

# Early Humans Activity

| Time Period                                | Name                                 | Quick Glimpse   | Picture |
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| <b>About</b><br><b>4.5 Million BCE</b>     | Ardipithecus Ramidus<br>"Ardi"       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4.4 million years old</li> <li>• Lived in a heavily wooded environment</li> <li>• Hands and feet made for grasping tree limbs</li> <li>• Pelvis indicates, however, she could stand and move on two feet</li> <li>• First <i>bipedal</i> hominid</li> </ul>  |         |
| <b>About</b><br><b>3 Million BCE</b>       | Australopithecus Afarensis<br>"Lucy" | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3.2 million years old</li> <li>• Human-like <i>hominid</i>.</li> <li>• Special because she was able to stand upright</li> <li>• In addition to bipedalism, difference between australopithecus and apes are the hands</li> </ul>   |         |
| <b>About</b><br><b>2 Million BCE</b>       | Homo habilis<br>"Handy Man"          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1.8 – 1.6 million years old</li> <li>• First true human</li> <li>• Taller, with a larger brain than ancestors</li> <li>• Lived in Africa</li> <li>• Used stone tools. First tool-maker.</li> <li>• Used fire, but could not make or control fire.</li> </ul>   |         |
| <b>About</b><br><b>1.5 Million BCE</b>     | Homo erectus<br>"Upright Man"        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1.6 million – 300,000 years old</li> <li>• Made and controlled fire</li> <li>• First true hunter</li> <li>• More advanced tools</li> <li>• Migrated out of Africa to Europe and Asia</li> </ul>  |         |
| <b>About</b><br><b>500,000 BCE</b>         | Homo Neanderthalis<br>"Pre Moderns"  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• About 500,000 – 30,000 years ago</li> <li>• Task-specific tools: Stone-tipped spears, bone needles, bone fish hooks</li> <li>• Sewed their clothes from animal skins.</li> <li>• Animal skin clothes and warm boots allowed them to live in Northern climates</li> <li>• Neandertals buried their dead with ceremony, indicating possible religious beliefs</li> </ul> |         |
| <b>About</b><br><b>25,000 - 10,000 BCE</b> | Homo sapien<br>"Early Moderns"       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 40,000 – 10,000 years ago</li> <li>• Semi-permanent homes with central hearths for fires</li> <li>• Art includes cave art, jewelry, pottery, statues, and tattoos</li> <li>• Probably the first loose form of government</li> </ul>  |         |