

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: Encounter

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- **Forest:** bosque.
- **Hunter:** cazador
(**hunt:** cazar)
- **Gatherer:**
recolector.
(**gather:** recolectar)
- **On earth:** en la
tierra.
- **World:** mundo.

For thousands of years the AOL tribe have lived in the **forests** of South America leading the same **hunter-gatherer** lifestyle as the first humans **on earth**. In 1998 one family came face to face with the 20th century. This was a chance of encounter between two **worlds** united by their humanity, divided by history by thousands of years of civilization.

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: wisdom

This is the story of 70.000 years of human history and **wisdom**, conquerors, heroes, tyrants, disasters... from hunter-gatherers to great explorers. It shows us where we come from, who we are and what the future might **bring**. The history of the world.

- **Wisdom:** sabiduría.
- **Bring:** traer.



HISTORY OF THE WORLD: struggle

- **Wise:** sabio.
- **Evolve:** evolucionar.
- **Survive:** sobrevivir ...
 Survival: supervivencia.
- **Struggle:** luchar.
- **Floods:** inundaciones.
- **Threaten:** amenazar.

Africa, 70.000 years ago. These people have fully developed modern humans just like us: homo sapiens. It means **wise** man. We **evolved** over hundreds of thousands of years **struggling** to **survive** adapting to the Earth's ever-changing climate: Ice ages, **floods**, volcanic eruptions... constantly **threatened** the human race with extinction.



HISTORY OF THE WORLD: strength

Experts believe the human population was once reduced to a mere 10.000 people, but those who survived emerged **stronger**, **smarter**, and better organized.

- **Strong:** fuerte.
- **Smart:** inteligente.



HISTORY OF THE WORLD: hunter-gatherers



- **Need:** necesidad..
- **Shelter:** refugio.
- **Die:** morir.
- **Hunger:** hambre.

These were hunter-gatherers, living at the **mercy** of nature, driven by the most basic human **needs**: food, water, **shelter** from the elements. Declare anywhere home and they would **die of hunger**.

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: perilous journey



In this small group was one of the most important women who ever lived. Her story unites us all. For her and her people, life was a **perilous journey**.

- **Perilous:** peligroso.
- **Journey:** viaje.

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: migration

Over thousands of years many tribes **followed** animal migration **paths** and spread out from Africa. All the tribes that made that journey **perished** except one. The solitary group, no more than a thousand people, successfully **crossed** the Red Sea to the Arabian Peninsula and they survived and prospered.

- **Follow:** seguir.
- **Path:** sendero.
- **Perish:** perecer.
- **Cross:** cruzar.



HISTORY OF THE WORLD: one woman

Among them, a woman who **helped propel** humanity forward, we don't know her name, but she **left** an extraordinary **legacy**. Scientists have concluded that everyone in the world **outside** sub-saharan Africa has a **tiny** mutation in their genes, and it can be **traced back** to one woman.

- **Help:** ayudar
- **Propel:** impulsar.
- **Leave – left:** dejar.
- **Outside:** fuera de.
- **Tiny:** minúsculo.
- **Trace back:** remontar.



HISTORY OF THE WORLD: we are her children

- **Related to:** relacionado con.
- **Child pl. children:** hijo(s).
- **Survivor:** superviviente.
- **Single:** único.
- **Grow - grew:** crecer.

She unites us all: Australian Aboriginals, Scandinavians, North and South Americans, Europeans, Chinese and Indians... all are **related to** her. We are her **children**, the **survivors** of that **single** journey out of Africa. And from this small band our numbers **grew**.

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: spread across the world

70.000 years ago we were already equipped with the essential **skills** needed to **stay alive**: language, cooperation, **weapons** for **hunting** and to protect ourselves from **prey**. And we kept moving, step by step, mile by mile, generation by generation... our numbers multiplied and we **spread** out across the world.

- **Skill:** habilidad.
- **Stay alive:** mantenerse vivo.
- **Weapon:** arma.
- **Hunt:** cazar.
- **Prey:** presa.
- **Spread:** extenderse.

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: arrival in Europe

First we **travelled** east along the coast **towards** India and East Asia. About 50.000 years ago some of us **reached** Australia. We crossed the Bering Straits about 15.000 years ago, and people quickly spread right down through the Americas. From middle-east others headed North-west about 45.000 years ago. They **arrived** in Europe.

