

Year 3 – The Ancient Egyptians

Key concepts in history which run through all topics: parliament, civilisation, empire, peasantry

Subject Specific Vocabulary	
civilisation	Societies achieve an advanced stage of development and organisation
pyramid	Stone structures built as tombs to bury pharaohs.
hieroglyph	A character in the Ancient Egyptian writing system.
sarcophagus	A stone, box-shaped case used to hold a dead body.
mummification	The process to mummify or preserve the dead.
papyrus	A thick paper made from the reeds of the papyrus.
scarab beetle	A sacred insect linked with religion and mythology.
Pharaoh	A king or queen in Ancient Egypt.
sphinx	A mythical creature with a lion's body and a Pharaoh's head.

Key people, facts and sticky knowledge
Tutankhamun was known as the boy king because he was so young when he came to the throne. His tomb was discovered in 1922 by the archaeologist Howard Carter .
The ancient Egyptian civilisation existed over 3000 years around and was centred around the River Nile . This river was used for trade and transport and was an important water source.
The Ancient Egyptians achieved great things: building the Pyramids of Giza , their farming techniques, the creation of paper and their own writing system called hieroglyphs .
The Rosetta stone is an ancient Egyptian stone bearing inscriptions in several languages and scripts.
<i>By the end of this period of learning, pupils should be able to describe civilisation in Ancient Egypt, explain the historical significance of Howard Carter's discoveries, describe how the Nile was used and use vocabulary specific to the Ancient Egyptians.</i>



Ancient Egyptian artefacts:



Historical Timeline

Ancient Egypt (3100BC – 332BC) Bronze Age (2500BC – 800BC) Ancient Egypt (3100BC – 332BC) Stone Age (8700BC – 2000BC)	Bronze Age (2500BC – 800BC) Mayans (800BC) Ancient Greece (2900BC – 336BC) Ancient Egypt (3100BC – 332BC)	Roman Britain (27BC – 476AD) Celts (275BC – 43AD) Iron Age (800BC – 332BC) Mayans (800BC – 250AD) Ancient Egypt (3100BC – 332BC)	Vikings (700 -1100AD) Anglo Saxons (410 – 793AD) Roman Britain (27BC – 476AD)	Moon landing 1969 WW2 (1939 – 1945) WW1 (1914 – 1918) The Victorians (1837 – 1903) Industrial Revolution Tudors (1485 – 1603) Great Fire of London 1666
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