Answers

The Celtic Age of Iron

1. What material is iron mixed with to make steel?

Iron is mixed with carbon to make steel.

2. Iron rusts when it comes into contact with which two elements?

Iron rusts when it comes into contact with air and water.

3. Who were the Gauls?

The Gauls were a tribe of Celts who lived on mainland Europe in an area that included what we now call France.

4. Why might people have started to use iron instead of bronze to make tools and other equipment?

There might have been a shortage of bronze and iron might have been cheaper and stronger.

5. Why could there have been iron in Britain earlier than 2700 years ago?

There could have been iron in Britain earlier than 2700 years ago but the evidence could have rusted away.

Life in the Iron Age

1. Where in the UK is Danebury Hillfort?

Danebury Hillfort is in Hampshire.

2. How many years are there in a decade?

There are ten years in a decade.

3. What jobs might people have had in the hillfort?

Looking at the picture people might have had the following jobs: roofer, shepherd, cattle farmer, leathermaker and builder.

(You might have listed other jobs too.)

4. What might the burial pit at Danebury suggest about life in the hillfort?

The burial pit at Danebury Hillfort suggests that the people might have fought a lot or that there may have been a war when they would have had to bury a lot of people quickly.

5. What does the sword handle suggest about the people of the hillfort?

The sword handle suggests that the people of the hillfort were skilled craftspeople.