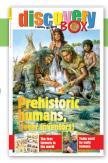


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Prehistoric humans, clever inventors!



D4 DARWIN

ancestor (n) a plant, animal, or object that is related to one existing at a later point in time 祖先 | 祖先

clumsy (adj) doing things in a careless and awkward way 笨拙 | 笨拙 prehistoric (adj) before there were written records 史前 | 史前 savannah (n) a large piece of grassland 稀樹草原 | 稀树草原 speak for yourself (phr) that is your opinion only, not mine 那只是你的看法 | 那只是你的看法

squat (v) to sit with your bottom not touching the ground 蹲 | 蹲 **upright** (adj) vertical 直立的 | 直立的

ZOOM IN

antler (n) a branched structure that grows on the head of a deer 鹿角 | 鹿角 bark (n) the outer layer of a tree trunk 樹皮 | 树皮

bison (n) a wild ox often found in North America or Europe 野牛 | 野牛

eliminate (v) to remove 清除 | 清除

erupt (v) (of a volcano) to throw out lots of melted rocks, ash and hot gases 爆發 | 爆发

explore(v) to search and discover 探索 | 探索

eye (n) the hole on one end of a needle 針眼 | 针眼

flake (n) a small, thin piece of something 碎片 | 碎片

flicker (v) to shine with light that is sometimes bright and sometimes weak 閃爍 | 闪烁 flint (n) a stone or metal to produce fire 火石 | 火石

fungus (n) (plural = fungi) organisms which feed on decaying things 真菌 | 真菌 **get over** (phr v) to overcome 克服 | 克服

out of reach (phr) cannot be touched because it is far away 夠不着 | 够不着 **parasite** (n) an animal that lives inside larger animals 寄生動物 | 寄生动物

poke (v) to push an object into someone or something 捅 | 捅

scrape (v) to remove a top layer from something 刮 l 刮

sliver (n) a very small, thin piece of something 碎片 | 碎片

smash (v) to hit and break 猛撞 | 猛撞

spear (n) a long weapon with a pointed end 矛 | 矛

species (n) a set of animals or plants whose members are similar to each other 物種|物种

specific (adj) referring to a particular something but not others 特定 | 特定 **thrush** (n) a brown bird that is good at singing 畫眉鳥 | 画眉鸟

vulture (n) a large bird that eats the flesh of dead animals 禿鷲 | 禿鹫

wick (n) a piece of string which supplies fuel to a flame 燈芯 灯芯



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INVESTIGATE

archaeologist (n) an expert in the study of the ancient past 考古學家 | 考古学家 attempt (n) an effort to try something difficult 嘗試 | 尝试

blow (n) a hard hit 重擊 | 重击

clue (n) something that helps you find the answer 線索 | 线索

fleck (n) a small bit of something 小片 | 小片

glow (v) to give out light without flames 發光 | 发光

mammoth (n) an elephant-like animal, with long hair and very long tusks, that no longer exists 長毛象 | 长毛象

ochre (n) a natural material which is used to paint a yellowish-orange colour 赭石 (用作顏料) | 赭石 (用作颜料)

pierce (v) to make a hole using a sharp point 刺穿 | 刺穿

pine needle (n) the leaf of a pine tree 松葉 | 松叶

resin (n) a thick sticky liquid that comes out of some trees 樹脂 | 树脂

sawdust (n) the dust and pieces that fall off when you cut wood 鋸木屑 | 锯木屑 **technique** (n) the method and skill of doing something 技術 | 技术

PICS & FACTS

carnivore (n) an animal that eats meat 食肉動物 | 食肉动物

nomad (n) a group of people who travel from place to place all the time 遊牧民族 | 游牧民族

offering (n) a gift prepared for God 祭品 | 祭品

sickle (n) a tool for cutting grass or grains, with a curved blade 鐮刀 | 镰刀

spin (v) (past tense = spun) to make thread 紡線 | 纺线

weave (v) to make cloth by crossing threads through each other 織布 | 织布

WILD LIFE

bristly (adj) having coarse, stiff hair on an animal 有硬毛、鬃毛的 | 有硬毛、鬃毛的 captivity (n) (of animals) kept in a place and not allowed to leave 圈養 | 圈养 colonel (n) a top army officer 上校 | 上校

dorsal (adj) on the back of an animal 動物背上的 动物背上的

foal (n) a young horse 幼駒 | 幼驹

graze (v) to eat grass 吃草 | 吃草

muzzle (n) the mouth and nose of an animal, especially a dog or a horse 口鼻 | 口鼻rival (n) someone who competes with you 競爭對手 | 竞争对手

wispy (adj) in the form of a small group of hair 小束 | 小束

FUN FACTS

clan (n) a group of families that share the same family name 氏族 | 氏族 hibernate (v) to sleep through the winter 冬眠 | 冬眠

natural reserve (n) an area that is protected to keep the animals or plants safe 自然保育區 | 自然保育区

poisonous (adj) very harmful and able to cause illness or death 有毒 | 有毒