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Welcome to ...

Ancient Egypt

"The gift of the Nile River"



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Introduction to Ancient Egypt

As you explore the British Museum's website about ancient Egypt answer these four questions. You will post some of your answers for the class to read at the end of class.

<p>What are some elements of ancient Egypt that you are looking forward to studying?</p>	<p>What was something that surprised you about ancient Egypt?</p>
<p>How is Egypt different than the United States? How is it similar?</p>	<p>What do you think is going to be important as we study Egypt?</p>

Geography of Egypt

Location	Landscape
Climate	Resources

The Nile River

How was the Nile River used?

- _____
- _____
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Egypt has often been called the "Gift of the Nile." What does this mean?

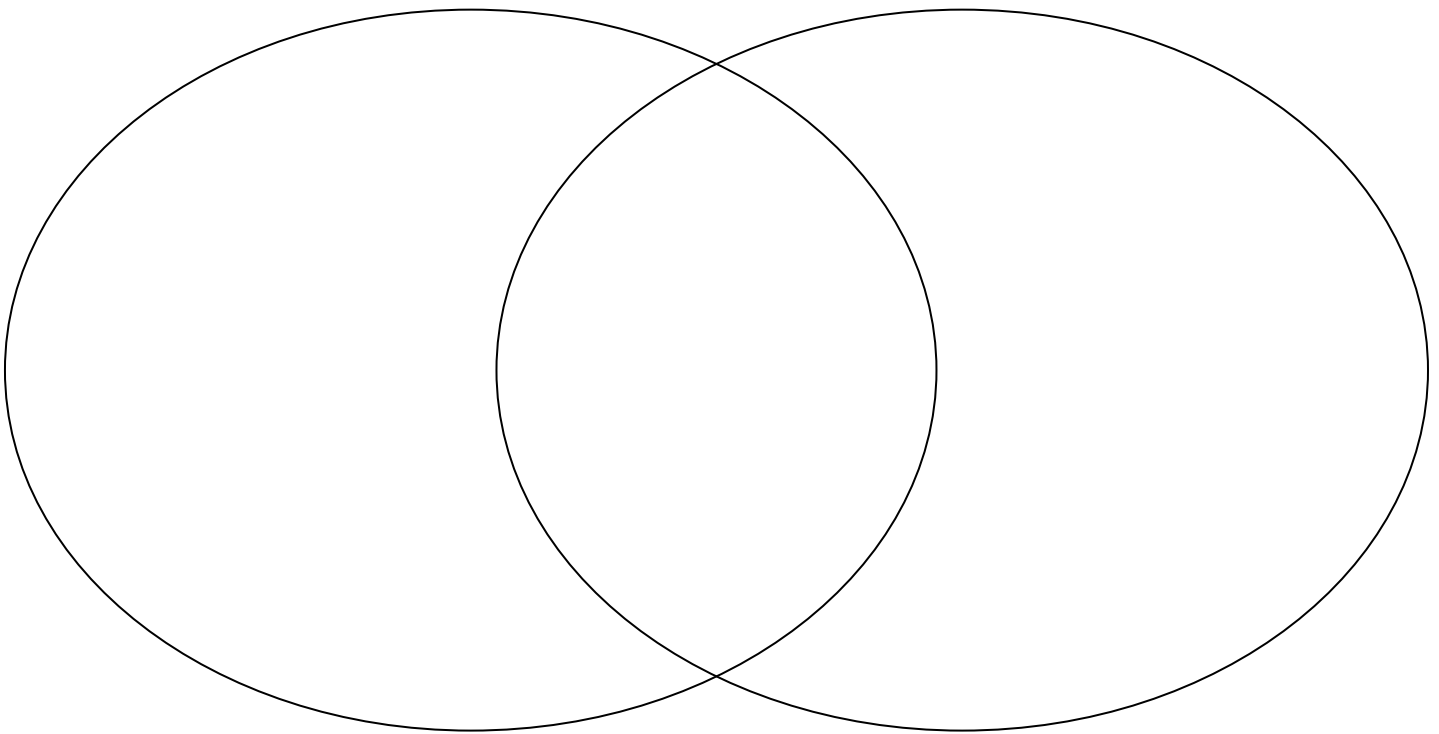


What would life have been like in Egypt if they did not have the Nile?

How often did the Nile flood? Why was this important?

