

	Term	Definition
1	Afterlife	The place where Egyptians believed they would go after they died.
2	Akhet	The season of the year when the Nile river flooded. A very important time of year in the desert!
3	Canopic jars	Special jars that held the organs of a mummy including the lungs, intestines, liver and stomach (Right).
4	Dynasty	A period of rule when a series of Pharaohs all came from the same family.
5	Egyptologist	An archaeologist who focusses Ancient Egypt. Howard Carter discovered Tutankhamun's tomb.
6	Hieroglyphics	A type of writing that used a combination of pictures and symbols (Right).
7	Mummification	The process of preserving a body after death in preparation for the afterlife.
8	Papyrus	A plant that grew on the banks of the Nile. It was used as an early version of paper.
9	Pharaoh	The supreme ruler of all of Ancient Egypt.
10	Sarcophagus	A large stone box that held a mummy's coffin. Often richly decorated for Pharaohs.



Area near the River Nile that flooded was known as the **Black Land**. Areas further away were known as the **Red Land**. They relied on the Nile's flood to grow crops and farm.









Famous & important Pharaohs	
1	<b>Narmer</b> Said to be the first Pharaoh of all Egypt, around 3150 BCE. Also known as Warrior Menes.
2	<b>Khufu</b> Pharaoh responsible for the building of the Great Pyramid at Giza.
3	<b>Hatshepsut</b> First and longest-reigning female Pharaoh.
4	<b>Tutankhamun</b> Youngest Pharaoh, famed for his burial tomb in the Valley of the Kings (mask, left).
5	<b>Ramses II</b> Often known as Ramses the Great, his mummy still rests in Cairo's Egyptian Museum. Built more statues and temples than any other!
6	<b>Cleopatra VII</b> Often considered the last Pharaoh of Egypt. Kept power by making alliances with famous Romans such as Mark Antony & Julius Caesar.

**Timeline of Key Events:**  
All dates below are approximate

- Old Kingdom:** 2600 BCE - 2100 BCE
- Middle Kingdom:** 2000 BCE - 1650 BCE
- New Kingdom:** 1540 BCE - 1075 BCE

- 7500 BCE: First settlers in Nile valley
- 3500 BCE: First use of hieroglyphic symbols
- 3100 BCE: Narmer unites regions of Lower and Upper Egypt.
- 2650 BCE: First step pyramid built
- 2550 BCE: Pyramids at Giza built
- 2335 BCE: Pyramid texts written (magical spells to protect pharaohs)
- 1472 BCE: Hatshepsut becomes caretaker ruler. (Later declares herself pharaoh)
- 1336 BCE: Tutankhamen becomes pharaoh
- 1279 BCE: Ramses II becomes pharaoh
- 1100 BCE: Upper & Lower Egypt split
- 332 BCE: Alexander the Great conquers Egypt
- 196 BCE: Rosetta stone carved
- 1279 BCE: Ramses II becomes pharaoh
- 30 BCE: Egypt becomes a Roman Province
- 1922 CE: Carter discovers Tutankhamen's tomb

				
<b>Amun</b> King of the Gods	<b>Ra</b> God of the Sun	<b>Anubis</b> God of Mummification	<b>Horus</b> God of the Sky	<b>Thoth</b> God of Knowledge
	<b>Isis</b> Mother Goddess, Goddess of Protection and Healing	<b>Key Gods (but there were MANY more)</b>	<b>Osiris</b> God of Death and the Afterlife	