

Journey into the Stone Age with Ellie the Elephant

Step back in time: Uncover the secrets of our earliest ancestors!

- The Stone Age is divided into three distinct periods: the Palaeolithic (Old), Mesolithic (Middle), and Neolithic (New) ages, spanning hundreds of thousands of years.
- During the early Stone Age, humans lived as nomadic hunter-gatherers, moving constantly to follow animal herds and find seasonal fruits, nuts, and berries.
- Stone tools were essential for survival; humans used flint to create sharp blades, scrapers for hides, and arrowheads for hunting.
- The Neolithic Revolution marked a major turning point when humans began to farm the land, domesticate animals, and build permanent settlements.
- Early humans discovered how to control fire, which provided warmth, protection from predators, and a way to cook food, making it easier to digest.

Did you know? Did you know? Stone Age people did not just use stones! They were incredibly resourceful, crafting needles from animal bones, creating jewellery from seashells, and using natural pigments like ochre to paint magnificent cave art that has survived for thousands of years.

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