Discovering the Bronze Age with Ellie the Elephant

Step back in time with Ellie: Unlocking the secrets of the Bronze Age!

- **The Bronze Age began when people in Britain learned how to combine copper and tin to make bronze tools and weapons.**
- **People lived in roundhouses made from wood, wattle, and daub, often grouped together in small farming villages.**
- **The 'Beaker Folk' are named after the distinctive bell-shaped pottery cups they left behind in their graves.**
- **Farming became very important, and communities started to clear forests to create fields for growing crops and grazing animals.**
- **Burial mounds, called barrows, were built to house important people, often filled with precious grave goods like daggers and gold ornaments.**

Did you know? Did you know? Bronze is a special mixture called an alloy! By melting copper and tin together, Bronze Age people created a much stronger metal than stone, which helped them make sharper tools and beautiful jewellery.

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