**PREHISTORY AND BASQUE LANGUAGE**

1. **Where does Euskara come from?**
* ESAN enautsi – Proto-basque) (to say) + ARA (way of): way of saying / speaking
* EUSKO (basque) + ARA (way of)
* ESKU means also “hand”. It could be related.
1. **When were the Basques already living in the today’s Basque Country?**

120,000 years old.

1. **What does Proto- Basque mean? When were the first words were discovered? Name two words**

Proto-Basque refers to the reconstruction by deduction of the Basque language that could have been spoken before this language came into contact with Latin. It dates back to the 5th century BC and the year I.

\* Proto- basque words (see PPT- origins of Basque)

-Aizkora, aizto..

-Ur, lur, elur, urte, hezur..

-Seme, gizon, andere..

1. **What sentences were found in X. Century on the glosses of Saint Emilianus?**

• Guet ajutuezdugu (ez dugu laguntzarik): We have no help

• Jziogui dugu (piztu dugu): We have lit it up

1. **What did the Basque leave in the Stone Age? What is their significance?**

 In the Stone Age they left us menhirs, dolmens, cromlechs and paintings on the walls of the Ventalaperra and Santimamiñe caves (Bizkaia)

 **6. Name at least two caves in Basque Country.**

Ekain and Altxerri (Gipuzkoa).