



ASPIRE Curriculum Knowledge Organiser

A Journey Through Time - Ancient Egyptians

Year 6

Autumn



What? Key Knowledge Takeaways

- Egypt is situated in the northeast corner of Africa.
- The Ancient Egyptians believed in many gods and goddesses, who took many forms often as animals.
- The Ancient Egyptians believed in an Afterlife, where the soul would meet the body again, so they mummified their Pharaohs.
- Pharaohs were kings or queens of Ancient Egypt.
- Egypt would not have thrived had it not been for the River Nile. The River Nile would flood to ensure crop growth.
- The Ancient Egyptians used small pictures to communicate ideas. This writing is known as hieroglyphs.
- The Ancient Egyptians have impacted our world significantly; they gave us things like paper, make up, toothpaste and much more.

Who? Famous People

Tutankhamun	King Tut lived around 1332 BC to 1323 BC, and because he was only ten years old when he became a pharaoh, he was called the 'boy king'.
Cleopatra	Cleopatra was one of the most famous women in history. She ruled ancient Egypt for 21 long years. She was the last Pharaoh of Egypt.
Howard Carter	Howard Carter was a British Archaeologist, who became world-famous after discovering the tomb of Tutankhamun, in November 1922.
Khufu	Khufu was the second pharaoh of the fourth dynasty, who built the infamous Great Pyramid in Giza.
Rameses II	Rameses II was a pharaoh who is often referred to as the greatest, most celebrated and most powerful pharaoh of the New Kingdom.

Key Vocabulary

Definition

Delta	A wetland area created by the build-up of sediment, where a river empties into a large body of water.
Curator	A keeper or custodian of a museum or other collection.
Dynasties	A line of hereditary rulers of a country.
Nobles	A person of noble rank or birth.
Hierarchy	A system in which members of a society are ranked in order of relative status or authority.
Agriculture	The practice of farming, including the cultivation of the soil for growing crops and rearing animals.

When? Timeline

3100 – 2950 BC	2950 BC	2575 – 2150 BC	2250 BC	1332 – 1323 BC	1279 – 1213 BC	196 BC	51 – 30 BC	30 BC
Hieroglyphics are First Used	Memphis is Built	The Great Pyramids are Built	Gods introduced for all areas of everyday life	Tutankhamun ruled over Egypt	The reign of Rameses II	The Rosetta Stone is Carved	The reign of Cleopatra	Romans invade and conquer Egypt.