

Secrets of the Sands

Key Questions

- Where is Egypt and what is it like today?
- How do we know about the Ancient Egyptians? What evidence do we have?
- What importance did Gods/Goddess have in day to day life?
- Why were Egyptian pyramids built?
- How did Ancient Egyptians communicate with each other?
- What significance did their clothing have and why was facial make up important?



Amun
King of the Gods



Ra
God of the Sun



Anubis
God of Mummification



Horus
God of the Sky

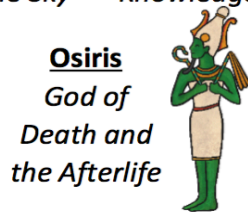


Thoth
God of Knowledge



Isis
Mother Goddess,
Goddess of Protection and Healing

Key Gods



Osiris
God of Death and the Afterlife



Great People

Tutankhamun

- Who was he?
- How does he compare to other well-known leaders?
- When was his Tomb found?
- What impact did he have on Ancient Egypt?











Useful Links

- <https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient-egypt.php>
- <https://www.historyforkids.net/ancient-egypt.html/>
- <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/egypt/ten-facts-about-ancient-egypt/>

Key Vocabulary

- Chronological Order
- Timeline
- New Kingdom
- Middle Kingdom
- Old Kingdom
- Ancient Egypt
- Pyramids
- Gods
- Goddess
- Tutankhamun
- Mummification
- Mummies
- Sarcophagus
- Hieroglyphics
- The Great Sphinx
- Tomb
- Afterlife
- River Nile
- Hierarchy
- Pharaohs
- Slaves
- Death Mask
- Temples
- Priests
- Present
- Clothing
- Lifestyle
- Canopic Jar

Key Information

<p>Pyramids</p> 	<p>The pyramids were built as burial places and monuments to the Pharaohs. As part of their religion, the Egyptians believed that the Pharaoh needed certain things to succeed in the afterlife.</p>
<p>Hieroglyphics</p> 	<p>The Ancient Egyptians used picture words to write called hieroglyphics. It is a very old form of writing that they starting using as early as 3000 B.C. Hieroglyphics was a very complicated way of writing involving 1000s of symbols.</p>
<p>The Afterlife</p> 	<p>The afterlife was an important part of Ancient Egyptian culture. It is the place they believed they would go once they had died.</p>
<p>Mummies</p> 	<p>One of the ways they prepared for the afterlife was to try and preserve the body as long as possible. They did this through a process called embalming. These embalmed bodies are called mummies. The Egyptians went through an elaborate process to preserve the body and keep it from decaying.</p>
<p>Pharaohs</p> 	<p>The Pharaohs of Ancient Egypt were the supreme leaders of the land. They were like kings or emperors. They ruled both upper and lower Egypt and were both the political and religious leader. The Pharaoh was often thought of as one of the gods.</p>
<p>Gods/Goddess</p> 	<p>Religion played a big part in the lives of the Ancient Egyptians. They believed in a wide variety of gods and goddesses. These gods could take different forms, usually as animals. There were some gods and goddesses that were more important and prominent than others.</p>
<p>The Great Sphinx</p> 	<p>A Sphinx is a mythological creature with the body of a lion and the head of a person. In Ancient Egypt a lot of the time the head was that of a Pharaoh or a God. The Egyptians built sphinx statues to guard important areas such as tombs and temples.</p>
<p>The Valley of Kings</p> 	<p>The Valley of the Kings was a great burial ground for the Pharaohs. After around 1500 B.C. the Pharaohs no longer built great pyramids in which to be buried. Instead, most of them were buried in tombs in the Valley of the Kings.</p>



Ancient Egyptian Timeline

Old Kingdom - 2500BC to 2000BC

Middle Kingdom - 2000BC to 1500BC

New Kingdom - 1500BC to 332BC.



6000BC - Early people settled in the Nile valley. Egyptians began to use clay and silt from the river to make pottery vessels.



5000BC - Many Egyptians farmed sheep and cattle. Some Egyptians grew wheat and barley on the fertile land on the Nile Valley.



4500BC - Sails were used on Egyptian ships for the first time. Boats were the main form of transport in Ancient Egypt.



3500BC - Craftsmen began to create the first wall paintings using Hieroglyphic symbols in the Egyptian writing system.



3000BC - Walled towns and villages were built in Egypt. The first buildings were made of mud brick.



2500BC - Egyptians built the Great Sphinx and the Great Pyramid at Giza.



1550BC - Many of the royal tombs were built in the Valley of the Kings.



1325BC - King Tutankhamun was buried in the Valley of the Kings. In 1922 his tomb was discovered, inside were wonderful treasures and the mummy of the Pharaoh covered by a beautiful gold death mask.



332BC - Egypt was invaded by Alexander the Great and was then rule by Greek Kings.