

Ancient History

Crash Course

Chapter 1



Origins of Culture



500000-10000 BC - First Ice Age - Pleistocene

10000 BC Onwards - Second Ice Age - Holocene



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Homonid



- The first Hominid was born 2400000 years back in Africa.
- First and earliest Hominids were called Australopithecus.
- Australopithecus in India was Ramapithecus at the Siwalik Mountain.
- In Chin and Indonesia, they were called Sinanthropus. They were most intelligent.



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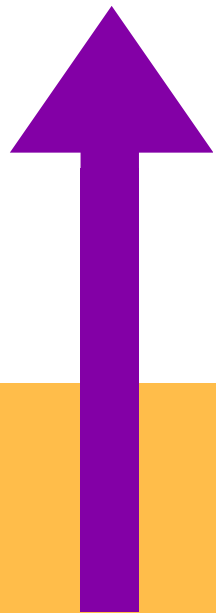
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Development

240000-138999

BC



Old Stone
Age

138000-38000

BC



Middle Stone
Age

38000-11000

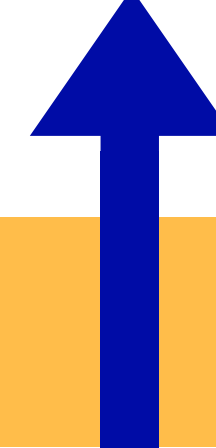
BC



Upper Stone
Age

11000-10000

BC



Mesolithic
Age

10000-4500

BC



Neolithic
Age



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Paleolithic Sites in India



Bhimbehtka Caves in Madhya Pradesh

Borra Caves in Andhra Pradesh



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Neolithic Age



- 10000 - 4500 BC
- Neolithic Revolution because so many discoveries were made.
- Food producing society.
- People started to settle.
- Women played dominant role.
- Village establishment.
- Pottery Making.



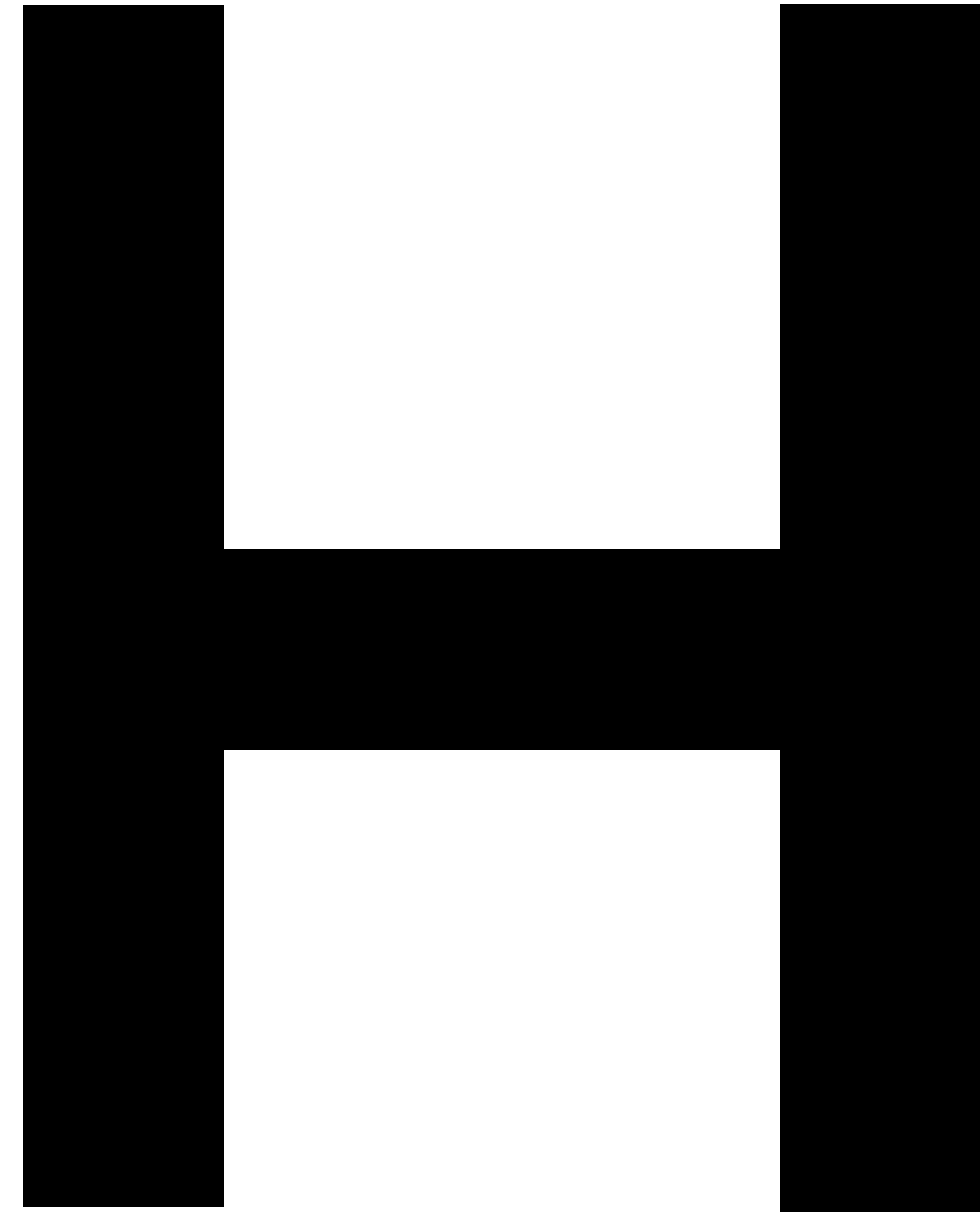
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Neolithic Culture

- Prominently found in Burjhom in Kashmir.
- Use of mettal in the last pahse of Neolithic culture.
- Double Burial Syatem in H shape.
- The man was buried with wife or servant or someone dear.



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Neolithic Sites in India



- Kondiwaha in Rajasthan (All food crops were found)
- Chirrand in Bihar (Tools made of bones)
- Dharamagiri, Takkalikota and Hosur in Karnataka
- Utnoor in Andhar Pradesh
- Payampali in Tamil Nadu (Ash mounds probably to clear forest)
- Mehargarh in Baluchistan (Pak) (It survived for the longest period till 3500 BC First culture to contact with Mesopotemia.)



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