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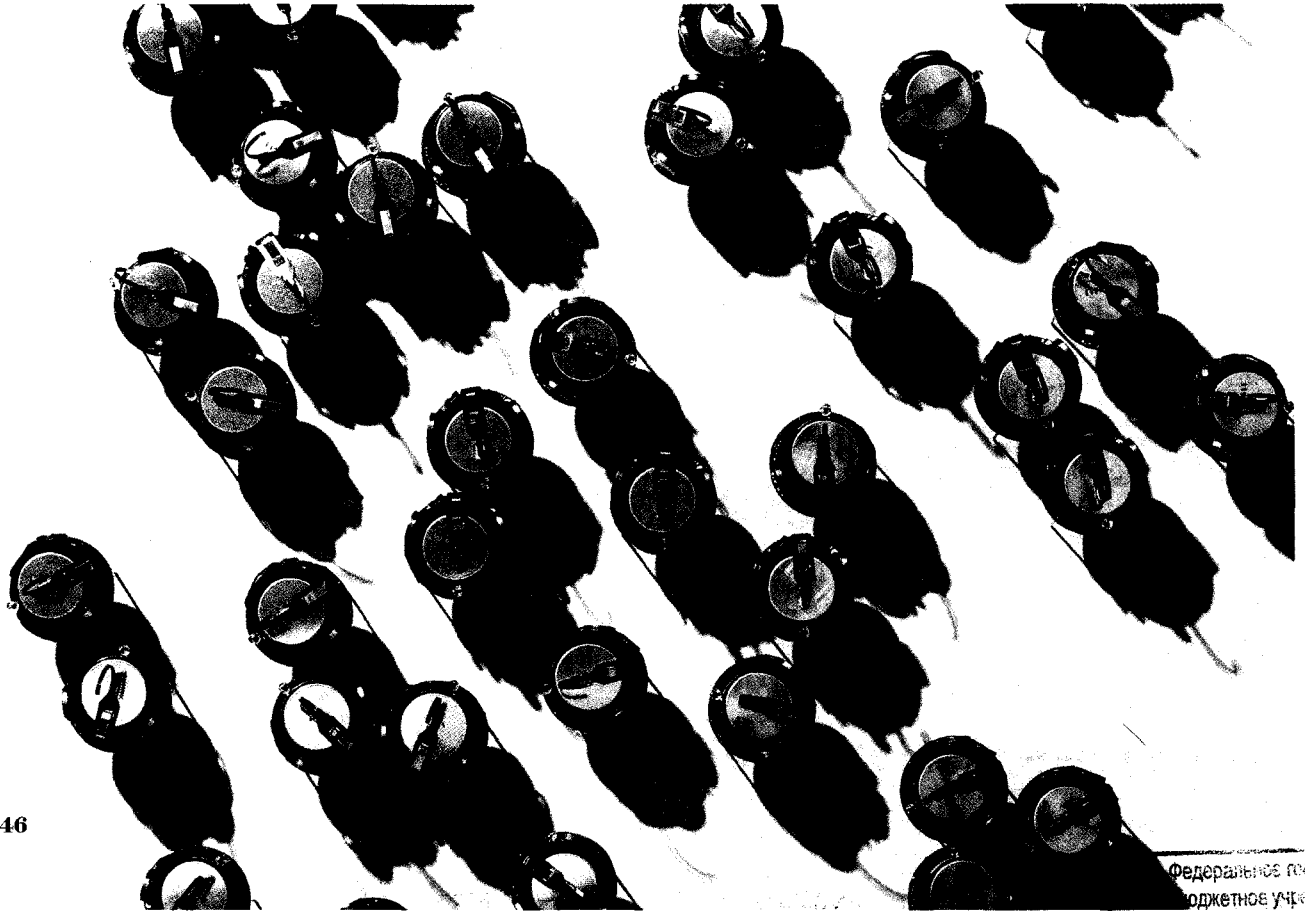




Scientists once thought humanity's knack for innovation exploded some 40,000 years ago, perhaps as a result of a lucky genetic mutation. But recent archaeological discoveries have shown that our ancestors began making sophisticated weapons and art far earlier, suggesting that a complex combination of biological and social factors kindled our powers of creativity. Image by David Palumbo.

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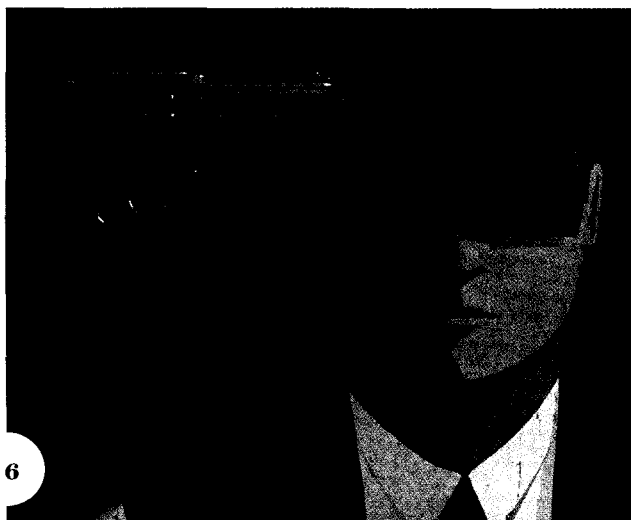
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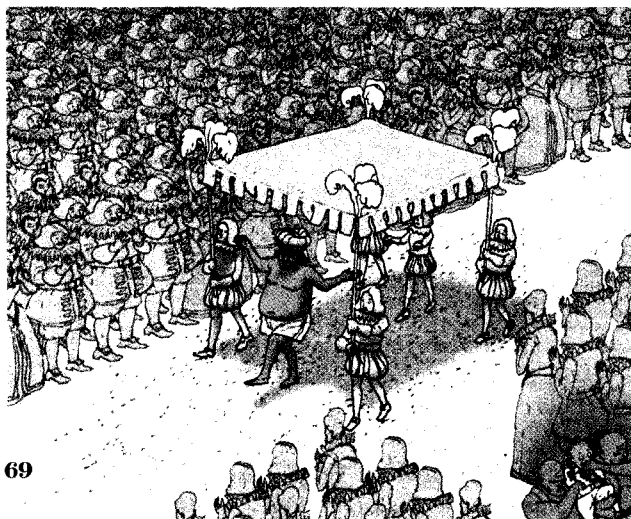
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