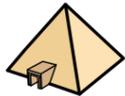


Year 4 - History Key Knowledge Fact Sheet - Ancient Egyptians

Key Vocabulary

Mummification	A dead body that has been preserved/the process of making a mummy.
Pharaoh	The supreme ruler of all of Ancient Egypt, considered a god, such as Tutankhamun.
Pyramids	Structure providing tombs for pharaohs Pyramids - square or triangular base. The pyramids are the stone tombs of Egypt's kings.
Tomb	A large vault, typically an underground one, for burying the dead.



pyramid



mummification



pharaoh



Tutankhamun



tomb

Beliefs

The Ancient Egyptians believed in many gods, just like the Romans. A ritual they performed was preserving the body ready for burial in the afterlife. They did this through the process of **mummification** of their rulers called **Pharaohs**, such as **Tutankhamun**.

Sources

Historians compare similarities and differences in accounts of events from different sources, such as a diary and pictures, and decide how useful they are because the information was sometimes different.

Primary sources - original first-hand accounts or objects from events in history, such as a **tomb**, jewellery, drawings etc.

Secondary Sources - second-hand accounts such as documentaries, text books or websites.

Egypt

Ancient Egyptians settled (lived and built a community) **by a river (River Nile)** that provided water and fertile soil which meant they could grow crops and have a stable society.



Continuity and change

Ancient Egypt

Worshipped many Gods
Built temples/**tombs (pyramids)**
Mummification of the dead
Lived near the River Nile
Enjoy gold and jewellery
Grew crops
Lead by a **Pharaoh**

Modern Day Egypt

Only worship one God
Don't build pyramids
Don't mummify people
Live near the River Nile
Enjoy gold and jewellery
Grow crops
Lead by a President



Significance

Egyptians were the first people to write in sentences, they invented the 12 months, created long lasting stone buildings, such as **pyramids**, and the first scaffolding.

Historians consider them to be a historically significant civilization.