- **Travel:** viajar.
- **Towards:** hacia.
- **Reach:** alcanzar.
- **Arrive:** llegar.



HISTORY OF THE WORLD: Neanderthals

- **Ancestor:** antecesor.
- **Settle:** establecerse.
- **Discovery:** descubrimiento.
- **Scarce:** escaso.
- **Resource:** recurso.



When our **ancestors** began **settling** in Europe they made a **discovery**: we, humans, came face to face with a very successful closely related species. They've been living here for more than 150 thousand years: the Neanderthal. We coexisted with Neanderthals in Europe for between five and ten thousand years, competing for the same **scarce resources** to survive.

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: one advantage

They were bigger, stronger than us, but we had one **advantage**: our **highly developed** language. It **allowed** us to pass on new skills, make better weapons and organize ourselves to hunt more efficiently.

- **Advantage**: ventaja.
- **Highly**: altamente.
- **Developed**: desarrollado.
- **Allow**: permitir.



HISTORY OF THE WORLD: Neanderthal decline

As humans began to spread out across Europe the Neanderthal population went into rapid **decline**. We don't know **for sure** what happened to the Neanderthals, and **it seems likely** that we, humans, **drove** them **out** to their hunting grounds. Some believe we may even have eaten them.

- **Decline:** declive.
- **For sure:** con certeza.
- **It seems likely:** parece probable.
- **Drive ... out:** expulsar.



HISTORY OF THE WORLD: new threats

Around 30.000 years ago Neanderthals were driven to extinction. Modern humans were now **ready** to **rule** the world. But our existence would soon be threatened once again. Europe 27.000 years ago. Temperatures started to **plunge**. Ice, sheets extended over much of the northern hemisphere. Once again we had to adapt, move or die.

- **Ready:** preparado.
- **Rule:** dominar.
- **Plunge:** caer en picado.



HISTORY OF THE WORLD: a simple tool

The invention of a simple **tool** revolutionized our **lives**: the **sewing needle**, a tiny innovation that would **change** the history of the world. This needle was discovered in southern France. It's 17.000 years old.

- **Tool**: herramienta.
- **Lives**: vidas.
- **Sewing needle**: aguja de coser.
- **Change**: cambiar.



HISTORY OF THE WORLD: needle and thread

- **Carve:** esculpir.
- **Achievement:** logro.
- **Thread:** hilo.
- **Allow:** permitir.
- **Sinew:** tendón.
- **Harsh:** duro.
- **Withstand:** resistir.
- **Predator:** depredador.

To **carve** a fine tool like this was an extraordinary **achievement**. A **thread** made of animal **sinew** **allowed** us to shape and stitch clothing to protect us. We were better able to **withstand** the **harsh** ice age climate. We could track animals, further hunt for longer. We became one of the world's most effective **predators**.

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: the weapon of language

Armed with language and the skills of organization and the ability to **sew** clothes we, humans, were increasingly inventive and **resilient**, and now we **began** to **look for** something more than survival.

- **Sew:** coser.
- **Resilient:** resistente.
- **Begin - began:** empezar.
- **Look for:** buscar.

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: recording history

In the French Pyrenees there's **evidence** that we wanted to **leave** an individual record of our existence. 27.000 years ago we made our first **efforts** to record history. Here, in the Gargas **caves** in the south of France, are the oldest humans **handprints** to be found anywhere in the world.



- **Evidence:** pruebas.
- **Leave:** dejar.
- **Effort:** esfuerzo.
- **Cave:** cueva.
- **Handprint:** huella de la mano.

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: a universal statement

- **Ancestor:** antepasado.
- **Statement:** declaración.
- **Here:** aquí.
- **Skill:** habilidad.



Similar prints have also been discovered in Argentina, Australia, North America, South Africa. Our **ancestors** were making a universal **statement**: we are **here**. Humans now had the **skills** to make tools, to make clothes and to make an individual mark.

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: new ways

To **sustain** our progress we were now looking for **new ways** to **master** nature and to **feed** our ever **expanding population**.

- **Sustain:** sostener.
- **New ways:** nuevas formas.
- **Master:** dominar.
- **Skill:** habilidad.
- **Feed:** alimentar.
- **Expanding:** en expansión.
- **Population:** población.