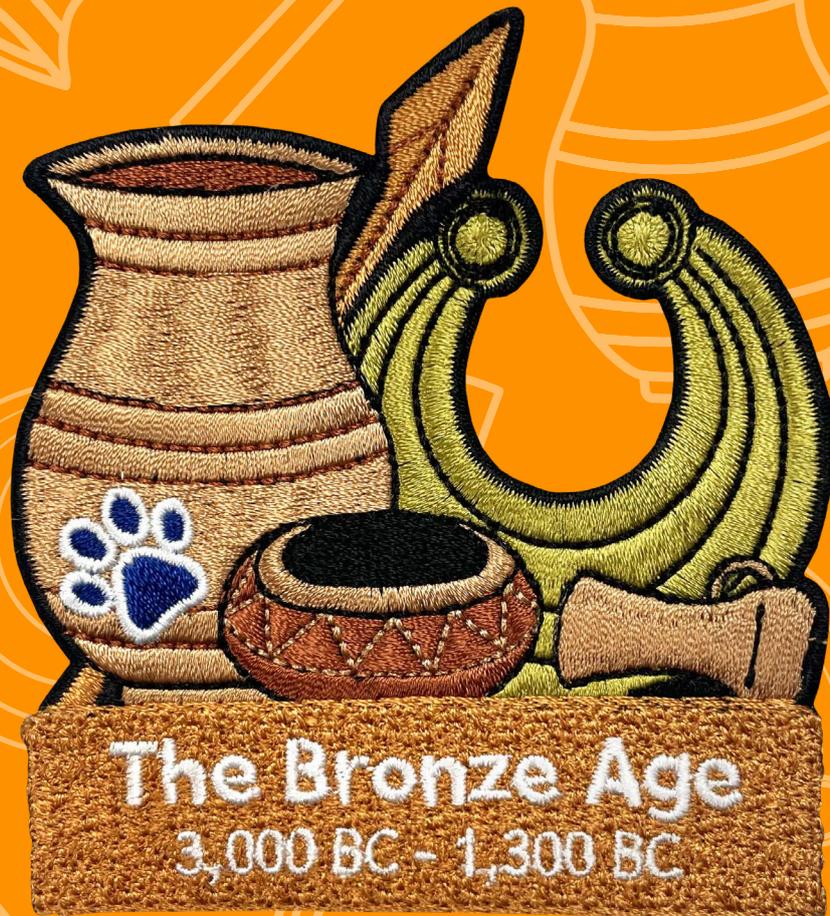


Bronze Age Challenge



Will you brave the Bronze Age?

The Bronze Age was the first time period where humans worked with metal, created liquid bronze, used the first forms of writing and invented the wheel.

For even more programme ideas check out our 'Bronze Age' board over on www.Pinterest.com/PawprintFamily

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Hi there! We're Charlotte & Jamie, the husband and wife team behind the Pawprint Family and we believe in #AdventureForAll.

It's our mission to help leaders, teachers and parents save time by providing ideas and opportunities to help them deliver everyday adventure and skills for life. We do this through our family of brands; find out more below and head to the website for your next adventure!



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Pawprint Badges provides thousands of free activity ideas and resources to help leaders, teachers and parents deliver fun and adventure.

Every activity helps you share skills for life and is linked to one of our pawesome embroidered badges. Build your collection and celebrate adventures, new skills and knowledge gained.

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Pawprint Trails are treasure-hunt style walks around locations in the UK. Solve puzzles, track down the answers and explore everything our great country has to offer.

From historical sights to popular culture discover something new or rediscover a love for where you live then collect the badge to remember your adventures!

Whether you're looking for the perfect addition to your next family holiday or a few hours of fun with friends; each trail can be completed in a few hours or extended with our activity suggestions in to a weekend or a week's worth of fun!

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Every brand in the Pawprint Family supports the Pawprint Trust with a percentage of profits from every sale providing grants to young people. We're passionate about enabling young people to access life changing adventures.

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HOW TO: Use Your Challenge Pack



This Challenge Pack has been divided into 4 sections: Craft, Food, Games and Other. In order to help you provide a balanced and varied programme for your young adventurers we recommend that the following number of activities are completed by each age group:

Age 3 - 5						
Age 5 - 7						
Age 7 - 11						
Age 11 - 14						
Age 14 - 18						
Age 18+						

Craft

Food

Games

Other

PICK

Leaders, Teachers & Parents
Award yourselves a badge for supporting your young adventurers in their activities!

TOP TIPS

- Adapt activities as necessary to meet your needs.
- Add your own activity ideas or develop them into projects.
- Use what you have; don't buy in lots of new materials/equipment.
- No need to send us evidence, responsible grown-ups decide when the badge has been earned.
- One challenge badge can take as long as you like; from a few hours to days or even a full term!

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Craft

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-  During the Bronze Age, humans used to pour liquid bronze into clay and sand moulds to make weapons and tools. Sieze the clay and make your own moulds from clay and sand and pour melted wax into them to create your own pieces of art.
-  Try using a pottery wheel. Many types of pottery items were used during the Bronze Age (e.g. food vessels, beakers, urns).
-  Weave a Bronze Age hair net. Check out our 'Bronze Age' Pinterest board.
-  Textile production in the Bronze Age meant that better clothing could be produced. Make a garment or item that can be worn, for yourself or a friend.
-  Try your hand at twig weaving.

Why?

Wood and stone houses were held together with 'wattle' in the Bronze Age. Wattle is a material made from woven twigs and wooden stakes, and is often used for roofing, fences or walls.

-  Create your own Bronze Age inspired necklace out of cardboard and paint.
-  Colour in a world map with all of the different societies that entered the Bronze Age and label when each one joined.
-  Long wooden boats were used to transport tin and copper across rivers and lakes. Make the most of an old baked bin tin and transform it into a boat! What a great way to sail-ebrate the Bronze Age...
-  Have a go at relief writing on the underside of a flattened out puree tin tube.
-  Try writing with different materials such as stick and ink or charcoal.

What?

It's believed that the first forms of writing started in Mesopotamia, modern Iraq. This is known as cuneiform writing, the oldest form of writing in the world! This script-style writing comes from the Latin word 'cuneus' meaning 'wedge', where a stylus is pressed into soft clay to produce wedge-like imprints that represent word-signs and symbols.

-  Build a blanket cave with old sheets. Why not paint cave paintings on the inside if they're really old sheets?!
-  Make an insect house from wood/stone, just like a Bronze Age roundhouse.



Food

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-  The Bronze Age was in-between the Stone Age and the Iron Age. Make a sandwich with 3 layers to represent the Bronze Age.
-  Bronze was created by mixing tin and copper together. Have a go at mixing a variety of cupboard ingredients to see if they mix or don't mix (e.g. oil and water, flour and water, etc.)
-  Make an all brown meal to represent the colour of bronze.
-  Put together a bowl of porridge with different types of grains, such as wheat and barley. Top with fruit and nuts for extra flavour!

What?

Plants and cereals were an important part of the human diet in the Bronze Age. When re-discovered on archaeological dig sites, charred remains of porridge type food such as emmer wheat and barley grains have been found sometimes still inside the bowls they were served in!

-  Eating wild boar, red deer and fresh water fish such as pike was common during the Bronze Age, as humans had to catch their own food. Try one of these ingredients in a recipe of your choice.
-  Bake your own shortbread biscuit tools such as spears, swords, axes and daggers. Why not spray your tools with edible bronze glitter too?
-  Grind some grains with a rolling pin and use them to make bread using a sourdough method.

Why?

Grains were milled on a saddle quern during the Bronze Age. A saddle quern consisted of a flat stone dish (bedstone) and rounded hand stone (rubber). Grains were placed into the dish and the rubber stone was pressed forwards and backwards over the grains to grind them down after they were harvested.

-  Find the difference between different types of grain. Compare their texture, smell, taste, size, and more.
-  Put together an edible archaeological dig with artefacts and chocolate soil.
-  Bronze was a shiny gold colour and richly decorated, and was therefore perfect for making jewellery and tools/weapons with fancy designs. Some Bronze Age brooches look just like licorice wheels! Make edible jewellery to look like bronze age jewellery.



Games

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-  You'll wheely like this one... See how many wheels you can find whilst out and about on your adventures. The very first wheel (a pottery wheel) was invented in the Bronze Age.
-  Guess the grain in the grain pots. Fill a variety of pots with grains for a partner and see how many grains they can guess just by their smell, texture, size, etc. Why not use this activity to help you earn your senses badges too?!
-  Hold a cart making competition.

Why?

Around 1000BC, humans learned to make carts with wheels, which were often used to transport people and goods. Provide your group with the same materials to make their carts, or make it more challenging by asking them to find their own materials. How will you judge which cart is the best? Will you judge the cart on it's strength, mobility, size?

-  Tools made of bronze were better than stone. Compare how hard and soft materials are and why some are better than others.
-  Create your own trading game. To make bronze, tin and copper were acquired through trading because they were mined in different places.
-  Trade improved during the Bronze Age as a result of improved navigation skills, knowledge of astronomy and mathematics. Play one of the following navigation games or make up your own:

Blind Directions

One player is blindfolded, the other is the navigator. Direct them to a safe point using North, East, South and West, or with simple directions such as "two steps to the left, 1 step forward" etc.

A Classic Treasure Hunt!

Provide players with compass directions that will lead them to the buried treasure. Will this treasure be a Bronze Age themed prize?!

-  On the theme of Bronze Age navigation, try and spot the different star signs in the sky at night.
-  Copper was mined during the Bronze Age. Play a game of minesweeper!
-  Plant fibres were used during the Bronze Age to create finely woven fabrics. Weave with humans. Everyone stands in a grid and people weave their piece of wool in and out to create a large piece of weaved wool.

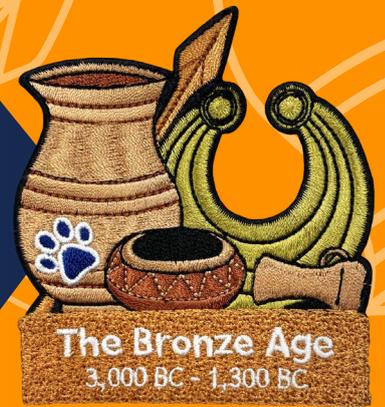


Other

-  Have a boat load of fun and take a boat ride along a river or across a lake. People in the Bronze Age used to travel by long wooden boats used for long distances and transporting heavy goods.
-  Visit a farm growing crops. Irrigation was invented in the Bronze Age.
-  Write a letter to a friend in hieroglyphics, a common way of communicating in Egypt during the Bronze Age. All of the Egyptian hieroglyphs can be found on our Howard's Hieroglyphs resource. Download and print this resource from our website for free to help you write your letter.
-  Get your green fingers out. On the theme of irrigation, water the plants around your house or volunteer at a local gardening centre.
-  Make a timeline of when different materials were invented (e.g. stone, bronze, plastic, cotton etc.). Bronze actually replaced stone as the strongest material from the Stone Age to the Bronze Age.
-  Take a trip to a local mine to discover how metal is extracted from stone.
-  Discover which civilisations were part of the Bronze Age. Are there any that you can link to other badges in our history timeline and earn those at the same time? If only there was an Egyptians badge... oh wait!
-  Visit a Bronze Age exhibition in a museum of your choice. Are they holding any Bronze Age workshops that you could take part in?
-  Take a wild ride, old-school style, on a horse and cart. The invention of the wheel during the Bronze Age meant that animal-drawn vehicles could be introduced into everyday activities.
-  By the start of the Bronze Age, people in Britain had learned to tame horses – visit a local paddock and pat the horses. You could discover more about how they are tamed and cared for too!
-  Visit Gladstone Pottery Museum in Stoke-on-Trent. All in a clay's work!
-  Ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia and the Shang Dynasty in China are some of the most well known Bronze Age civilisations. Do an activity inspired by one of these places. Head across to our website to find our free Egyptians Challenge Pack full of Egyptian-inspired activities.
-  Humans began to learn new skills during the Bronze Age, such as writing and discovering the uses of metal. Learn a new skill of your choice.

Adventure Complete?

Reward your young adventurers with their Bronze Age Challenge badge to mark their achievements! Head to the website to bag yours, download certificates and discover even more adventures!



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