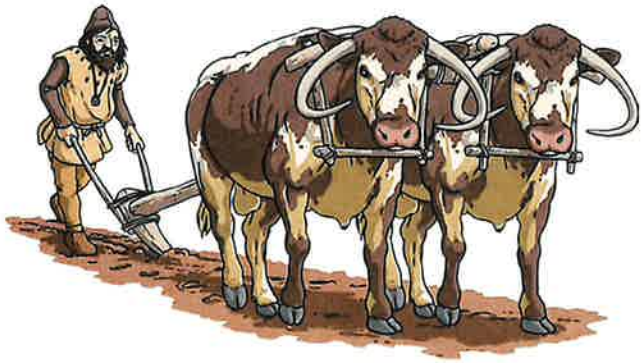
Stone Age Time Periods

The pre-historic period known as the Stone Age, which is said to have lasted for over three million years, was named because of the stone tools and equipment used at the time. The Stone Age is divided into three phases, although the exact dates for each section vary across the world.

During the Old Stone Age, known as the Palaeolithic era, the earliest relatives of humans, homo habilis, used simple stone tools and Britain was still connected by land to modern-day France and Denmark.

In the Mesolithic period (Middle Stone Age), the more developed humans lived hunter-gatherer lifestyles, constantly on the move in order to survive. At this point, Britain became an island.

During the New Stone Age (Neolithic period), farming began, pottery was developed and villages were built.



Quick Questions



1. Find and copy a phrase which means the same as 'Old Stone Age'.



2. In which phase did Britain become an island?



3. Summarise the main points of this text in 20 words or less.



4. How are the Mesolithic and Neolithic periods different?