Life in the Stone Age: An Explorer's Journal

Learning objective: To write a descriptive account of daily life during the Stone Age, using historical vocabulary and chronological order.

Use this writing frame to help Ellie the elephant learn about your life as a Stone Age person. Think about what you eat, where you sleep, and the tools you use.

The sun rose slowly over the horizon, casting a golden light across our small camp of hide-covered shelters.

Word bank: long ago · before farming · nomadic · flint tools · animal skins · shelter · hunter-gatherer · furthermore · meanwhile · consequently · in addition

1. Introduction: Describe where you live and what your shelter is made of. Start by saying: 'My home is a simple shelter made from...' (2 marks)

2. Daily Food: Explain how you find your food. Use the word 'hunter-gatherer' and start with: 'To feed my family, we go out to...' (2 marks)

3. Tools and Skills: Describe the tools you use for daily tasks. Start with: 'We use sharp flint tools to help us...' (2 marks)

4. Evening Routine: Describe what happens when the sun sets. Start with: 'When the evening arrives, we gather around the fire to...' (2 marks)

5. Reflection: Why is life in the Stone Age challenging but exciting? Start with: 'I enjoy this way of life because...' (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you have discovered a cave painting. Write a short paragraph explaining what the drawing shows and why it is important to your tribe.