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Millions of years ago, before we were Homo sapiens (modern humans), our **ancestors** lived like other animals trying to survive. We didn't have **tools** or technology. The first tools were made of stone 2.6 million years ago. Later, tools were made from bones and wood. Knowledge of how to make and use these tools was passed from generation to generation. These ancient tools were the first steps that led to today's world. There were two **evolutionary** changes that helped us develop technology. One is the development of our thumb which allows us to hold and use tools and other objects. The other evolutionary change was walking on two feet. The oldest **evidence** of a human ancestor walking comes from a six million year-old **fossil**. By two million years ago our human ancestors were walking.

Check the above bold words, read the paragraph, then brainstorm more vocabulary below.



ax
chop
tool



canoe
paddle
stream



fire
warmth
cook
cave
painting
protection



wheel
invention
vehicle
metal
copper
coin

