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Information for Teachers



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An introduction of what it was like to live in the Stone Age: What the people were like? Where did they live? What did they eat? How did they hunt?

It will include handling real and replica objects, practical activities such as role play, art and craft to help bring the subject to life.

Timings	The session is planned for a morning session but can be adjusted to fit the needs of the class and the topics being studied
Location	At the Museum: the session will take place in the lecture hall and the Museum galleries. At a school: the session can be delivered in a classroom and hall. A floor space for the object handling and role play is useful. Tables are needed for the art and craft elements.
Learning Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. To learn object handling skills</li><li>2. To gain a simple understanding of chronology</li><li>3. To learn how different life in the past was from now</li><li>4. To explore different materials used in the past</li></ol>

## Workshop Outline

Topic	Activity
Introduction	<p>Look at chronology through simple picture timeline</p> <p>Encourage the class to think of what stone age people were like: eg.what the weather was like, what they wore and where they lived</p>
Houses and Homes	<p>Investigate the homes people lived in at this time. Caves and houses</p> <p>Look at the artefacts found in houses - furs, baskets, fire, pots</p>
Food	<p>Handle tools used in the stone age</p> <p>Look at the animals around in the stone age through looking at bones and pictures of animals such as mammoths and deer.</p>
Clothes	<p>Look at furs and other clothes worn by stone age people</p>
The monuments	<p>Stonehenge and Avebury</p> <p>Talk about things they may have seen in the countryside around them, near to where they live.</p> <p>Why would you build a stone circle</p>
Galleries	<p>Visit the round houses and West Kennet long barrow.</p> <p>Try the interactives including making a 'foamhenge' (this can also be done in the classroom)</p> <p>Houses and homes worksheet with stamp trail can be provided in the Museum</p>
Art and Craft (optional, depending on time)	<p>Make stone age pot or beaded jewellery</p>

## In the Classroom

- Make mini round houses using card, straw and other materials for a classroom display.
- Make a mock round house or cave, using a tent, sheets, card or existing wendy house. Encourage children to use this for role play to look at what it was like to live in a prehistoric house. Encourage them to imagine where would they sleep? How would they cook?
- Create cave art pictures to decorate a classroom or mock cave
- Ask children to bring in old objects they may have at home to look at materials, their properties, use etc...