

Ellie's Bronze Age Explorer Fact-File

Learning objective: To identify and describe key features of life in Britain during the Bronze Age.

Help Ellie the Elephant learn about the past! Use your history books or class notes to fill in this fact-file about the Bronze Age. Write clearly and ensure your facts are based on archaeological evidence.

Word bank: Bronze · Copper · Tin · Beaker Folk · Roundhouse · Hillfort · Metalworking · Trade · Barrows · Agriculture

1. Materials and Craft: What two metals were combined to create bronze, and what were some of the items made from this new material? (3 marks)

2. Homes and Settlements: Describe the typical dwelling of a Bronze Age family. What materials were used to build it? (2 marks)

3. Farming and Food: How did the way people gathered food change during the Bronze Age compared to the Neolithic period? (2 marks)

4. Beliefs and Burials: Explain what 'barrows' were and what they tell us about how Bronze Age people treated their dead. (3 marks)

5. Trade and Travel: How did people in the Bronze Age trade with others, and why was this important for the spread of technology? (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are a Bronze Age trader. Write a short paragraph describing one item you have made and one item you hope to trade for at a local market.