

Mesolithic Age

Key Words

Mesolithic

Middle

Stone

Hunted

Gathered

Flint

Mount Sandle

9000 Years ago the first people came to Ireland. This was called the **Mesolithic** or **Middle Stone** Age. It is called the **Stone** Age because they used **stone** for weapons and tools.

Archaeologists found evidence of what they ate. Bones from fish and animals and nut shells. This shows they were hunter gathers.

They lived in huts covered in animal skins. They used a **stone** called **flint**. **Mount Sandle** in Co. Derry is where the first Irish people settled.

What do I need to learn?

What does Mesolithic mean?

Why is this time called the Stone Age?

How did these people get their food?

Where did they live?

What was flint and what was it used for?