



BC and AD

BC	BC means 'Before Christ'. A date such as 3000 BC means 3000 years before it was believed Jesus was born & 3000 years before the year 1 AD (there was no year zero).
AD	AD means Anno Domini in Latin which stands for 'in the year of our lord'. A date such as 2019 AD means 2019 years after Jesus was believed to have been born.




Timeline of Events

13,000 BC	People make cave paintings. 
4500 – 3500 BC	Farming starts and begins to spread.
2500 BC	Metal starts to be used.
1200 – 800 BC	Metal tools are made and used.
1200 – 800 BC	People start to make alliances with others living in tribes. 
800 – 700 BC	The first hill forts are made.
700 – 500 BC	Iron is used a lot more than before.
AD 43	The Romans invade Britain –The Iron Age ends.

Year 3 – From Stone Age to Iron Age

Stonehenge

Stonehenge is a famous monument located in Wiltshire, England.

It is a circle of very large stones standing upright. 

It was built in the Stone Age.

Nobody knows why it exists.

Some people believe it was built to learn about the movements of the sun and moon. Some people believe it was a burial mound.



Important time periods

The Stone Age	When the first humans began to live in Europe. They used stones as tools.
The Iron Age	Humans now used iron to make tools, and farmed land instead of hunting. They lived in communities.
The Bronze Age	In this era, metals were used to make hunting tools. Humans also began to farm land.

Vocabulary Dozen

archaeologist	Person who learns about the past by digging up artefacts and studying them.
primary source	The main source of information about a topic.
period	A length of time covering many years.
settlement	A place where a group of people live together in many buildings.
forage	To search for food.
preserve	To keep something in good condition.
monument	Something built to remember an important person or event.
trading	The act of buying and selling goods and services (for example food).
alliances	A group of countries or groups of people who work together.
tribes	A group of people that live together for protection.
Hill forts	A settlement surrounded by ditches.
invade	To enter another country by force.

Skara Brae

Skara Brae is an archaeological site in Orkney, Scotland.

It is a Stone Age village with 8 houses made of stone.

There is only one room in each house.

It is famous because it has been well preserved and has taught us a lot about life in the Stone Age.