

Ancient Egypt - Pharos and Pyramids

Vocabulary	Definition
Pharaoh	The supreme ruler in Ancient Egypt. They were considered to be a god
Vizier	The second in command in Egyptian government, after the pharaoh
Dynasty	A period of rule when a series of kings or pharaohs all came from the same family.
Pyramid	A giant tomb built for the pharaohs of Egypt. It was made from stone and had four sides that came to a point at the top in a pyramid shape.
Mummy	A dead body that has been specially preserved using embalming so that it won't rot.
Sarcophagus	A large stone box that held a mummy's coffin.
Tomb	A building or room used for burial
Artefact	An object made by a human that can be studied to learn about the past
Archaeologist	A person who studies the lives and cultures of ancient peoples
Egyptologist	An archaeologist who specializes in Ancient Egypt.



Key dates, people and places	
3100 BC	The first Egyptian dynasty was established
656 BC	The last Egyptian dynasty was disestablished
Ramses the Great	Widely regarded as the most powerful Egyptian pharaoh
Tutankhamun	A young pharaoh who became famous because his tomb was untouched when it was discovered.
Cleopatra	The most famous female Egyptian ruler
Valley of the Kings	A desert land where many of the Egyptian pharaohs were buried
Giza pyramids	Located on the outskirts of Cairo. They were built between 2550 and 2490 BC.

What you will learn:

- What is a dynasty and how they developed over time
- What a pharaoh was and how they ruled ancient Egypt
- Who some of the most famous pharaohs were and what they achieved
- What a pyramid was and what it was used for
- What the process of burial and mummification was like in ancient Egypt
- How historians have learnt about pharaohs and pyramids
- How the ruling of ancient Egypt compares to modern day Egypt
- How the process of burial has changed or stayed the same over time

Ancient Egypt - 10 things you must know

1. How do we know about what the ancient Egyptians were like?
2. What is an Egyptologist?
3. What was the role of a pharaoh?
4. How did dynasties play a role in the ruling of Egypt?
5. Which pharaohs are remembered today and why?
6. How has ruling changed in the modern era?
7. What was a pyramid used for?
8. What was the process of mummification and burial in ancient Egypt?
9. What did the ancient Egyptians believe happened after death?
10. Has this process and thinking changed in the modern day?