

Early Humans Booklet

Homo Habilis “The Handyman”

Appearance:

- Long flat head
- Small brain
- 1.5 m tall
- Walked with a stoop

Shelter:

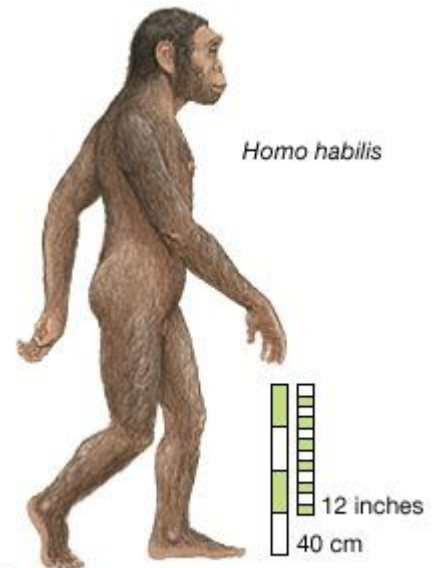
- Made out of branches
- Lived in only warm places
- Did not know how to make clothes
- Did not know how to make fire
- Skeleton fossils have been found in Africa

Food:

- Plants
- Bird's eggs
- Wild animals (like pigs)
- Would kill animals with rocks
- Would scrape off the hide and eat meat raw

Tools:

- All tools are made of stone
- Use a hammer to kill animals (rock)
- Sharp rock edge (knife) to cut open animals
- Scraper used to shave off meat



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Draw an image of what you think their shelter would look like in the box below:

Name: _____

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Homo Habilis Matching

Match the each sentence:

Homo Habilis...

- | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| a. Had a long flat head | 1. in a stooped way |
| b. Was 1.5 m tall and walked | 2. and a small brain |
| c. Lived in shelters made | 3. of branches |

Match each tool to it's job:

- | | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| a. Knife edge | 1. Shave off meat |
| b. Scraper | 2. To kill animals |
| c. Hammer | 3. Cut open animals |

Homo Erectus “Upright Man”

Appearance:

- Large bony eyebrow ridges
- No chin
- 1.5 m tall
- Spoke very little (grunts and noises)

Shelter:

- Lived in caves
- Fossils found in Africa, Europe, Asia, Germany, and England

Food:

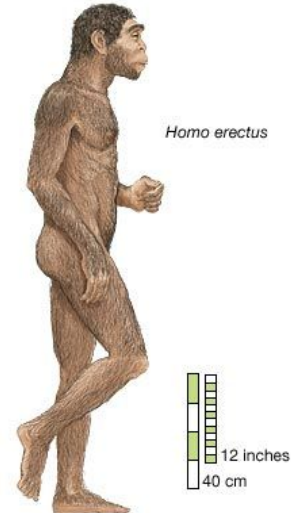
- Better hunting tools = more food
- Attacked large animals
- Wild plants

Tools:

- More advanced tools than Homo Habilis
- Used bones/rocks to chip away at materials to make blades for cutting
- Blades were put on wooden sticks and made spears
- Spears helped to improve hunting techniques

Fire:

- Knew how to make fire (rubbing two sticks together)
- Could live in colder climates
- Could cook food
- Used fire to protect themselves
- Light at night



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Draw an image of a tool Homo Erectus would use:

Homo Erectus Matching

Homo Erectus...

- | | |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| a. Had a bony eyebrow | 1. caves |
| b. Was 1.5 m | 2. and no chin |
| c. Lived in | 3. tall |

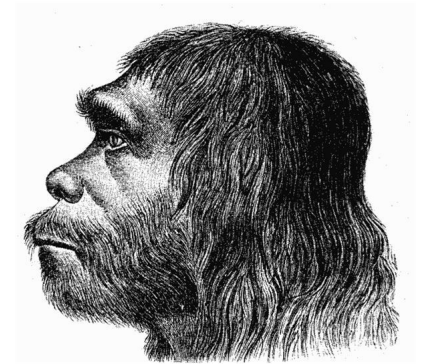
Match each tool to it's job:

- | | |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| a. Bones/rocks | 1. put on wooden sticks |
| b. Blades | 2. to chip at materials |
| c. Spears | 3. improved hunting techniques |

Neanderthal

Appearance:

- Large bony eyebrow ridges
- Small chin
- Taller than Homo Erectus
- Large bottom lip
- Wore some clothes made from animal hide



Shelter:

- Lived in caves
- Buried their dead
- Graves found in floors of caves
- Wrapped dead and placed flowers at graves
- Fossils found in Africa, Europe, Asia, Germany, and England

Food:

- Better hunting tools = more food options
- Attacked large animals
- Used fire to smoke bears out of caves
- Wild plants
- Cooked meat

Tools:

- More advanced
- Many different tools
- Used chipped rocks to make knives, spears, blade sharpeners
- Tools helped to hunt different animals, build shelters, and protect themselves against wild animals

Fire:

- Knew how to make fire
- Lived in colder places
- Cooked their food
- Used fire to protect themselves
- Had light at night

Draw an image of a Neanderthal hunting below:



Neanderthal Matching

Match the sentences:

Neanderthals...

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| a. Had a large | 1. bottom lip |
| b. Had a bony eyebrow | 2. caves |
| c. Lived in | 3. and a small chin |

Match their advancements:

Neanderthals...

- | | |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| a. Buried their | 1. than Homo Erectus |
| b. More advanced | 2. dead in graves |
| c. Hunted for | 3. clothes made of hides |
| d. Wore | 4. large animals (ex. bears) |

Cro-Magnon

Appearance:

- High foreheads
- Large chins
- Large brains (smarter than previous early humans)
- Taller than average humans
- Could speak
- Wore some clothes made from animal hide

Tools:

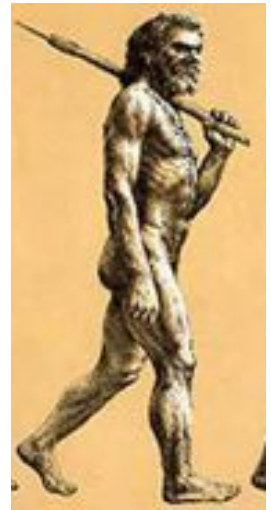
- More advanced than Neanderthals
- Many tools
- Used flint to make sharp blades
- Made chisels, knives, spear-points, needles, fish hooks, and harpoon heads
- Tools helped them to hunt lots of animals (ex. fish)
- Made “lamps” (out of stone bowls with animal grease and fur inside)
- Made necklaces out of shells and animal teeth
- Made flutes/whistles from animal bones

Farming:

- Discovered you could collect seeds and plant them for food
- Planted barley, rice, oat, sunflowers, and beans
- Helped people stay in one place
- Learned to tame animals (ex. goats, sheep, cattle, chickens, etc.)
- Used fire to cook food

Paintings:

- Made paintings on walls
- Used many colours
- Paint made from rock-powder and animal fat
- Brushes made from animal hair tied to bone
- Most pictures about hunting



Draw an image of what a cave painting would look like describing a hunt:

Cro-Magnon Matching

Match the sentences:

Cro-Magnons...

- | | |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| a. Had a large | 1. shells and teeth |
| b. Made necklaces from | 2. hunting pictures |
| c. Were more advanced | 3. brain |
| d. Used flint | 4. goat, sheep, cattle |
| e. Tamed | 5. than Neanderthals |
| f. Planted | 6. a variety of seeds |
| g. Painted | 7. to sharpen tools |