

# Vlad and the Stone Age



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## Deer masks

Thirty-three masks were found by archaeologists at Star Carr. They had been carved from deer skulls and left in what used to be Flixton Lake. They may have been used in celebrations.

## Shale pendant

This is one of several beads found at Star Carr. There are markings on it and we don't know what they represent, but some ideas are a map, tally marks or maybe just a pattern for decoration.



## Houses

There is evidence of houses in Star Carr with post holes that were the base of circular homes. There would have been lots of reeds around Lake Flixton which would be a good material to cover them.

## Ice Age art

Our Mesolithic people take shelter in Creswell Crags where they find ancient art. This was created 8,000 years before this story and is an image of a deer. It is the oldest English prehistoric art.



## String

Bows, arrows, flint heads, clothes and bags would all need ways to hold them together. It is possible to make cords (string) from the stems of nettles or dandelions and roots.



## Fire

Essential for warmth, to cook meat, extract tar (for glue) and to keep wild animals away. A fire-making kit was found in Star Carr that included pyrite and flint which create sparks when struck together.

