

TAKEHOME



Can the past help us learn about modern life?

In the news this week

A new study from the Journal of Archaeological Method and Theory, using evidence found in northwestern Italy, has found that Neanderthals (an extinct relative of humans) organised their living areas in a similar way to people today. It was thought that Neanderthals' lives weren't as sophisticated as this or as similar to those of modern humans. The researchers looked at sites of both Neanderthals and Homo sapiens and compared how things like tools and animal bones were positioned in the living area. They found Neanderthals organised their items depending on the different tasks and activities they were doing.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your response to the new research findings about Neanderthals' lives.
- How is your home organised? Do you have different areas for different activities?
- Think about how organised or tidy people at your home or school are. Is everyone the same?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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