

Knowledge organiser- Year 4- Ancient Egyptians

Stone Age
Up to c2300 BC

Bronze Age
c2300 BC

Iron Age
c800 BC

Great Fire of
London 1666

Start of school
2017

COVID
pandemic
2020

Start Year 4
2021



Ancient Egypt
From c3000 BC to c30BC

Key vocabulary

After life	A place where Ancient Egyptians believed they would go after they died.
Akhet	Egyptian farmers divided their year into three seasons , based on the cycles of the Nile River : Akhet - the season of the flood was between June and September.
Dynasty	A period of rule when a series of Pharaohs all came from the same family
Egyptologist	An archaeologist who focusses on Ancient Egypt. Howard Carter discovered Tutankhamun's tomb.
Pharaoh	The supreme ruler of all of Ancient Egypt.
Canopic Jars	Special jars that held the organs of a mummy including the lungs, intestines, liver and stomach
Sarcophagus	A large stone box that held a mummy's coffin. Often richly decorated for Pharaohs.
Mummification	The process of preserving a body after death in preparation for the afterlife
Hieroglyphs	A type of writing that used a combination of pictures and symbols
papyrus	A plant that grew on the banks of the Nile. It was used as an early version of paper.

Daily Life in Ancient Egyptian Times

Clothing



Most people wore light linen clothing. Some women wore feathers and beads. Some people wore sandals made from woven grass. Rich people had nicer material.

Food



They used wheat for bread and beer. They also ate fruit and vegetables.. Fresh water was hard to find. They used clay ovens.

Homes



Average people lived in one floor sun-baked mud homes. They often slept on the flat roof when it was hot! Rich homes were made from wood and brick, and they often had a shrine to their god.

Jobs *look at the pyramid of jobs below*

Most people were farmers. They would grow crops, barley, wheat and vegetables near to the River Nile.

Jewellery

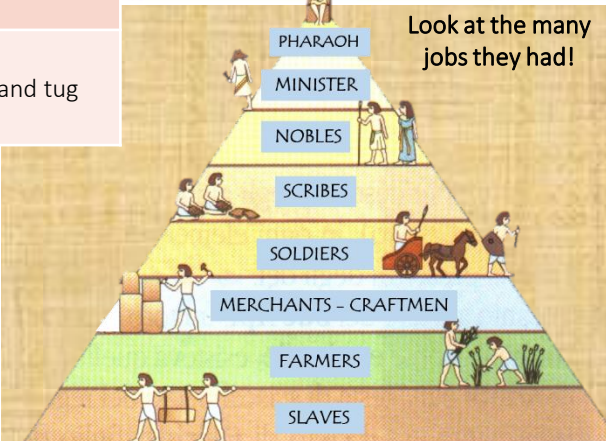
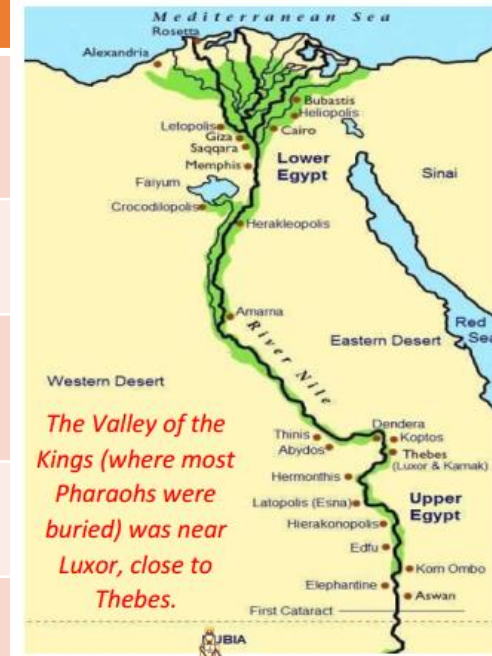


The rich showed their wealth by wearing gold rings, earrings, neck collars and pendants. Men and women also wore makeup.

Sports and Recreation



There were many sports, such as archery, swimming, rowing, hockey, senet, javelin and tug of war. These showed strength!



Useful websites:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zg87xnb>
https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_egypt_questions.php
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hO1tzm1V5g>