Prehistoric Coins

During the Iron Age, there were lots of tribes in different areas of Britain. Coins were sometimes used for trading, but also act like a badge to tell people about their tribe leader and what they were good at.

If you look at this coin, what can you see? What does this make you think this tribe were really good at?



Imagine you are a person in an Iron Age tribe in ancient Britain. Write a list of the things you think your tribe would have been good at and design your tribe coin.



A Roman coin from the collections at Durham University, showing a possible Iron Age person with long hair and a musical instrument called a carnyx.

Gold Coin from Henley Hoard with the image of a horse



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