

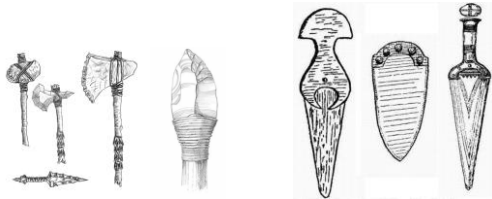
**What changes occurred in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age?**

**What should I already know?**

- There are famous events and people in history, both in Britain (e.g. The Great Fire of London) and around the world (e.g. Rosa Parks' arrest).
- Important events in history have led to changes in the world.

**Key dates**

- 2.5 million years ago** Early humans in Britain were hunter gatherers
- 300,000 years ago** First homo sapiens (modern humans)
- 2,000 BCE** Bronze used in Britain to make tools and weapons  
First roundhouses built.
- 800 BCE** Iron used in Britain to make tools and weapons.  
The first hill forts built.
- 43 CE** Romans arrive in Britain and the Iron Age ends.



Stone tools

Bronze tools

**Burrough Hill:**  
Leicestershire's largest  
hill-fort



**Key Vocabulary and definitions**

|                  |  |
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| pre-history      | The time before people began to write.   |
| chronology       | The order in which things happen.  |
| BCE<br>CE        | Before Common Era - years before the year 0<br>Common Era- years after the year 0.                                     |
| Stone Age        | A long period of pre-history lasting roughly 2.5 million years.<br>Tools and weapons were made of stone, mostly flint. |
| Bronze Age       | Tools and weapons were made of a metal called bronze.  |
| Iron Age         | Tools and weapons were made of a metal called iron.  |
| tool             | An object used for a job or functions.   |
| weapon           | An object made to harm others or fight with.   |
| Primary source   | Something that was created in the past and has not been changed.   |
| Secondary source | Something created by somebody who has researched the past, but who was not there at the time.                          |
| artefact         | An object that we can use to study the past.   |
| archaeologist    | Someone who studies the past by digging up artefacts.  |
| hunter gather    | People who live by hunting, fishing and collecting food they find.<br>They do not live in one place.                   |
| settlement       | A place where people come to live.   |
| farming          | Growing crops or keeping animals on a farm .   |
| field            | An open land area, free of woods and buildings.  |
| roundhouse       | A type of house with circular walls.   |
| hill-fort        | A fort built on a hill, with ditches and walls.  |

**Timeline**

|                 |  |  |  |                               |                             |
|-----------------|--|--|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Britain:</b> | Palaeolithic (Old) Stone Age<br>About 2.5 million years ago - 10,000 BCE | Mesolithic (Middle) Stone Age<br>10,000-5, 000 BCE | Neolithic (New) Stone Age<br>5,000 - 2,500 BCE | Bronze Age<br>2,500 - 800 BCE | Iron Age<br>800 BCE - 100AD |
| <b>Europe:</b>  | Ancient Egypt  |  |  |                               |                             |
| <b>World:</b>   | Ancient Sumer  |  |  |                               |                             |