You are an ancient farmer, decide whether Upper Egypt or Lower Egypt is a better place for farming. Use details of Egyptian geography to justify your answer.

Compare and contrast the geography of Egypt to the geography of Kansas:



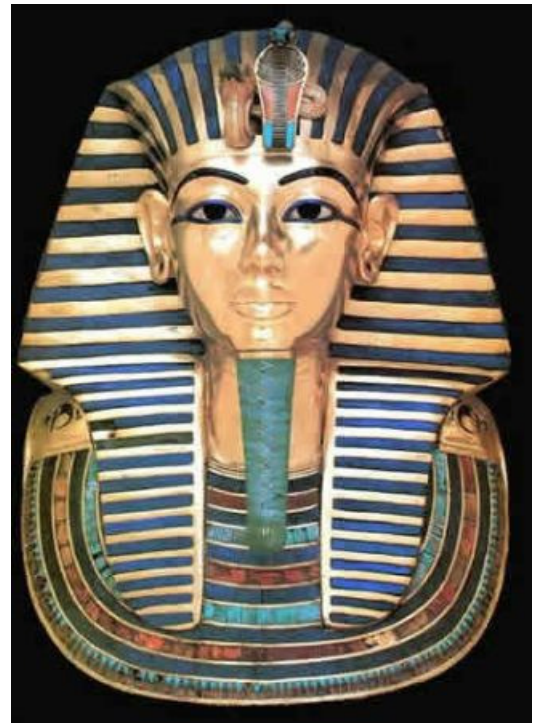
Egyptian Pharaohs

Monarchy

Pharaoh

Reflection Questions:

If you were the most powerful person in the world what would you do?



What do you think would be the biggest challenge?

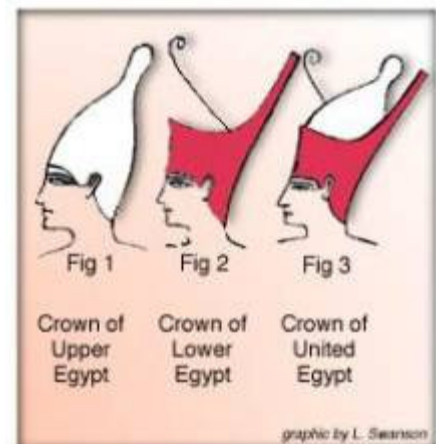
If you could be transported back in time to be a pharaoh for your entire life would you do it? Why or why not?

Pharaoh Menes

Why is Menes important to Egypt's history?

How did he unite the people of Egypt?

Explain the Red and White crown.



Who Killed King Tut?

What do you know about the life of King Tut?

You are allowed to list bullet points or write a paragraph about his life.

The Suspects:

- Aye – Advisor to King Tut
- Horemheb - Military leader of Egypt
- Ankhesanamun – King Tut's Wife

- How did King Tut die?

- If he was murdered why did they kill him?

Or ...

- Was it an accident?
- Did he die of natural causes?

- If he wasn't murdered how did it happen?

What do you think happened to King Tut? How did you come to that decision?

Be sure to be as detailed as possible with this answer!

Pyramids

1. Why did the Egyptians build pyramids?

2. How did the building of the pyramids unite the Egyptians?

3. If you could design a monument for when you died what would it look like?



Mummification

1. What did the Egyptians believe would happen when they die?
2. What do you think about the Egyptians' ideas about the afterlife? Would you want to be mummified?
3. Describe the what you know about the process of mummification.



