

# History



## Prehistoric Britain

We can find clues about the past from things people find in the ground.

Scientists who learn about things from a long time ago are called archaeologists.

Prehistory means a time before people wrote things down.

During the Ice Age, almost all of Great Britain was covered by thick sheets of ice called glaciers.

No people lived in Great Britain. An animal called a Woolly Mammoth lived in Britain, it is now extinct.

When the ice began to melt, people crossed the English Channel by foot as the channel was shallow.

Stone Age people made tools out of stone, wood or bone.

They had to survive on hunting wild animals, or gathering wild food and would move around to find these.

When people began to farm, they started to settle in one place.

Bronze is a strong metal. It was used to make tools.

The Bronze Age is a time long ago when people discovered how to make bronze.

Before the Bronze Age, people made their tools from stone.

The Iron Age is a time when people began to make things from a metal called iron.

During the Iron Age, Celts lived in Britain.

We know about Celts because of the things they left behind.

During the Ice Age, Britain was covered in ice.

During the Stone Age, people used stones for tools.

### Key words:

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Ice Age	Nomadic
Stone Age	Stonehenge
Bronze Age	Artifacts
Iron Age	

Key Dates: 10,000 BC- The end of the Ice Age- people started to re-inhabit Britain.

54 BC- The Roman Invasion- beginning of written records.

Key Dates: Between 100,000 bc and 10,000 bc, the world passed through its last Ice Age.