



Philosophers Autumn Term 2 – Bronze Age to Iron Age Overview, Vocabulary and Sticky Knowledge



What do I already know about the Bronze and Iron Age?

In Explorers, I learned that...

- The first and most famous castle in England was the tower of London.
- William the conqueror decided that Nottingham Castle should be built in 1068 and was a wooden motte-and bailey castle. Today, it looks very different to how it started all those years ago! It is now used as an art gallery. (Battles, Balls and Banquets).

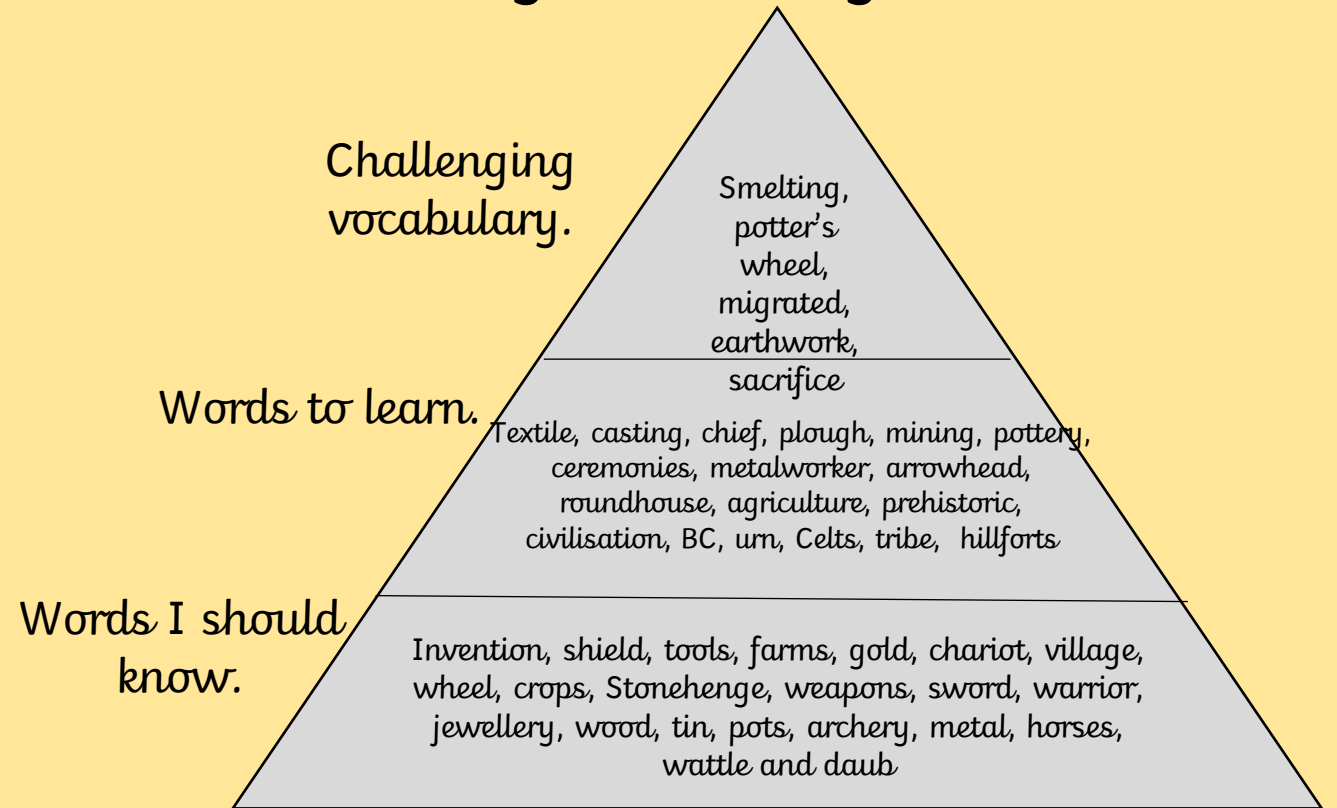
In Philosophers, I learned that...

- The Stone Age was followed by the Bronze Age period. This is when humans started to use metal.
- During the Palaeolithic Age (old Stone Age), people gathered food by hunting wild animals and birds, fishing and collecting fruits and nuts.
- During the Neolithic Age (towards the end of the Stone Age), the humans formed settled communities and domesticated plants and animals for the first time in history.

What will I now learn?

- Bronze was used for tools, weapons, armour and building materials.
- People in the Bronze Age and Iron Age lived in roundhouses. These could be very large and would have housed many people. These houses were sometimes rectangular and were often gathered in farming communities on hills. These were known as 'hillforts'.

Key Vocabulary:



Topic Traveller Question:

What was life like in Prehistoric Britain?

Answer this question in a creative way and bring into school at the end of this half term.

Sticky Knowledge:

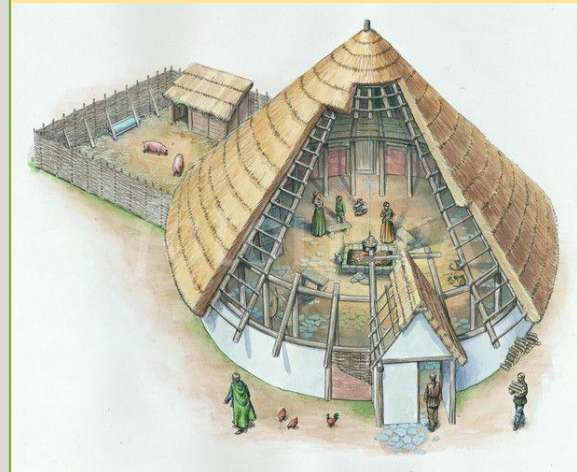
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- Druids were the priests of the tribes we call 'Celts'. Their job was to communicate with the more than 400 gods that the people of the tribes believed in.
- The druids believed the gods lived in nature. The main festivals were based around important times in the farming year. The Druids sacrificed food, precious objects and even humans to keep the gods happy.
- People learned how to use iron around 800BC. Iron tools made farming much easier than before and settlements grew in size.



Iron Age Coins



Bronze Age Tools



A roundhouse