

Aspire Curriculum Knowledge Organiser: A Journey Through Time Ancient Egyptians

Big Question: What can we learn about Ancient Egypt from what has survived?

Autumn 1





What? Ke	v Knowledae	Takeaways

Year 6

-Egypt is situated in the northeast corner of Africa.

-Whilst some pyramids were tombs, not all pharaohs were buried in pyramids. Some pyramids can be visited by tourists today such as the Great Pyramid of Giza which stands at 147 meters tall and took over twenty years to build.

- -The Ancient Egyptians believed in an Afterlife, where the soul would meet the body again, so they mummified their Pharaohs.
- The Ancient Egyptian Civilization occurred around the same time that Stonehenge was built and the Stone Age Iron age occurred.
- -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 use things like paper, make up, toothpaste and much more.

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	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 VII	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.	
	Djoser	This famous third dynastic pharaoh is known for overseeing the famous step pyramid at Saqqara which is a famous milestone in Egyptian architecture. Djoser was also buried in this pyramid.	

	Key Vocabulary	Definition
	Pharaoh	The kings or queens of Ancient Egypt.Ironically, the Egyptians never used the term pharaoh - it came from an old English word.
	Curator	A keeper or custodian of a museum other collection.
	Dynasties	A line of hereditary rulers of a country.
	Mummification	A process where the skin and flesh of a corpse is preserved and the body is prepared for the afterlife.
	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 51 - 30 BC 30BC 3100 - 2950 BC 2575 - 2150 BC 1332 -1323 BC 1279 - 1213BC 196 BC AD 1922 The Great Pyramids are Hieroglyphics are First Tutankhamun ruled The reign of Rameses II The Rosetta Stone is The reign of Romans invade and Howard Carter discovers built Cleopatra VII Tutankhamun's tomb over Egypt carved conquer Egypt...