Make a Bronze Age Hoard

Work in groups. 5 groups would be about right for 30 children.

- Now you have learnt about what sort of things were buried and some of the reasons why they might have been buried, discuss within your group what you would like to bury as a hoard it could be lots of the same thing, for example all axe heads, or lots of different things, for example pieces of jewellery, spear heads etc. Also, discuss the reasons for why you are burying them.
- Each of you make an object for your hoard. This could be drawn on card and cut out or, perhaps, made of a modelling compound/clay. Be imaginative. For example, if a gold bangle is chosen, how about using a pipe cleaner and wrapping it in gold or silver foil? As all hoards are for display, ensure the objects are not too large.



- Each group now draws and colours a landscape on a large sheet of paper for their hoard. Again, be imaginative. Where has the hoard been found? It could be in a river or lake, in a farmer's field, a burial mound. It might even be under what is now a car park in the middle of a town? The landscape could be a backdrop to the displayed hoard OR the hoard could be displayed in the middle of the sheet, perhaps in a hole dug by the archaeologists.
- As a finale, each group could work on a story to tell the rest of the class about why their hoard was buried and/or how it was discovered.