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Old and New Stone Ages Compare and Contrast

(Use with "The Lives of Hunter-Gatherers During the Old Stone Age" article and pages 44-47 of your textbook.)

Life of Hunter-Gatherers During the Old Stone Age	Topic	Life of Farmers During the NEW Stone Age
70,000 BC to 10,000 BC	When	10,000 BC to 4,000 BC
Cold Glaciers	Climate	warmer
Few plants	Plants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increase in number of plants.• People began to grow their own food.
Followed the animals (food)	Movement of People	People began to settle down in towns/civilizations
Small groups Less than 20 people	Size of the Group People Lived In	Large groups (towns)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hunting animals• Gathered fruit, nuts & berries	Methods of Obtaining Food	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hunting animals• Agriculture – growing plants & animals as a food source.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spear thrower made hunting safer because the spear could be thrown from a distance. 	<p>Improvements Made That Helped People Obtain More Food</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animals were used to help with the work and carry heavy loads: horses and cattle • Plows helped break up the ground • Learned to cultivate (prepare land) for growing crops • Planting crops provided a steady food supply
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men hunted • Women gathered fruits, nuts & berries 	<p>Jobs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boat building • Men built homes/villages • Basket making, weaving, pottery, eating utensils, etc.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lived in small groups in caves 	<p>Structure of Society</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lived in villages along rivers

Compare the way people lived were made between in Old Stone Age and the New Stone Age. What was the major advance that improved the way people lived during the New Stone Age? Explain.