

Stonehenge Charades

What was Stonehenge used for? Why was it built?

This game is based on current archaeological theories.

- 1) Cut out the cards and keep them face down.
- 2) Split the children into groups and give each group a card - they should keep it a secret from the other groups!
- 3) Groups take it in turns to act out what is on their card. The other groups have to guess what they are doing.
- 4) Alternatively, in Round 1 groups could start by saying 'Stonehenge is being used as.....'.. In Round 2 the cards are shuffled and the game continues as charades.



A Healing Place

Some people think that sick people visited Stonehenge because they believed the stones had special powers and could make them better.



A Meeting Place

Some people think that Stonehenge was used as place for people to gather and make friends. It is very big and could be seen from a long way away!



A Hunting Ground

Some people think that Stonehenge was used as a place to gather and go hunting. Lots of animal bones have been found nearby.



A Place to Celebrate the Shortest Day of the Year

Some of the stones at Stonehenge line up with the sun at Midwinter. This might have been a very special time for the Ancient Britons.



A Religious Temple

Some people believe that Stonehenge is where the Ancient Britons worshipped their gods and goddesses



A Place to Celebrate the Longest Day of the Year

Some of the stones at Stonehenge line up with the sun at Midsummer. This might have been a very special time for the Ancient Britons



A Place to Play Music

Music sounds really good at Stonehenge as the sound bounces off of the stones and back to the centre.



A Burial Site for Important People

Lots of burnt human bones have been found buried at Stonehenge. Perhaps this is where important people were buried.



A Place to Remember People who Died

Perhaps the Ancient Britons gathered at Stonehenge to remember and celebrate their loved ones who had died.