Hieroglyphics

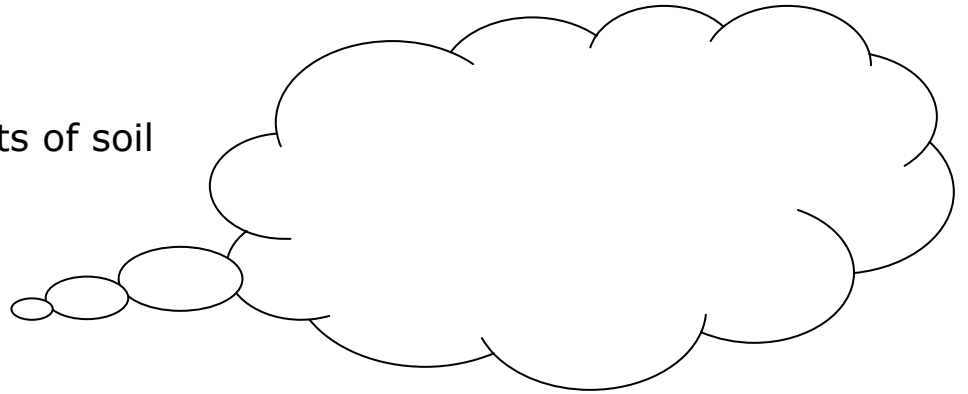


Ancient Egypt Vocabulary

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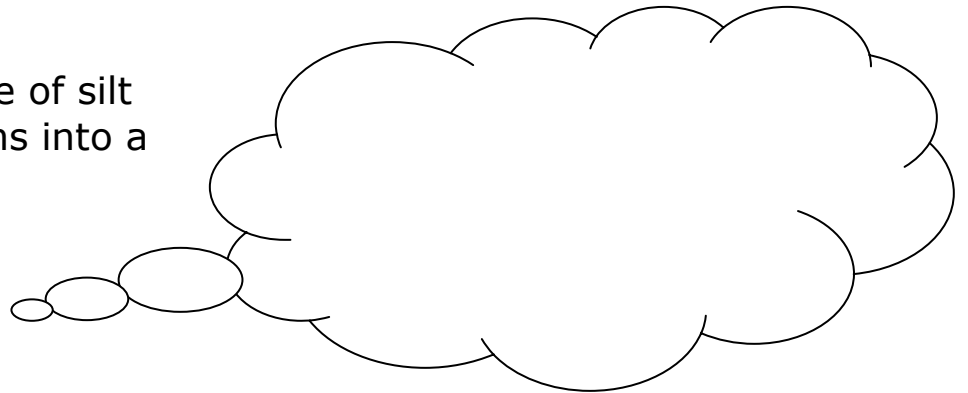
Silt

A fertile mixture of tiny bits of soil and rock.



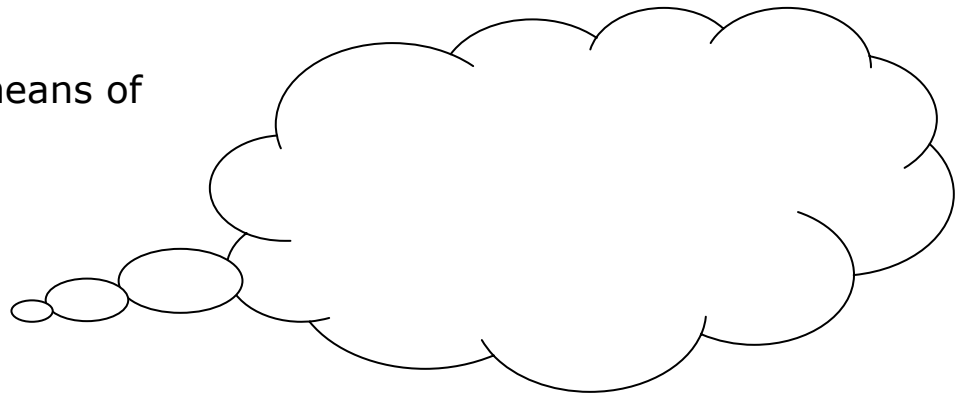
Delta

Very fertile, flat land made of silt left behind as a river drains into a larger body of water.



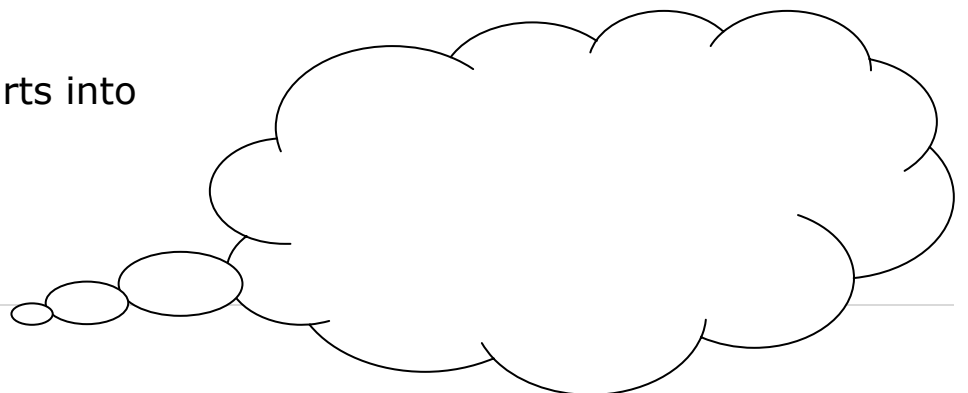
Irrigation

The watering of land by means of canals or pipes.



