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The Stone Age started when the last Ice Age finished. It began about ten thousand years ago. It ended about four thousand five hundred years ago. There were many changes during the Stone Age.
The first Stone Age men were hunters. They moved from place to place. Some lived in caves, others made shelters. Later on they started to live in groups.
They made huts from sticks, mud and straw.

They had a hole in the roof as a chimney.

Groups of huts became settlements.

A settlement is like a village.
Men made tools from stone.

They chose hard stone like flint.

They broke the stone to make sharp edges.

They made the sharp stones into axes.
Lots of materials were used to make tools and weapons.

Materials like antlers, bone, leather and wood.

Clothes were made from animal skins.

They also made jugs and bowls from pottery.
Stone Age men started to farm the land. They grew crops and kept animals. Dogs were the first animals to be domesticated. Dogs could hunt and warn of danger.
Men started to build special places to bury the dead.

They built burial mounds or barrows.

Many tombs were built with huge stones.

These are called henges, like Stonehenge.
There are many Stone Age remains in Britain. An important place is Skara Brae in Scotland.

The Stone Age ended in 2500 BC. This was when they learned how to make metals.
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