Ellie’s Iron Age Adventure Quiz

Learning objective: To recall and apply knowledge about life in Britain during the Iron Age.

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey back in time! Answer these 10 questions to show what you know about the Iron Age. Read the questions carefully before writing your answers.

Answer Key: 1. C (Iron), 2. True, 3. Roundhouse, 4. B (To protect the tribe), 5. False (They were made of wood and wattle and daub), 6. A (Tribes), 7. True, 8. Farming, 9. B (To exchange goods), 10. True.

Word bank: Hillfort · Roundhouse · Iron · Celtic · Trade · Farming · Bronze · Crafts · Defence · Tribes

1. 1. Which new metal was discovered and used to make stronger tools and weapons in the Iron Age? A) Gold, B) Bronze, C) Iron*, D) Silver (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: People in the Iron Age lived in small communities called tribes. (1 mark)

3. 3. What was the name of the circular homes that people lived in during this time? (1 mark)

4. 4. Why were hillforts built? A) To store paintings, B) To protect the tribe*, C) To hold school lessons, D) To keep farm animals indoors (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: Iron Age houses were made entirely out of cold, hard stone. (1 mark)

6. 6. How was the population of Britain organised? A) Tribes*, B) One single King, C) Countries, D) Cities (1 mark)

7. 7. True or False: Iron Age people were expert farmers who grew crops and kept animals. (1 mark)

8. 8. What is the word for the work done by people who grew crops and looked after livestock? (1 mark)

9. 9. Why did Iron Age people trade with others? A) To play games, B) To exchange goods*, C) To build new roads, D) To learn new languages (1 mark)

10. 10. True or False: People in the Iron Age used coins to buy and sell items. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a typical Iron Age settlement. Include a roundhouse with a thatched roof, a high protective fence around the outside, and some fields for farming animals.

Extension challenge: Imagine you are living in an Iron Age village. Write a short diary entry (3-4 sentences) describing one job you might do during the day, like grinding grain or helping to mend a fence.