



Connected Curriculum Topic:

Tomb Raiders

Year 4

Autumn Term

Egypt is in the northeastern side of Africa. The world's longest river, the Nile, runs through Egypt to the Mediterranean sea.



Timeline of Key Events (approximate dates)

Old Kingdom 2600 BCE - 2100 BCE	
Middle Kingdom 2000 BCE - 1650 BCE	
New Kingdom 1540 BCE - 1075 BCE	
7500 BCE	First settlers in Nile valley
3500 BCE	First use of hieroglyphic symbols
3100 BCE	Narmer unites regions of Lower and Upper Egypt
2650 BCE	First Step pyramid built
2550 BCE	Pyramids at Giza built
2335 BCE	Pyramid texts written as magical spells to protect the pharaohs
1472 BCE	Hatshepsut becomes caretaker ruler
1336 BCE	Tutankhamen becomes pharaoh
1279 BCE	Ramses II becomes pharaoh
1100 BCE	Upper and Lower Egypt split
332 BCE	Alexander the Great conquers Egypt
196 BCE	Rosetta stone is carved
30 BCE	Egypt becomes a Roman Province
1922 CE	Carter discovers Tutankhamen's tomb

Some Important Pharaohs

Narmer	Said to be the first Pharaoh of all Egypt around 3150 BCE
Khufu	Pharaoh responsible for building the of the Great Pyramids of Giza
Hatshepsut	First and longest reigning female Pharaoh
Tutankhamun	Youngest Pharaoh
Ramses II	Also known as Ramses the Great, built more statues and temples than any other
Cleopatra VII	Considered the last Pharaoh of Egypt. Made alliances with Mark Anthony and Julius Caesar.

Primary Source

An original document, photograph, building or object from the historical event or period.

Secondary Source

Documents, replica objects or recreations based on a primary source(s).

Key Vocabulary

Term	Definition
afterlife	The place where Egyptians believed they would go after they died.
Akhet	The season of the year when the Nile river flooded. A very important time of year in the desert!
canopic jars	Special jars that held the organs of a mummy including the lungs, intestines, liver and stomach.
dynasty	A period of rule when a series of Pharaohs all came from the same family.
Egyptologist	An archaeologist who focusses Ancient Egypt. Howard Carter discovered Tutankhamun's tomb.
hieroglyphics	A type of writing that used a combination of pictures and symbols.
mummification	The process of preserving a body after death in preparation for the afterlife.
papyrus	A plant that grew on the banks of the Nile. It was used as an early version of paper.
pharaoh	The supreme ruler of all of Ancient Egypt.
sarcophagus	A large stone box that held a mummy's coffin. Often richly decorated for Pharaohs.

Some Key Egyptian Gods



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



Osiris
God of Death and the Afterlife