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Where did the Celts live?

The Celts lived in round huts which were made from mud, clay, straw and tree branches. There were no windows. They had fences around their huts and farms. They lived in small villages.

What did the Celts wear?

Celts wore clothes with lots of bright colours. They often had checks and stripes on their clothes. They were made from wool which would be woven into fabric on a loom. They wore leather shoes.

What did Celts do?

Most Celts were very good farmers. They used iron tools to work the land. They grew crops like wheat, barley, cabbages and beans.

They kept animals like cows, sheep and goats to use for milk, meat, leather and wool. Some Celts were blacksmiths, spinners or boat builders. Blacksmiths made tools, horseshoes, weapons, helmets and shields.

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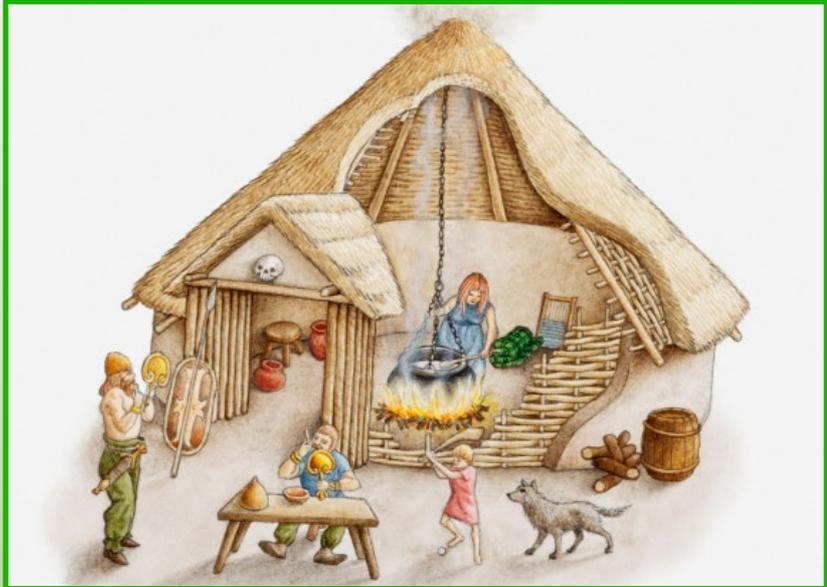
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Where did the Celts live?

The Celts lived in roundhouses made from wattle and daub. Wattle was branches woven together and daub was a mixture of mud, clay and straw. They would also build fences around their homes and farms. Most Celts lived in small villages. They didn't have big towns or cities like the Romans did.



What did Celts do?

Most Celts were farmers and even the Romans admitted that they were very good at farming. They used iron tools that helped them to work heavier soils and grow better crops. They were also the first ones to sow their crops and spread their fields with manure to fertilise it. They grew parsnips, cabbages, wheat, barley and beans. They also kept cows, goats and sheep for milk, meat, leather and wool. Lots of Celts were also skilled craftsmen like blacksmiths, spinners or boat builders. Blacksmiths made tools and horseshoes, as well as weapons, helmets and shields.

What did the Celts wear?

Celts loved to wear brightly coloured clothes with stripes or checks. They would use plant dyes to dye the fabric. Looms were used to weave wool into fabric which was then sewn together. Men would wear trousers, a tunic and a long woollen cloak. Women would wear long dresses down to their ankles. Both men and women would have worn shoes made from leather. Socks hadn't been invented yet.

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Celts loved feasting, singing and story-telling. They were very proud people who were fiercely loyal to their tribe. They liked to be clean and look nice. Important people wore jewellery which was intricately decorated. They worshipped many gods and had Druids (or priests) as the tribal wise men. They believed in an after-life and buried their dead with objects they might want there.

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Read Information Sheet A and then answer the questions below:

What were Celtic houses like?

What kinds of foods did Celtic farmers grow?

Draw a picture to show what a typical Celtic man or woman might have worn:

What did a blacksmith do?

Name three things that the Celts liked doing:

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Would you have liked to have been a Celt?

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Read Information Sheet B and then answer the questions below:

Describe what Celtic houses were like, both inside and out:

What kind of clothes did the Celts wear?

Why were the Celts such good farmers?

Describe what a Celt might have eaten at a feast:

Draw a picture to show some of the things a blacksmith may have made:

What kinds of things do you think a Druid would have done?

Would you have liked to have been a Celt?



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Read Information Sheet B and then make a factsheet about Celtic life using the headings below:

Celtic Homes

Celtic Clothes

Celtic Farmers



Celtic Craftsmen

Would you have liked to have been a Celt? Explain your reasoning.

<p>Start</p> 	<p>Question Card</p> 	<p>You earned a bronze ring. Have another go.</p> 	<p>Finish</p> 
<p>Question Card</p> 	<p>Your sheep have given enough wool for a new cloak. Roll again.</p> 	<p>Question Card</p> 	<p>A rival tribe has stolen your iron tools. Go back 1 space.</p> 
<p>You earned a bronze ring. Have another go.</p> 	<p>A rival tribe has stolen your ox. Go back 1 space.</p> 	<p>Your tribe has beaten a rival tribe in battle. Have another go.</p> 	<p>Question Card</p> 
<p>A rival tribe has attacked your village. Miss a turn.</p> 	<p>Question Card</p> 	<p>You earned a bronze ring. Have another go.</p> 	<p>You have the most animals in the village. Have another turn.</p> 
<p>Question Card</p> 	<p>Your farm has produced more crops than ever this year. Roll again.</p> 	<p>Question Card</p> 	<p>You earned a bronze ring. Have another go.</p> 
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<p>What shape were Celtic houses?</p> <p>Answer: Round</p>	<p>What were Celtic houses made from?</p> <p>Answer: Wattle and daub</p>	<p>Did the Celts live in small villages or big cities?</p> <p>Answer: Small villages</p>
<p>What did Celts use to dye their clothes bright colours?</p> <p>Answer: Plant dyes</p>	<p>What patterns did Celts like to use on their clothing?</p> <p>Answer: Stripes and checks</p>	<p>What did Celts make their shoes out of?</p> <p>Answer: Leather</p>
<p>What material did Celts make their farming tools from?</p> <p>Answer: Iron</p>	<p>Which animal did Celtic farmers keep that gave them their clothes?</p> <p>Answer: Sheep (wool)</p>	<p>What material did Celts use to decorate shields and swords?</p> <p>Answer: Bronze</p>
<p>The Celts used soap. True or false?</p> <p>Answer: True</p>	<p>What kind of job did a bard have?</p> <p>Answer: Poet and musician</p>	<p>What was the name for a Celtic wise man or priest?</p> <p>Answer: Druid</p>
<p>What colour did Celtic warriors traditionally paint their bodies?</p> <p>Answer: Blue</p>	<p>Who were the most important members of a Celtic tribe?</p> <p>Answer: Warriors</p>	<p>Which part of the body did the Celts believe held the soul?</p> <p>Answer: The head</p>
<p>What was a torc?</p> <p>Answer: A neck ring</p>	<p>What materials did Celts use to make jewellery?</p> <p>Answer: Gold, silver or bronze</p>	<p>Celts could read and write. True or false?</p> <p>Answer: False</p>