

Farming in the Iron Age



Answer the following questions about Iron Age farming.

1. How is iron better than bronze?

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a. Iron is more durable than bronze.

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b. The ores for making iron are easier to mine.

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c. Iron is easily shaped into tools.

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2. How was the ard an improvement on the bronze ploughs?

1. _____

2. _____

3. Are these statements about Iron Age farming true or false?

True

False

Animals were not allowed inside the hillforts.

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The Celts farmed on hillsides.

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Farmland was usually divided into rectangular fields.

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4. Use the useful words to complete the sentences.

Many Iron Age farmers ploughed the land, planted _____
and grew crops. This was called _____ farming. They
used _____ to help the crops grow bigger and faster.
Some farmers also raised animals for food, milk and clothing. This was called
_____ farming.

Useful words

- arable
- fertiliser
- pastoral
- seeds

5. Give two reasons why the Celts stored crops inside their hillforts.

1. _____
2. _____

6. Read the sections about trade and the way of life of Iron Age farmers. Would you have liked to be a farmer in the Iron Age? Why?

