Stone Age Explorer: My Research Fact-File

Learning objective: To recall and record key facts about life during the Stone Age, including food, shelter, and tools.

Help Ellie the elephant learn about the past! Use your history books or class notes to fill in this fact-file. Write in full sentences and make sure to include interesting details about how humans survived long ago.

Word bank: Palaeolithic · Mesolithic · Neolithic · Hunter-gatherer · Flint · Settlement · Nomadic · Agriculture

1. The Hunter-Gatherer Lifestyle: Describe how people in the early Stone Age found their food. What did they hunt or gather? (3 marks)

2. Tools and Technology: Explain what materials were used to make tools and why flint was so important to Stone Age people. (3 marks)

3. Living Arrangements: Compare the homes of early Stone Age people to the homes of people in the later Neolithic period. (4 marks)

4. Clothing and Warmth: How did Stone Age people keep warm and what materials did they use to make their clothes? (2 marks)

5. The Big Change: Explain one major way life changed for humans when they started farming in the Neolithic period. (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are a nomad moving to a new camp. Write a short diary entry describing one item you would carry with you to help you survive, and explain why it is important.