



Ancient Egypt History Knowledge Organiser

Key Vocabulary

pharaohs	The word pharaoh originally meant 'great house', but came to mean the person who resided in it.
mummy	Remains of a body found inside the carved and brilliantly painted burial case known as a sarcophagus.
tombs	Ancient Egypt is known for its magnificent and beautiful tombs. The most well known are within the pyramids in the Valley of the Kings.
pyramid	A geometrical term that refers to part of the burial complexes for Egyptian pharaohs.
hieroglyphs	The term hieroglyph refers to the fact that it is carving for sacred things, but hieroglyphs were also written on papyrus.
Cleopatra VII	She was the queen of Egypt from 51 to 31 BCE and the last active Hellenistic Pharaoh to rule Egypt.
papyrus	An Egyptian plant whose reeds are slit and placed in layers in order to form paper.
mummification	The process of preserving a dead body, usually a human, through natural or artificial means to prevent decay.



Key Knowledge



- Cleopatra was the last pharaoh of Egypt before the Romans took over.
- That Ancient Egypt is famous for its Pyramids and to know about the Great Pyramid of Giza.
- The Ancient Egyptians worshipped many gods who ruled over different aspects of their lives.
- How religion and culture have changed over time.
- The Egyptians were one of the first civilizations to invent writing (hieroglyphs).
- The afterlife was when they made a journey to another world and begin another life.