

Blast from the Past Vocabulary Guide

	Stone Age Words	Definition
	archaeologist	a person who studies history through the excavation of sites and the looking at artefacts and other physical remains
	cave paintings	A type of art found on the wall or ceilings of caves dating back to the Stone Age.
	chronology	the arrangement of events or dates in the order of their occurrence
	hunter gatherer	A hunter-gatherer is a human whereby most or all of its food is obtained by foraging.
	mammoths	a large extinct elephant, typically hairy with a sloping back and long curved tusks.
	Mesolithic	The period between the Palaeolithic and Neolithic periods during the Stone Age.
	Neolithic	The final phase of the Stone age which began around 12,000 years ago when farming started to appear.
	Palaeolithic	the early phase of the Stone Age, lasting about 2.5 million years, when stone tools were used
	prehistoric	A period in time that occurred before written records.
	Stone Age	The Stone Age was a broad prehistoric period during which stone was widely used to make tools. The period lasted for roughly 3.4 million years.

	Iron Age Words	Definition
	barbarian	A person who does not belong to one of the great civilisations.
	Celts	The Celts were the most powerful people in central and northern Europe during the Iron Age.
	chariot	A type of carriage driven by a charioteer, using horses to move quickly.
	Druids	A priest in the ancient Celtic religion.
	hillfort	Hillforts were built on hilltops and surrounded by huge banks of soil and ditches.
	roundhouse	Roundhouses were the standard form of housing built in Britain during the Stone Age.
	settlement	A place where people begin a community.
	tunic	A loose garment, typically sleeveless and reaching to the knees.
	warrior	A brave or experienced soldier or fighter.

	Roman Words	Definition
	amphitheatre	An open circular or oval building with a central space surrounded by seats for spectators.
	aqueduct	An artificial channel for conveying water, typically in the form of a bridge across a valley.
	centurion	A commander of a century in the ancient Roman army.
	Empire	An extensive group of states or countries ruled over by a single monarch or a state.
	gladiator	A man trained to fight with weapons against other men or wild animals in an arena.
	mosaic	A picture or pattern produced by arranging together small pieces of stone, tile or glass.
	Mount Vesuvius	A volcano located in Italy close to Pompeii.
	myth	A traditional story, especially one concerning the history of people, they can involve supernatural beings.
	Pompeii	A vast archaeologist site in southern Italy. The city was buried in ash and pumice after Mount Vesuvius erupted.
	Romans	A citizen or soldier of the ancient Roman Empire.
	trade	The action of buying and selling goods and services.