

Discover Archaeology

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What do you think it was like where you live 2000 years ago?
Would you like to find out?

2000 years ago, it was the **IRON AGE**. This is part of 'prehistory', which means people didn't write anything down. The only way we can find out about their lives is through **ARCHAEOLOGY**.

Do you know what archaeologists do?

Archaeologists work with companies like **National Highways**, who build **new roads**. Before the new road is built, we look for clues (**evidence**) from the past buried underground. We carefully remove and study them; they can tell us what life was like for people who lived a long time ago. We also ask a lot of **questions**. We use the evidence we find in our **excavations** to help us answer them.

Archaeologists do lots of different jobs. Whether you like **digging**, **computers**, **maths** or **drawing**, there is something for everyone!

Things an archaeologist might do:



Dig (excavate) places where people used to live



Collect **photos** and **information** to make maps or models of sites



Clean and **study** objects to find out what they are



Look at the **soil** to find the remains of **plants** and **animal bones**

What have we found so far?



Roman coins



Stone tools



A horse skeleton

Lots of pottery



Now it's your turn to be an archaeologist!

The activities in this pack will help you **discover** what it was like to live in Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire **2000 years ago**.

When you've finished you can use your new knowledge to answer these important archaeological questions:

Where did people live?



What did people eat?

What did people wear?



What did the Romans bring here?



Did you know cats have lived in Britain since the Iron Age?

Follow me to find out what life was like back then!

