



Téma: Stonehenge, Avebury

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Stonehenge

- Stonehenge is situated on Salisbury Plain near Amesbury in England.
- You can walk around the stone circle formed by a bank and ditch arrangement called a henge.
- There are just ruins in the centre of the circle today.
- Stonehenge was constructed about 5000 years ago.



- When it was built there were huge stones called **sarsens** that came from the Marlborough Downs about 30km away. Some of them had **the top lintels**.
- Smaller stones were **bluestones** from Wales about 400km away.
- **The outer ring** was made of 30 **sarsens**, **inside** this stood **another circle of 60 bluestones**.



- Inside that was a horseshoe of 5 enormous sarsens and inside this was another horseshoe of 19 bluestones.
- The Altar Stone stood in the centre.
- The Slaughter Stone marked the entrance.
- It may have been a temple – human sacrifices.
- It may have served for the Sun worship and observing the stars.
- On Midsummer's Day, the sun rises above the Heel Stone.



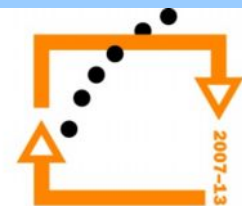
Avebury

- It is the largest stone circle in Britain.
- There are earthworks called dykes with a henge 421m in diameter and 1.35km in circumference.
- A great Outer Circle was made of 98 sarsens.
- There are small stone circles – the Northern inner ring, the Southern inner ring and long avenues of stones.



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