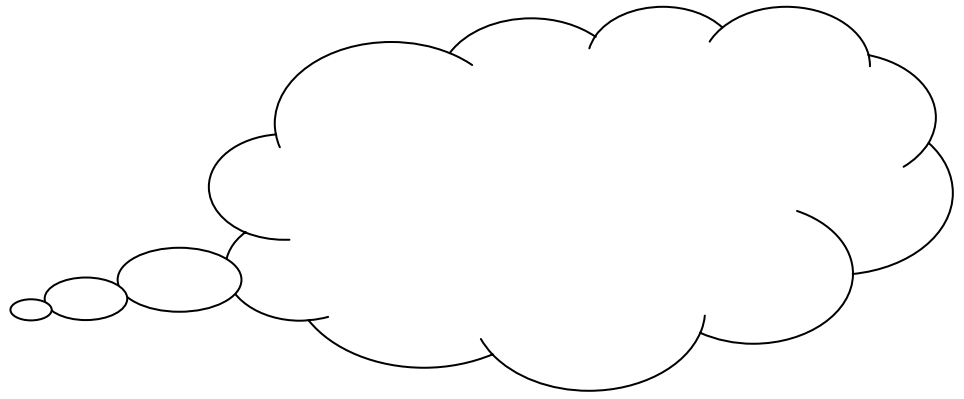
Unification

The joining of separate parts into one.



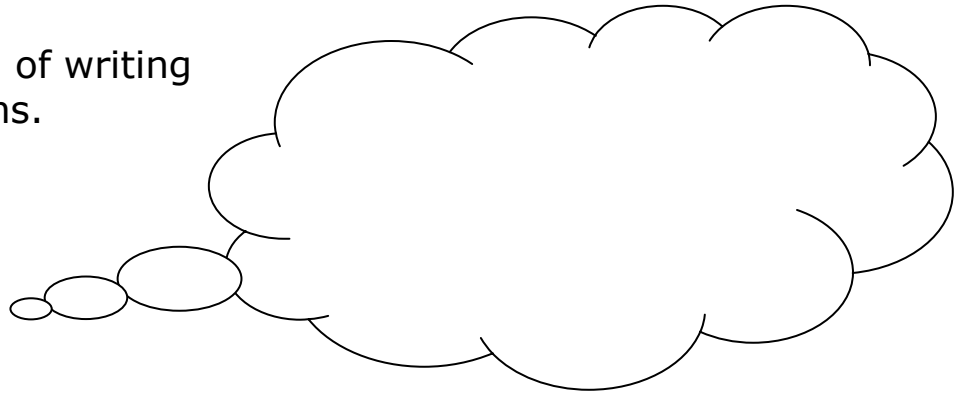
Pharaoh

The rulers of Egypt.



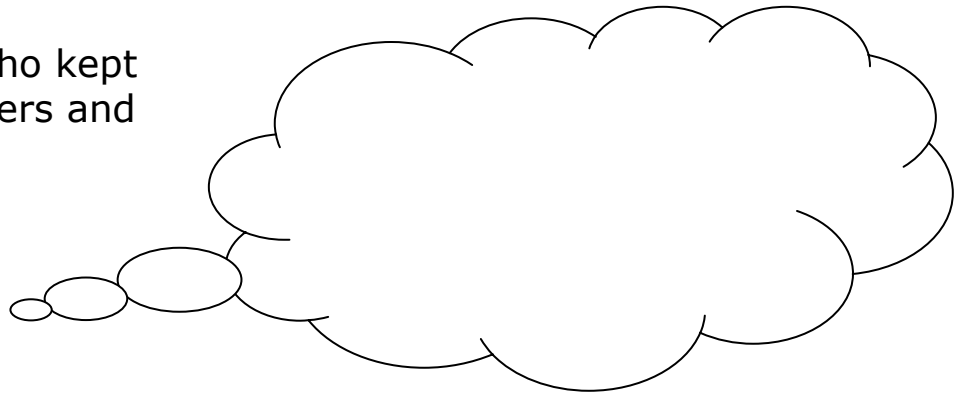
Hieroglyphics

Ancient Egypt's system of writing made up of picture signs.



