

This week we are moving through history from the dinosaurs to cavemen.

- 1) Make a timeline of animals that have become extinct. Do your own research online and draw some pictures in the correct order, or print and sort the numbered images in the timeline document.
- 2) Look at cave paintings online or the examples in our document. Have a go at creating your own cave art. You could use poster paints, chalks, or natural materials like mud and crushed plants. Try to draw at least one animal and instead of writing your name, add your handprint. You could do this on tea stained paper, a large rock, or a paving slab.
- 3) Practice some athletics skills while pretending to be a caveman/woman. Can you sprint fast as if a sabre toothed cat was trying to catch you? Can you throw a long stick like a spear or javelin? Can you throw a beanbag or ball from your shoulder like the shot-put or hunting an animal?
- 4) Have a go at building a den outdoors only using natural materials (and maybe some string). Is it big enough for you to safely hide in? Or is it a model den to hide a toy in? Would it shelter you from wind and rain? Maybe test it with a watering can?!
- 5) It has been suggested that the animals in cave paintings were brought to life when a fire was lit in the cave, with the flickering flames making the paint look like it was moving. You can get pretend fires on your TV or laptop screen using Youtube, this ones great!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RDfjXj5EGqI> .
Watch the flames and the play of light and shadows. What shapes/creatures does your imagination see? Spend some time reading or telling stories around/beside it like people did in the stone age. Here is a video showing how people might have lit fires before matches were invented
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1NynNghepCM>