

Vocabulary

linen	A cloth made from a plant called flax, used for making clothes or sheets.
tomb	A large grave which is above ground with a sculpture or decoration on it.
monument	Large structure usually made of stone, which is built to remind people of an event in history.
chisel	A tool which has a long metal blade with a sharp edge at the end. Used for cutting wood or stone.
hieroglyphics	A picture used as a form of writing instead of letters.
official	An important person who holds a position of authority in an organisation.
mummification	The process in which the flesh and skin of a corpse (dead body) can be preserved.
pharaoh	An ancient Egyptian ruler (king or queen).
merchants	A person who buys or sells goods in large quantities.
pyramid	A building with triangular sides built as an Egyptian tomb (a place to bury the dead).
burial chamber	A room that is often below ground level that is used to bury the remains of the dead.
descendants	A person who is related to you and who lives after you, such as your child or grandchild.

Ancient Egypt Year 4 Autumn 1

Map of Egypt



Cairo is the capital of Egypt.

The River Nile is the longest river in the world.

People settled near the Nile as it was a useful source of water (used for drinking, washing, watering crops).

Egyptian Gods

Ra - The Sun God

Isis - The Mother of Gods

Osiris - The ruler of the underworld

Horus - The God of the Sky

Timeline of events

Year	Event
3100BC - 30BC	Ancient Egyptian Era
2.640 BC	First pyramid is believed to be built.
2.520 BC	The Great Sphinx (body of a lion and head of a human) is believed to be built.
1,332 BC	The 10-year rule of Tutankhamun begins.
51BC	Queen Cleopatra's reign begins. She is the last pharaoh of the ancient Egypt period.
Nov 1922	Howard Carter discovers the tomb of Tutankhamun in the Valley of the Kings.

Pyramid Construction

- 1 Approximately 4000 Egyptian workers built the pyramids.
- 2 Workers cut huge blocks of stone out of the ground.
- 3 Stones were loaded onto boats, which took them to the pyramids along the River Nile.
- 4 Using a chisel and hammer, workers made the rocks smooth so they would fit together tightly.
- 5 Workers moved the heavy blocks using wooden sledges on ramps up the side of pyramids.
- 6 Pharaohs were usually buried under the pyramid structure although some had burial chambers built inside the pyramid.