

Objective

By the end of this lesson, the first grade homeschool student will be able to understand the Stone Age and its significance in history.

Materials and Prep

- Chart paper or whiteboard
- Markers or chalk
- Pictures or illustrations of Stone Age tools and artifacts (optional)

Activities

1. Introduction to the Stone Age

Begin by asking the student what they know about the Stone Age. Write down their responses on the chart paper or whiteboard. Show them pictures or illustrations of Stone Age tools and artifacts, if available. Explain that the Stone Age was a time in history when people used stone tools and lived in caves or simple huts.

2. Stone Age Tools

Show the student different pictures or illustrations of Stone Age tools. Discuss the purposes of these tools, such as hunting, gathering, and building. Ask the student to imagine what it would be like to live during the Stone Age and rely on these tools for survival.

3. Stone Age Shelter

Talk about the types of shelters people in the Stone Age lived in, such as caves or huts made of branches and animal skins. Encourage the student to think about the advantages and disadvantages of these types of shelters compared to modern houses.

4. Stone Age Art

Show the student examples of Stone Age cave paintings or rock art. Discuss how these artworks were created using natural pigments and simple tools. Encourage the student to create their own Stone Age-inspired artwork using crayons or colored pencils.

First Grade Talking Points

- "The Stone Age was a long time ago when people used stone tools and lived in caves or huts."
- "Stone Age tools were used for hunting, gathering, and building."
- "People in the Stone Age lived in shelters like caves or huts made of branches and animal skins."
- "Stone Age people created art on cave walls and rocks using natural pigments and simple tools."