

ANCIENT EGYPT

YEAR 3 | AUTUMN 1

OVERVIEW

We will be studying the Ancient Egyptian period to answer the question: **How did early Egypt form as a civilisation?**

KEY PEOPLE



King Tutankhamun
Ancient Egyptian pharaoh who ruled in the 18th dynasty from 1332 – 1323 BC.



Akhenaten
Ancient Egyptian pharaoh who ruled from 1351 – 1334 BC. Tutankhamun was his son.



Cleopatra VII
The last active ruler of the Egyptian empire, she ruled from 51 – 30 BC.



Howard Carter
British archaeologist famous for the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb in November 1922.



Lord Carnarvon
Wealthy, amateur Egyptologist who funded Howard Carter's excavation of King Tut's tomb.



The Ancient Egyptian civilisation lasted for over **3000 years**

Over **130** pyramids have been discovered so far

The Egyptian alphabet contained more than **700 hieroglyphs**

The River Nile is **4160 miles long**

KEY VOCABULARY



civilisation



pharaoh



mummification



tomb



amulet

Key dates

7000 BCE

Settlement of the Nile begins

3100-3600BC

Early Egypt – walled towns and villages are built

2600-2100BC

Old Kingdom – pyramids and sphinx begin to be built

1539-1075BC

New Kingdom – pyramids replace by tombs. Tutankhamun rules during this period

332BC-395AD

After Cleopatra's death the Roman's take over. Alexander the Great conquers Egypt

FACTS

- The civilisation of Ancient Egypt was located along the River Nile in northeast Africa.
- Historians have grouped the time periods of Ancient Egypt into three key periods: Old, Middle and New Kingdoms
- Religion and government were tied together. The Pharaoh was in charge of both
- Cats were considered sacred in Ancient Egypt!

KEY PLACES

The River Nile



GLOSSARY

afterlife	Ancient Egyptians believed in a life after death and called this the underworld.
amulet	A small ornament or piece of jewellery used to give protection against evil on the way to the afterlife.
civilisation	A society or place reaches an advanced place of social and cultural development.
irrigation	A supply of water to land or crops to help with growth. This is typically in channels.
mummification	The process of preserving a dead body as a mummy.
Pharaoh	A ruler in Ancient Egypt.
tomb	A large vault, typically underground, for burying the dead.

EVIDENCE: WHICH SOURCES ARE RELIABLE?

The Internet



Pyramids



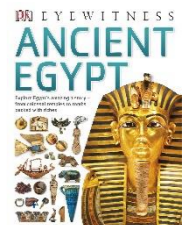
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