

ANCIENT EGYPT - KEY

1. Name a few things that the Ancient Egyptians invented or did for the first time? **the first type of paper, picture symbols (hieroglyphs), stone structures**
2. What was the capital of the Old Kingdom? **Memphis**
3. Which great structures were built during that time? **step pyramid, pyramids of Giza, Great Sphinx**
4. When did pharaohs start constructing large temples? **during the Middle Kingdom**
5. When did Ancient Egypt reach the heights of its power? **during the New Kingdom**
6. Where were pharaohs buried in the New Kingdom? **in tombs in the Valley of the Kings**
7. Who was Tutankhamun and what was so special about him? **the boy king only ruled for about 9 years; his tomb was discovered with all the riches that were put into it**
8. What happened after the reign of Queen Cleopatra? **Egypt became a Roman province**
9. What did farmers in Ancient Egypt depend on to grow crops? **the annual floods of the Nile River which made the soil fertile**
10. What kind of crops did they grow? **wheat, barley, dates, grapes, fruits, vegetables**
11. What did the ancient Egyptians wear? **white clothes, robes, tunics, skirts; women wore jewelry, rich people wore sandals**
12. Describe the houses they lived in? **made of dried mud and flat roofs; poor people lived in simple huts; rich people lived in houses with up to 3 stories; houses had small windows to keep the sun out**
13. Who were Isis and Osiris? **the most famous goddess and her husband**
14. Where did the gods and goddesses live? **in great temples**
15. What did Ancient Egyptians put into the tombs of dead people? Why? **clothing, food and other everyday things; the dead person might need them in their afterlife**
16. What were the main building materials in Ancient Egypt? **limestone and sandstone**
17. What was papyrus used for? **to make paper**
18. What kind of boats did Egyptians use to travel? **made of papyrus; people used sticks to make them move**
19. Where did they get spices and ivory from? **Nubia**
20. What is a sphinx? **stone structure with the head of a person and the body of a lion**