Reading

The Stone Age

Group 2

The Stone Age period covers over 3 million years. It began when the first humans lived on Earth. It is called the Stone Age because tools and weapons were mainly made from stone that had a sharp edge.

The Stone Age is split into three time periods:

Palaeolithic – the earliest people used simple stone tools

Mesolithic – People lived as hunter- gatherers, they kept moving on to survive, they were nomadic

Neolithic – farming began, pottery was made, villages were built

During the old and middle periods, people lived in caves or tents. The evidence that early humans lived in caves has been found by archaeologists who discovered cave paintings. Archaeologists have also found evidence that they built tent like shelters using wood, animal bones and animal skins with moss covered floors.

Day 1

Read the text x 2. Ask someone to echo read with you. Person A reads a sentence, person B reads the same sentence.

Day 2 - Vocabulary

- 1. Nomadic means
- 2. An archaeologist is someone who.....
- 3. A shelter is a
- 4. A tool is something that is used.....

Day 3 Reading Skill – retrieval

True or false?

- 1. The Stone Age people start farming in the Mesolithic period.
- 2. The Stone Age people lived in houses built out of mud.
- 3. It was called the Stone Age because caves were made from stone.
- 4. On the cave walls they painted pictures.

Day 4 Mixed questions

Questions 1 -3 are true or false:

1. Th	e Stone Age	people lived	in brick	built house.	Т	or F
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- 2. Hunters picked berries. T or F
- 3. Gatherers gathered meat. T or F

4. In which time period was pottery made?

- 5. In which time period did they use simple stone tools?
- 6. What evidence has been found?

Day 5 Challenge

Write about what it would have been like if you spent a day in the Stone Age. Use the information you have read.