

Year 3 summer 1: Ancient Egyptians



In this unit we will learn about how archaeologists discovered ruins and tombs full of Egyptian artefacts which tell us about their culture, and religious beliefs. We will learn why people chose to settle in certain areas of Egypt and what Egyptian life was like for different groups of people. We will compare what was happening in the Egyptian civilisation with what was

happening in Britain at the same time, comparing aspects of life such as achievements, society, beliefs, and architecture. We will also look at what the similarities and differences are with other ancient civilisations.

Significant People

Howard Carter
(1874 – 1939)



Tutankhamun



Main enquiry questions

How can we discover what Ancient Egypt was like over 5,000 years ago?
 What does the opening of Tutankhamun's tomb tell us about Ancient Egypt?
 How were the pyramids built?
 What can an old clay model and a pair of old sandals tell us about life in Ancient Egypt 5,000 years ago?
 Embalming the dead in Ancient Egypt and afterlife
 What did Ancient Egypt have in common with other civilizations at the time?

Key Concepts

The following are the key concepts for this unit:

civilisation, culture, society, beliefs, trade, religion
 archaeology, afterlife, artefacts, mummification, pharaoh, tomb, papyrus.

English Texts

This term in English we will be studying the following texts:

'Cinderella of the Nile' by Beverley Naidoo
 'The Story of Tutankhamun' by Patricia Cleveland-Peck

Maths learning

This term in Maths we will be studying:

Mass and capacity
 Fractions
 Money

Geographical links	Science	Art	PE	Music	RE	Computing	French	PSHE
Where is Egypt? Continents and Countries Climates	Animals including humans	Working with Shape and Colour	Swimming Rounders	'Bringing Us Together' Disco Music	What kind of world did Jesus want?	Creating Media — Desktop Publishing	Celebrations	Economic Wellbeing

Our Curriculum Elements for this half term.











Trips, activities and or visits this term:

**Visitor and workshop about
Ancient Egypt**

30th April 2024



Learning Hook		30th April 2024: Visitor from Time Travellers and workshop about Ancient Egypt
Fieldwork		Activities in adventure island: tree and flower hunts, bug hunts, pond dipping. We will also do some planting in the allotment and some maintenance within Adventure Island Rounders
Written outcome		Writing an Egyptian myth
Creative Outcome		Create a collage based on Egyptian artwork
Adventure (Activities in Adventure Island)		Creating hieroglyphics
Play Project		Make pyramids
Celebration		We will share our knowledge and experiences with other classes and parents
Retrieval Practice		What was life like in Ancient Egypt and how do we know about this?



Learning & growing together,
taking every opportunity.

RESPECT · ADVENTURE · ACHIEVE

Curriculum Overview: Year 3 Summer 1

Spellings for the half term

Week 1

enjoyment
sadness
madness
careful
cheerful
playful
hopeful
hopeless
badly
sadly
madly
gladly

Week 2

sadly
usually
completely
finally
comically
happily
angrily
gently
simply
humbly
nobly
basically
dramatically

Week 3

grate
great
groan
grown
he'll
heal
heel
here
hear

Week 4

division
invasion
confusion
decision
collision
television
erosion
fusion
passion
pension

enjoyment
sadness
madness

Week 5

dangerous
famous
enormous
humorous
glamorous
courageous
curious
hideous
courteous

Week 6

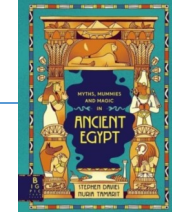
mountainous
obvious
outrageous
poisonous
serious
spontaneous
tremendous
various
vigorous

Suggested texts to read at home with your children:



London, 1922. A discovery from ancient Egypt . . . A cursed package . . . The untold story of a young pharaoh . . .

When Lilian Kaye finds a parcel on her grandad's doorstep, she is shocked to see who sent it: a famous Egyptologist, found dead that very morning, according to every newspaper in England! The mysterious package holds the key to a story . . . about a king whose tomb archaeologists are desperately hunting for. Lil and her friends must embark on an incredible journey – to return the package to its resting place, to protect those they love, and to break the deadly pharaoh's curse . . .



The ancient Egyptian myths are some of the oldest and most famous stories in the world. This striking new comic book collection will be the perfect introduction to the world of the ancient Egyptians – containing six tales full of mythical creatures, gods, pharaohs and adventure.

With striking illustrations by Núria Tamarit, this retelling of the Egyptian myths will delight readers of all ages.