



# Ancient Egypt

## KS2 - Knowledge organiser

Key people	
Narmer	Said to be the first Pharaoh of all Egypt, around 3150 BCE. Also known as Warrior Menes.
Khufu	Pharaoh responsible for the building of the Great Pyramid at Giza.
Hatsheput	First and longest-reigning female Pharaoh.
Tutankhamun	Youngest Pharaoh, famed for his burial tomb in the Valley of the Kings.
Ramses II	Often known as Ramses the Great, his mummy still rests in Cairo's Egyptian Museum. Built more statues and temples than any other!
Cleopatra VII	Often considered the last Pharaoh of Egypt. Kept power by making alliances with famous Romans such as Mark Antony & Julius Caesar.

Key Vocabulary	
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 on 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.

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<p><b>2650 BC</b> The first pyramid, a step pyramid, is built</p>	<p><b>1670 BC</b> The Hyksos people invade and introduce the chariot</p>	<p><b>1539-1070 BC</b> This was the time of the 'New Kingdom'</p>	<p><b>332 BC</b> Alexander the Great conquered Egypt and founded Alexandria</p>
<p><b>3100 BC</b> King Narmer unites Egypt and records it on the Narmer Palette (above)</p>	<p><b>2250 BC</b> Egyptians introduce Gods for all areas of their lives</p>	<p><b>1648 BC</b> Nilometers were invented to track the height of the Nile</p>	<p><b>1070 BC</b> Egyptians joined Ra and Amun to make Amun-Ra; King of the Gods</p>
<p><b>330 BC</b> Queen Cleopatra kills herself. Romans conquer Egypt</p>			

**Some Gods of Ancient Egypt**

Anubis	Thoth	Bastet	Horus	Hathor
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