



Key Vocabulary	
BC	BC stands for 'Before Christ' and means the number of years before the year 0 – when Christians believe Jesus was born
AD	AD stand for 'Ano Domini' – which means 'in the time of our Lord'. AD is used for all years after the year 0.
Archaeologist	Person who learns about the past by digging up artefacts and studying them.

The Stone Age: Lasted a very long time. It began about 2.7 million years ago when the first humans started to make tools out of stone. The first people came to Britain in around 900,000 BC and marked the start of Palaeolithic Britain

Stone Age – Mesolithic and Neolithic life

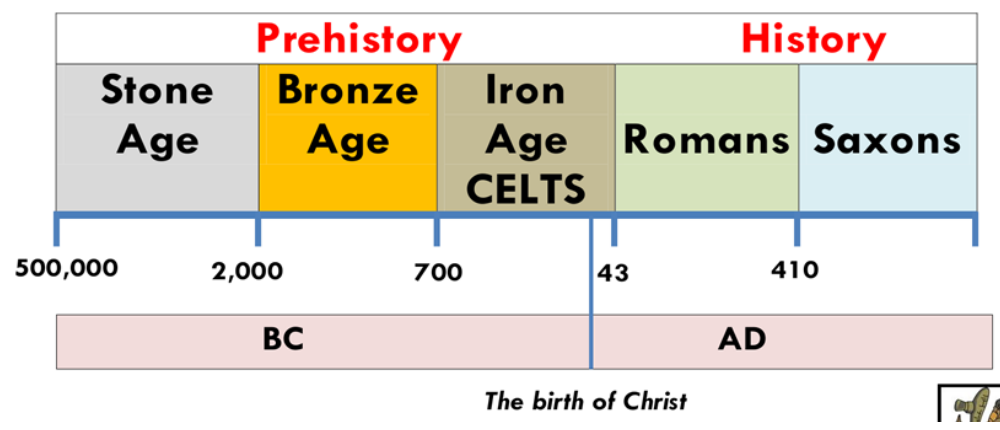
13,000 BC	10,000-3,500 BC	3,500 BC
The first cave paintings were drawn	People learn to 'farm' different foods	The first pottery is made and used

Bronze Age

2500 BC	1800 BC	1200-800 BC
Metal starts to be used to make weapons and tools	The first copper mines are dug	Tribal kingdoms and Celtic culture

The Bronze Age: During this era, people discovered how to make bronze. This was a huge development and meant their tools would be much stronger.

Timeline



The Iron Age: This was the last period of prehistoric Britain before the Romans arrived. People were making even more useful tools and learned to make them out of iron.

Iron Age

800-700 BC	600 BC	AD 43
The first hill forts are made	Coins are made and used for the first time	The Romans invade Britain. Iron Age ends.