

Raiders of the Lost Cities

Knowledge Organiser

Key Vocabulary

- Canopic Jars** – special jars that contain the organs of a mummy.
- Cartouche** – a carved item which has an encryption in it.
- Excavate** – removing earth carefully from an area to find buried items.
- Egyptologist** – an archaeologist who specialises in Ancient Egypt.
- Hieroglyphics** – a type of writing used by the Ancient Egyptians that used a combination of pictures and symbols.
- Mummification** – A ritual that took place to bury the dead. The organs were removed, the body was cleaned and then dried.
- Papyrus** – a material prepared from the stem of a plant which was used to write on and also for making things like rope.
- Pharaoh** – the supreme ruler of all of Ancient Egypt.
- River Nile** – A major river flowing through northern Africa.
- Rosetta Stone** – a special stone that was useful to translate hieroglyphics.
- Sarcophagus** – a large stone box that held a mummy's coffin.
- Shaduf** – a hand operated device for lifting water.
- Tomb** – a large underground chamber typically used for burying the dead.

Things to do at home to support your learning...

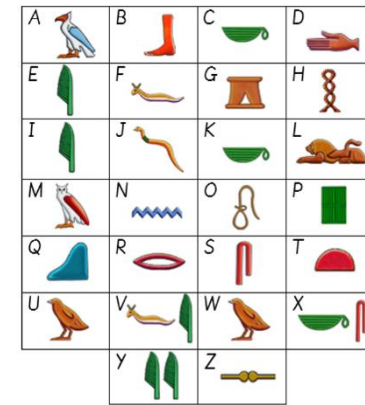
- Use the British Museum website to find out about Ancient Egypt – you might even like to plan a visit!
- Design and make your own Egyptian jewellery which could have been buried in the pyramid.
- Explore different websites on the Egyptians to extend your learning.
- Make sure you complete your topic homework when it's set.

Key Concept: Similarities

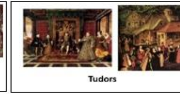
Key Question: What are the similarities between Ancient Egyptians and modern day Britain?



Maps showing Egypt's location



Egyptian Hieroglyphics



Timeline showing when Ancient Egypt was in history

The Rosetta Stone

The Rosetta Stone was created in 196BC but was discovered in 1799AD. It contains hieroglyphics – the Ancient Egyptian form of writing. It can be seen at the British Museum.



Mummification

The process of mummification was used during Ancient Egyptian times to preserve the body of a human or animal after death. Canopic jars were used to store the organs: liver, intestines, lungs and stomach!



The Pyramids

The pyramids are the stone tombs of Egypt's kings. They can be found on the western side of the Nile which made it easier to transport the bricks.



Howard Carter

Howard Carter discovered Tutankhamun's tomb in 1922.



Tutankhamun

Tutankhamun was an Egyptian pharaoh.

