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PALEOLITHIC ERA

Characteristics of Hunter-Gatherer Societies during the Paleolithic Era (Old Stone Age):

- ** Nomadic (constantly migrated in search for food, water, and shelter)
- ** Invented the first tools and weapons (made of stone)
- ** Learned how to make fire
- ** Lived in small clans (groups)
- ** Developed oral language to communicate
- ** Created "cave art"

NEOLITHIC ERA

Characteristics of Societies during the Neolithic Era (New Stone Age):

- ** Developed Agriculture (Agricultural/Neolithic Revolution)
- ** Domesticated animals
- ** Used advanced tools
- ** Lived in permanent settlements
- ** Made pottery
- ** Developed weaving skills

HOMO SAPIENS

- ** Homo Sapiens (Early Humans) emerged in Africa sometime between 100,000 and 400,000 years ago
- ** Homo Sapiens migrated from Africa to Eurasia (Mesopotamia), Australia, and the America's.
- ** Early Humans (Homo Sapiens) were hunter-gatherers. Their survival depended on their environment and the availability of wild plants (for gathering) and animals (for hunting).