

Lanton Quarry School's Pack

Storytelling and Discussion Prompts

- Choose a period and ask the children to imagine that they are a child living in the area that is now Lanton Quarry at that time. They could write a story, draw pictures or discuss it within groups and then tell the rest of the class. They could also draw themselves as they think they would have looked wearing clothes from that period.

Here are some suggestions of questions that you could ask:

What is a normal day like for you and what do you enjoy most about living in this time period?

What do you dislike the most about living at this time?

What does your house look like? Do you like living there?

What job do you have to do?

What is your favourite thing to eat?

- Mantle of the Expert:

Tell one group of children that they are the Professors of Archaeology and experts in a certain time period (Neolithic, Bronze Age, Iron Age or Anglo-Saxon). They need to tell the rest of the class everything they know about that period in time and tell them about the archaeological evidence that they have used to gain that knowledge.

- Begin by telling the children that you live in either the Neolithic, Bronze Age, Iron Age or Anglo-Saxon period. Tell them your name (think of something suitably prehistoric) and that you live in Northumberland. Then, going round the children in a circle, ask each child to make up a part of your life, e.g. what you have for breakfast, what your house looks like and what you do for a living.
- A variation on the above is that the children imagine that it is them living in either the Neolithic, Bronze Age, Iron Age or Anglo-Saxon period and that they have to go round in a circle taking turns to make up aspects of their own lives.

