 AD	AD 43 – 450 AD

**The Stone Age – 800,000 years ago – 2400BC**



Divided into 3 different eras: **Palaeolithic** (Old stone age), **Mesolithic** (Middle Stone Age), **Neolithic** (New Stone Age)

During the early stages, huge ice sheets covered the country and Britain was connected to Europe by a land bridge called Doggerland – Britain was not yet an island! Early man was **nomadic**. They **hunted** animals and **gathered** other foods like plants and berries to eat.

Towards the end of the Stone Age, early man had begun to **settle** and farm and were no longer **nomadic**.

**Hunter-Gatherers**

Early Britons were hunter-gatherers. They had to travel from place to place, following the animals that they hunted and to find foods to gather that grew depending on the seasons.



**Key vocabulary**

Paleolithic	Paleo = Old/Ancient; Lithic = Stone First part of the Stone Age
Mesolithic	Meso = Middle; Lithic = Stone Second part of the Stone Age
Neolithic	Neo = New; Lithic = Stone Final part of the Stone Age
Prehistory	Part of history that begins with first human and ends with invention of writing
nomadic	When people move from place to place short term.
settle	When people stay in one place long term.
archaeology	Study of things that people made, used, and left behind.