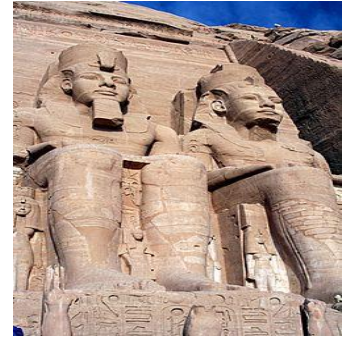


YEAR 4 ANCIENT EGYPT



WHERE WAS ANCIENT EGYPT?

Ancient Egypt was a civilisation that lived a long time ago in a place we now call Egypt. It is located in the north-east of Africa, beside the River Nile. The Nile River was very important to the Egyptians, as it gave them water, food, and a way to travel.

THE PEOPLE OF ANCIENT EGYPT

The people of Ancient Egypt were skilled workers, farmers, and builders. They lived in small villages and large cities. Most people were farmers, growing crops such as wheat, barley, and vegetables. The farmers used the water from the Nile to help their crops grow. There were also artisans who made beautiful jewellery, pottery, and paintings.

THE PHARAOHS

The Pharaoh was the king or queen of Ancient Egypt. The Pharaoh was considered a god by the people, and they believed that he or she had special powers. The Pharaoh's job was to lead the people, keep Egypt safe, and make sure the gods were happy. Some of the most famous Pharaohs were Tutankhamun, Cleopatra, and Ramses the Great.

THE PYRAMIDS

One of the most famous things about Ancient Egypt is the pyramids. These huge stone structures were built as tombs for the Pharaohs. The largest pyramid, the Great Pyramid of Giza, is one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. It is so big that people today still wonder how the ancient Egyptians built it without modern tools.

THE GODS AND RELIGION

The Egyptians believed in many gods and goddesses, and they thought these gods controlled everything in life. Some of the most famous gods were Ra, the sun god, and Anubis, the god of mummies and the afterlife. The Egyptians built huge temples to worship their gods, and they also believed in life after death.

WRITING AND THE HIEROGLYPHS

The Egyptians used a system of writing called hieroglyphs. Hieroglyphs were pictures that represented words or ideas. They wrote these pictures on the walls of temples, tombs, and on special scrolls made from



papyrus. These writings helped people remember important events and tell stories about the gods and Pharaohs.

THE MUMMIES

When a Pharaoh or a person of importance died, their body was carefully preserved through a process called mummification. The Egyptians believed that the body needed to be kept safe for the afterlife. After mummifying the body, it was placed inside a tomb, sometimes with treasures to help the person in their next life.

THE LEGACY OF ANCIENT EGYPT

Ancient Egypt has left us with many amazing things, like the pyramids, the Great Sphinx, and incredible art. We still study their history today to learn about their inventions, such as the calendar, and their great achievements in building and art. The Egyptians have taught us so much about their world, and their legacy still amazes us.

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EXAMPLE QUESTIONS:

1. Where did the Ancient Egyptians live, and why was the River Nile important to them?
2. What was the role of the Pharaoh in Ancient Egypt?
3. What were the pyramids used for, and which is the largest pyramid in Egypt?
4. Why did the Egyptians believe in many gods, and who was Ra?
5. What was mummification, and why did the Egyptians practice it?