Life in the Bronze Age: A Historical Report

Learning objective: To write a non-chronological report about the key features and advancements of the Bronze Age in Britain.

Use this scaffold to organise your report. Remember to use formal, objective language and ensure your paragraphs focus on one specific theme each. Look at the word bank for useful linking phrases to help your writing flow.

The Bronze Age, lasting from approximately 2300 BC to 800 BC in Britain, marked a transformative era defined by new technologies and social changes.

Word bank: Furthermore · In addition · Consequently · However · Archaeological evidence suggests · Significantly · During this period · For instance

1. Introduction: What were the main changes that signalled the arrival of the Bronze Age? Start with: 'The transition from the Neolithic period to the Bronze Age was characterised by...' (2 marks)

2. Technological Advancements: How did the discovery of bronze change daily life? Start with: 'A significant advancement during this time was the development of metalworking, specifically...' (3 marks)

3. Settlements and Housing: What did Bronze Age homes look like and how were they organised? Start with: 'Archaeological evidence indicates that people lived in...' (3 marks)

4. Beliefs and Burials: How did people treat their dead and what does this tell us about their society? Start with: 'Religious beliefs and burial customs became more complex, as shown by...' (3 marks)

5. Conclusion: Summarise the legacy of the Bronze Age. Start with: 'In conclusion, the Bronze Age laid the foundations for...' (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Ellie the elephant is curious about how trade links expanded during this time. Research and write a short paragraph explaining how trade routes across Europe brought new materials and ideas to Britain.