10 things everyone should know about the MESOLITHIC...

1. Mesolithic means “middle stone age”

2. The Mesolithic was from about 9,500 BC until 4,000 BC

3. Mesolithic hunter-gatherers caught and collected wild food

4. They used tiny flint (stone) tools called microliths to make arrows

5. Scientific tests show some people ate lots of fish

6. They lived in huts made of wood and animal skins

7. Britain became an island during the Mesolithic around 6,500 BC

8. Most of Britain would have been covered in trees

9. People buried their dead but sometimes they put parts of the skeletons into caves

10. At Star Carr, near Scarborough, Mesolithic people wore headdresses made from deer antlers

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A Mesolithic home

A Mesolithic Hunter

Hazelnuts

Birch trees

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