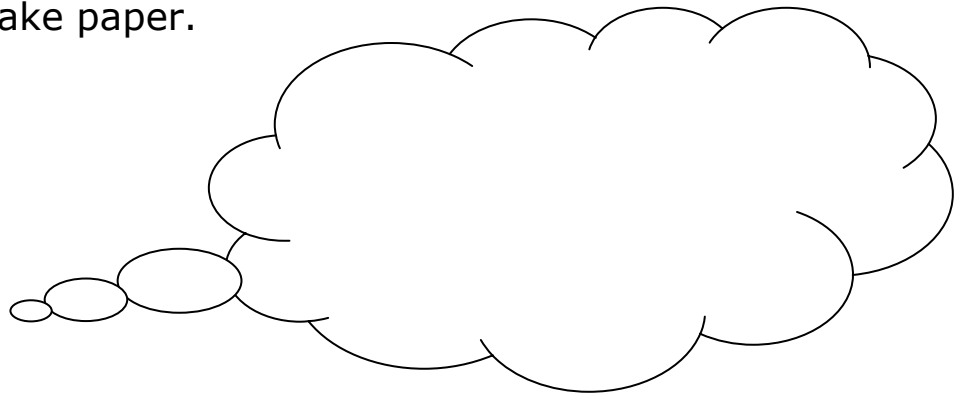
Scribes

A professional writer who kept records and copied letters and official documents.



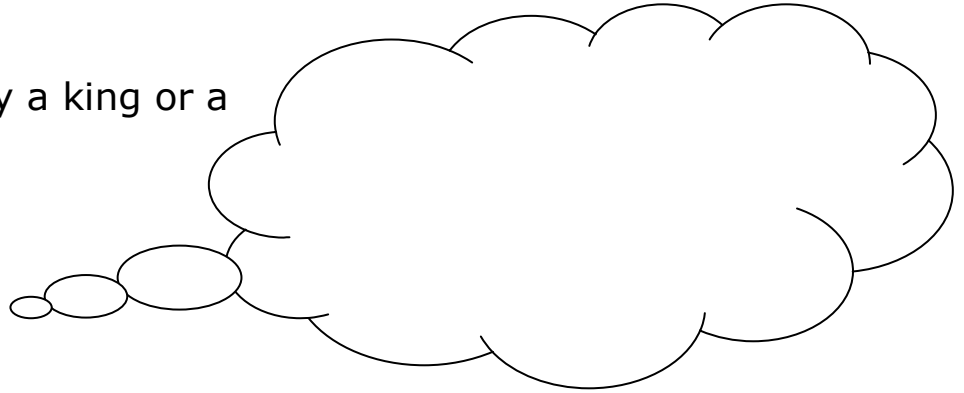
Papyrus

A reed plant used to make paper.



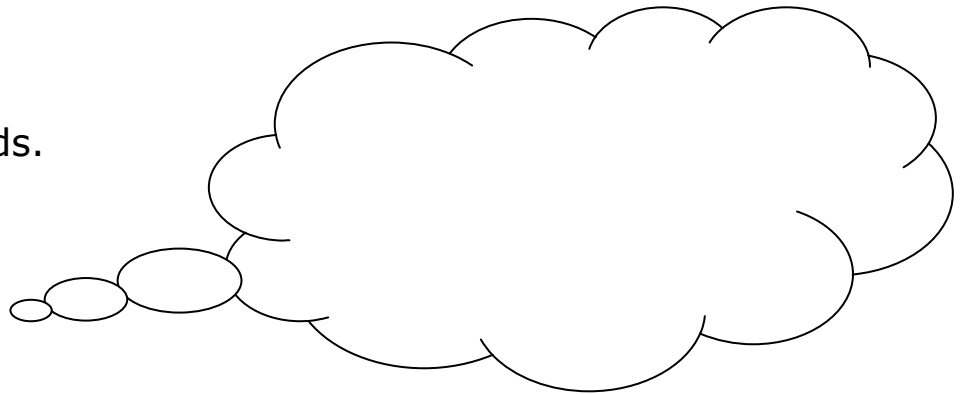
Monarchy

A government ruled by a king or a queen.



Polytheism

The belief in many gods.



Inundation

Yearly flooding of the Nile River

