

Egypt

Knowledge Organiser



Northern Hemisphere

the part of the planet north of the Equator. 90% of land mass is in the Northern Hemisphere.

Equator

an imaginary line around the middle of a Earth. It is halfway between the North Pole and the South Pole, at 0 degrees latitude.

Southern Hemisphere

half of Earth that is south of the Equator. It contains all or parts of five continents.

The Tropics

The Tropic of Cancer is an imaginary latitude line above the equator that runs across the globe at about 23 degrees north, while the Tropic of Capricorn is an imaginary latitude line below the equator whose latitude line circles the globe at about 23 degrees south.

Prime Meridian

The prime meridian is the imaginary line that divides Earth into two equal parts: the Eastern Hemisphere and the Western Hemisphere. The prime meridian is also used as the basis for the world's time zones.

Longitude & Latitude

a system of lines used to describe the location of any place on Earth. Lines of latitude run in an east-west direction across Earth. Lines of longitude run in a north-south direction. Although these are only imaginary lines, they appear on maps and globes as if they actually existed.



2640 BC

The first pyramid is built.

2555 BC

Giza Pyramids are build for the kings .

2520 BC

The Great Sphinx is built.

2000 BC

First ploughs are attached the oxen for farming .

1539 BC

Valley of the Kings is started and expanded up to 1069 BC.

1332 BC

The 10 year rule of Tutankhamun begins.

51 BC

Reign of Cleopatra VII, the last pharaoh of Egypt, begins. She reins for 21 years.

Key Vocabulary

BC	Used to show that a date is before the year 0. This is counted backwards, so 200 BC is before 100 BC.
AD	Used to show that a date is after the year 0. This is counted forwards, so AD 100 is before AD 200.
irrigation	A system of canals or channels Egyptians dug to supply water to grow crops over a larger area than the water would reach naturally.
silt	Fine particles of soil, clay or sand carried and left by water.
hieroglyphics	A system of writing that used pictures and symbols (hieroglyphs) instead of letters.'
cartouche	An oval shape in which the names of kings and queens were often written in hieroglyphics to show that they were special.
pharaoh	A ruler of ancient Egypt.
civilisation	An organised society with its own culture and way of life, existing in a particular area over a particular period of time

Beliefs

Religion played a big part in the lives of the Ancient Egyptians. They believed in a wide variety of gods and goddesses. These gods could take different forms, usually as animals. The same animal may represent a different god depending on the area, temple, or timeframe. The most important gods include: Ra (sun), Isis (protection), Osiris (dead and underworld) and Horus (sky).



The importance of the Nile

Egypt a dry, hot desert country and ancient life depended on the waters of the River Nile .

The Nile was used for:

- Water to irrigate the fields
- The main means of travelling and of transporting goods, all by boat
- An important source of protein food when people caught fish
- The main building material was mud brick

The Pyramids



The ancient Egyptians are famous for the building of the Pyramids. The pyramids were built as the burial places of the Egyptian kings from before the start of the Old Kingdom until the end of the Middle Kingdom. Because the Egyptians kept religious and government records, we are able to read about the building of some of these pyramids.

Hieroglyphics

The ancient Egyptians thought it was important to write down information about religion and important events. Hieroglyphics, or 'sacred writing' is how they did this. Hieroglyphics uses pictures as symbols. They were carved or painted on stone monuments, tombs where the dead were buried, and temples where the gods were worshipped.



Stone Age

15000 BC to 3,000BC

Ancient Egypt

3100 BC to 30BC

Ancient Greece

776BC to 146BC

Romans

AD 43 to AD 410

Anglo Saxons

AD 410 to AD 1066

Vikings

AD 793 to AD 1066

Victorians

AD 1837 to AD 1901

World Wars

AD 1914 to 1918
1939 to 1945