

# Ancient Egypt Practice Test

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Geography

What was the 'inundation'?

\_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

What was the land on either side of the Nile called? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Why weren't Ancient Egypt's largest cities and biggest buildings built on the Nile delta?  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Give two reasons that explain why the Nile was so important in Ancient Egypt.  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( /2)

## Crafts and Trade

Explain the barter system. What was it and how did it work?

\_\_\_\_\_ ( /2)

Where were goods (food/crafts) sold? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Name four different types of Egyptian craftsmen.  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( /4)

## Women in Ancient Egypt

List 4 jobs done by poorer Egyptian women.

\_\_\_\_\_ ( /4)

True or False: Egyptian women could divorce their husbands. \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

## Hieroglyphics

What does the Greek word 'hieroglyphics' mean?

\_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

What was so important about the Rosetta Stone?  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Approximately how many symbols are in the hieroglyphic 'alphabet'? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

## Pharaohs

Ancient Egypt had a hierarchical social structure. List the six different roles with '1' being the highest. [Hint: 1 = Pharaoh].

\_\_\_\_\_ ( /6)

How did a pharaoh come into power?  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

The ancient Egyptian people believed that their pharaoh contained 'Heavenly powers'. Describe 1 of these powers.  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Describe 3 of the pharaoh's earthly responsibilities.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( /3)

## Mummification

What is a mummy? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Why did the ancient Egyptian's believe it was important to mummify their dead? [Hint: it's to do with their souls] \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

What are canopic jars? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

What was an 'ibu'?' \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

What substance were the liver, lungs stomach and intestines packed in to dry them out? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

What organ was left in the body and why? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /2)

How was the brain removed? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

During the wrapping process, why were amulets placed on the body? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Why did a priest read spells out loud while the mummy was being wrapped? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

What liquid substance were the bandages painted with to help them glue together? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

A picture of a god was painted on the surface of a wrapped mummy. Which god was it? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Explain why the chief priest conducted a ceremony to open the mummy's mouth. \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

### **Gods and the Afterlife**

Ancient Egyptian's believed that the afterlife was a fantastic place but getting there was a tough journey. A dead person's heart was believed to be weighed on scales against a feather. Why was this done?

\_\_\_\_\_ ( /2)

Why would a monster god chew the heart? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

How many judges decided if a person could progress to the afterlife? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Why were mummies buried with lots of possessions? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Where were pharaohs buried? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Where were poorer Egyptians buried? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Complete the following table: ( /4)

Name of God	Responsibility	Associated animal or symbol
Osiris		
Ra		

### **Pyramid**

Why were mummies buried in tombs in the Valley of the Kings? [Hint: What were they being protected from?] \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

What is the name of the largest pyramid? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Why do some people believe that the pyramids were built by aliens? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Why was a dismantled boat buried with the pharaoh Khufu? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

What does the Great Sphinx look like? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

### **King Tutankhamen**

Approximately how old was King Tut when he became pharaoh? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Why was the previous pharaoh, Akhenaten, so unpopular with the Egyptian people? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /2)

Who discovered King Tut's tomb? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

What year was it discovered? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Who funded the dig? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /1)

Why is the discovery considered to be one of the greatest archaeological finds? \_\_\_\_\_ ( /2)

### **Multiple Choice**

Circle the answer that is the most correct:

A delta is the

- a) Black kohl placed on the eyes of ancient Egyptians
- b) Low triangular-shaped area of land at the mouth of a river
- c) Alternative name for a pyramid
- d) Flax that grew in the riverside fields

Papyrus is

- a) The word used to describe the roads
- b) A symbol in hieroglyphics
- c) An ancient pharaoh
- d) A paper-like product made from crushed reeds

Dynasty is

- a) An ancient Egyptian writing system
- b) A hereditary line of rulers
- c) The land close to the Nile river
- d) The lowest paying job in Egypt

Deities are

- a) Gods and goddesses
- b) Farmers and labourers
- c) Crafts and tradesmen
- d) Fishermen and sailors

Horus was the

- a) God of creation; god of the sun
- b) God of embalming; god of tombs and burials
- c) God of the dead; god of the afterlife

d) God of the sky; guardian of the pharaoh

Hathor was the

- a) Goddess of beauty and love; goddess of the sky
- b) God of creation; god of the sun
- c) God of the scribes; god of wisdom and knowledge
- d) God of confusion and chaos

The associated symbol for the God Seth was

- a) The sun
- b) Man having the head of a jackal
- c) Falcon
- d) Hippopotamus

The Valley of the Kings was

- a) A section of the Nile
- b) The name of a pyramid
- c) The area where mummified pharaohs were buried
- d) The name of Howard Carter's team

King Tutankhamen was killed by

- a) A spear
- b) A chariot accident
- c) Assassination
- d) It is still undetermined

A sarcophagus is

- a) A stone wooden coffin
- b) A body that has been embalmed
- c) A type of chariot
- d) The entrance to a pyramid

A crook is

- a) Headgear worn by pharaohs
- b) A type of weapon
- c) A type of footwear
- d) Symbol of a carer or king

A scribe was important because

- a) They were the only people who could read and write
- b) They were the only people who were ever allowed to look a pharaoh in the eye
- c) They were the only people who were automatically allowed into the afterlife
- d) They were the only people who were granted access to previous pharaoh's tombs

Cleopatra was regarded as

- a) A weak and unpopular pharaoh
- b) A strong and intelligent pharaoh
- c) An unintelligent and unpopular pharaoh
- d) A crazy and aggressive pharaoh

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