

Ancient Egyptians Knowledge Organizer

Key Vocabulary-

ancient civilization- first settled and stable communities

archaeologist- a person who studies things people made, used and left behind

artefact- an object discarded or lost by a previous human culture that is later rediscovered

mummification- a way of preserving the body of a person (or animal) after death

hieroglyphics- ancient Egyptian writing system

dynasties- a sequence of rulers from the same family

deities- god or goddess (e.g. Osiris, Isis, Horus, Seth, Ra, Hathor, Anubis, Thoth, Bastet, Amon, Sekmet, Geb, Sobek)

Pharaoh- a ruler of Ancient Egypt

Vizier- Pharaohs trusted adviser

Scribe- people in ancient Egypt who could read and write

desert- sandy, hot area that gets very little rain

fertile- able to produce many crops

Ahket- Season of Inundation- Flooding season (July-October)

Peret- Season of Emergence- Planting season (November- February)

Shemu- Season of Harvest- Crops harvested (March- June)

shaduf- long stick with bucket attached to one end by rope and weighted at other end. Used to water fields

drought- continuous time of dry weather

kemet- rich black soil left after yearly flooding

afterlife- after death Egyptians believed they made a journey to another world to lead a new life

Key people-

King Mene- united Upper and Lower Egypt- treated like a god, first king

Tutankhamun- also known as "King Tut". Well known mainly due to the discovery of his tomb

Rameses II- ruled for 67 years

Cleopatra VII- last active pharaoh in Egypt, ruled 51-30BC

Alexander the Great- conquered Egypt and created city of Alexandria

