

October Half Term Homework 2020 —Year 3

Ancient Egyptian Death Mask



In ancient Egypt, burial rites for the dead were a sacred duty, and needed to be performed to help put the soul to rest. Egyptians would make death masks in the likeness of the person who had died, to help their souls recognise their own body and return to it. This meant they would be ready to be led by the Egyptian god Anubis to be judged if they would be allowed to pass on to the realm of the dead!



Early masks were made from wood, in two pieces and connected with pegs. After that Egyptians used, so called, cartonnage, a material made from papyrus or linen and soaked in plaster and then molded on a wooden mold. That was, of course, a cheap variant intended for lower class. Royal death masks were made from precious metals, first of all - gold or gold leaves on bronze.

One of the most famous death masks is the mask of the Tutankhamen (see right). It is made from two layers of gold, and the eyes and collar are made from coloured gemstones and glass, such as lapis lazuli, quartz and obsidian.



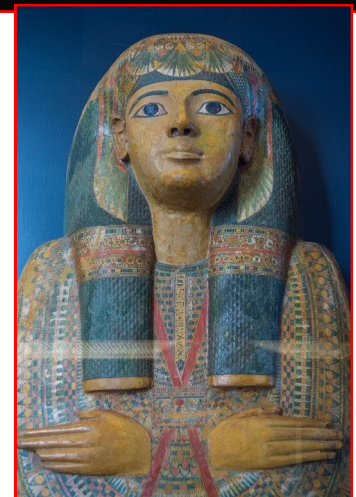
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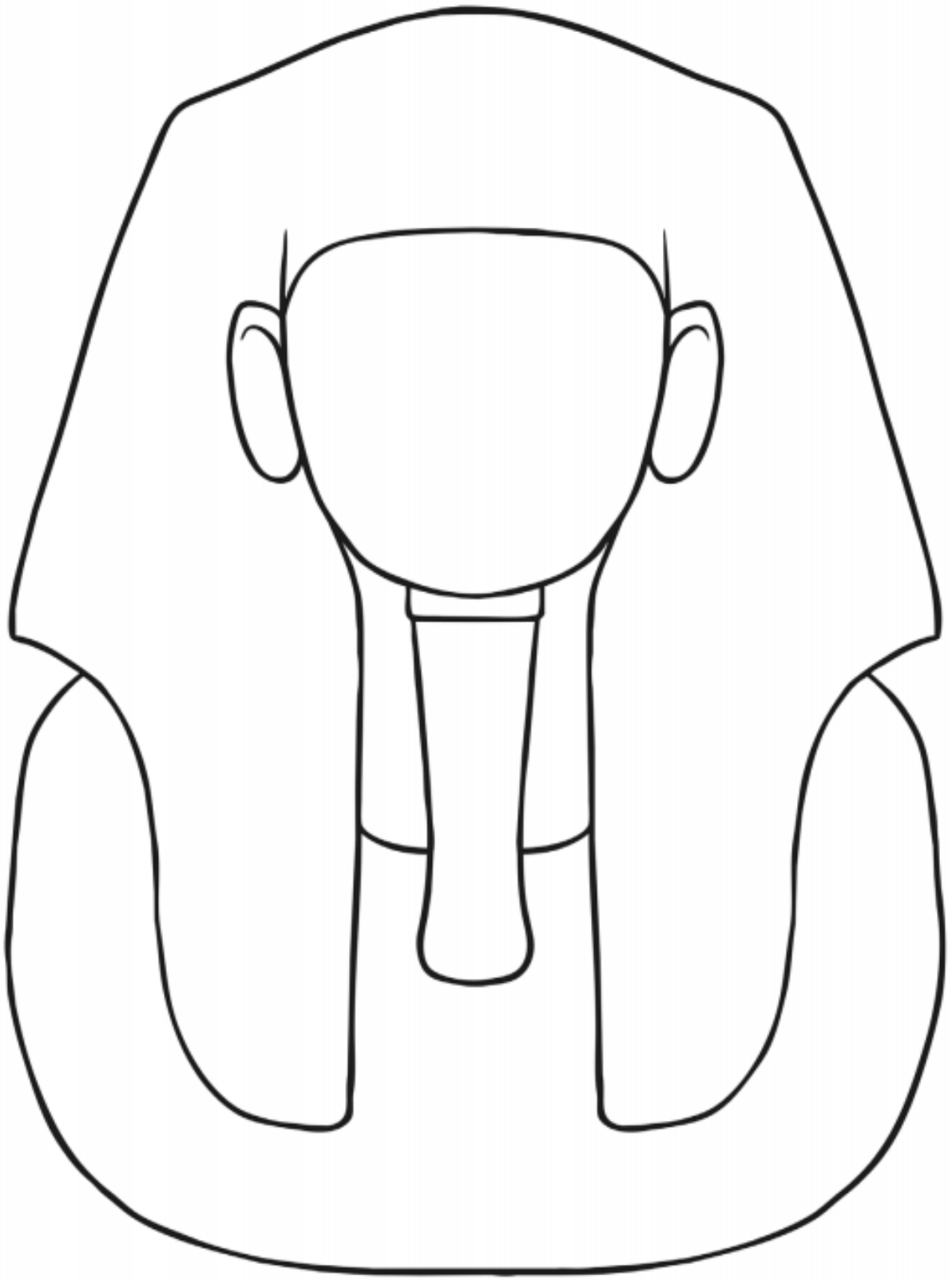
Use the sheet and attached mask to design and create an Ancient Egyptian Death Mask.

You can find some instructions here:

<https://www.yac-uk.org/activity/make-an-ancient-egyptian-death-mask>

Be sure to share your progress with us on Class Dojo, and return your mask to school after half term!





I will need: