

What impact did the Iron Age have on Britain?

Geography

The United Kingdom is made up of:

- England, Capital City London
- Northern Ireland, Capital City Belfast
- Scotland, Capital City Edinburgh
- Wales, Capital City Cardiff



We will be using atlases and online resources to locate various cities in the UK.

The Iron Age



The Iron Age followed on from the Bronze Age. It was one of the first eras that developed using steel and iron to create tools that helped them in everyday life.

By this time in history, a currency had been created and some of the first coins ever made were designed, cut and distributed for trading.



Iron Age Careers

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| Farmers | Grew crops and vegetables. They kept geese, goats and pigs and had large herds of cows and flocks of sheep. |
| Potters | Using clay to create pots and jugs. British people started using potter's wheels at the end of the Iron Age. |
| Carpenters | Wood-turners used a pole lathe to shape pieces of wood into dishes, bowls or plates. |
| Metalworkers | Iron Age blacksmiths made strong swords and tools by heating a bar of iron over a charcoal fire. |
| Weavers | Moving away from animal skin Celtic weavers made clothes from wool and used natural dyes to colour their threads. They produced brightly-coloured cloth with bold patterns of checks and stripes. |
| Warriors | Men and boys trained to defend the settlement from invaders. |

Iron Age Hill Forts

Iron Age people chose to build their settlements on a hill for defensive advantage. The fortification usually followed the curves of a hill, with stockades or defensive walls, and external ditches. In Britain, there are around 3,300 structures that can be classed as hillforts or similar 'defended enclosures'.

Maiden Castle (Google Earth) Built about 600 BC



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Grammar Vocabulary

Command Sentence A sentence telling someone to do something. Commands usually start with an imperative verb.

Complex Sentence A sentence containing a subordinate clause or clauses. Example: When the bread is a golden brown colour, remove it from the oven.

Imperative Verb Verbs that create an imperative sentence or command sentence. Example: Fold the flour into the mixture. the imperative verb is 'fold'.

Alliteration The repetition of usually initial consonant sounds in two or more words or syllables. Example: Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers.

Rhetorical Question A question asked in order to create a dramatic effect or to make a point rather than to get an answer.

Art: Silhouettes

Solid 3D objects create shadows when light is shone onto them. This includes artistic sculptures.



Iron Age Diet

Farming was in good development by the Iron Age, especially with the improvement to tools. This allowed for a greater range of crops to be grown. Iron Age people ate crops like wheat, barley, peas, flax and beans. They also ate meat like cattle, sheep and pigs.



Computing: Creating Media Desktop Publisher

Font This is the style of writing used on a computer.

Orientation The positioning or overall layout of an item. Usually portrait or landscape.

Template A template is a pre-created document that already has some formatting, rather than starting with a blank document.

layout The position of objects in a space.

Content Describes the text within an e-mail, web page, or another file. Although this often refers to text, content can also refer to pictures, video, or anything else in the viewable page or file.

Reading

Ted Hughes wrote a book about an iron man. He is a lonely figure who relies on eating farming equipment to survive. Here he overcomes many obstacles.



As a poet Ted Hughes uses a range of poetic techniques in his story of the Iron Man.

Poetry Vocabulary

Simile Using words 'like' and 'as' to compare an unknown item to a known item. 'His head was shaped like a dustbin'

Repetition Repeating words or phrases to illustrate a point that the author wants you to remember.

Onomatopoeia Words that are spelt like they sound. CRAAAASSSSHHHHH!

Personification Gives a non-living object living characteristics: 'The wind sang through his fingers'