



Paganel Primary School - Autumn Term Knowledge Organiser

Year Group: 5

Topic: Ancient Egypt.

Prior knowledge

- Children have identified countries on a global map and investigated the impact of human features on landscapes.
- Children have researched the impact of significant individuals on the wider world, e.g. Martin Luther King Jr and the Civil Rights Movement.

Key Knowledge

- In 7,500 BC, the first settlers arrived in the Nile Valley.
- In 3,500 BC, hieroglyphics are used to keep trade records.
- In 2,640 BC, the first pyramid is built.
- In 2,555 BC, the Giza pyramids are built for the kings Kufu, Kharfe and Menkaure.
- In 2,520 BC, the Great Sphinx is built.
- In 1,539 BC, the Valley of the Kings starts and Pharaohs are buried with their treasures.
- In 1,332 BC, the 10 year rule of Tutankhamun begins.
- In 51 BC, Cleopatra's reign begins, the Egyptian civilisation ends.

Key Vocabulary

Spelling	Definition/Sentence
B.C.	Used to show that a date is before the year 0. This is counted backwards, so 200 BC is before 100 BC . Dates after the year 0 are marked AD.
Civilisation	An organised society with its own culture and way of life, existing in a particular area over a particular period of time.
Irrigation	A system of canals or channels Egyptians dug to supply water to grow crops over a larger area than the water would reach naturally.
Cartouche	An oval shape in which the names of kings and queens were often written in hieroglyphics to place on their tombs.
Hieroglyphics	A system of writing that used pictures and symbols (hieroglyphs) instead of letters. It was often used for religious texts and inscriptions, as well as for counting taxes. Scribes had to go to a special school to learn how to read and write.

Images and Diagrams

Cartouche design



Egypt on a global map



Tutankhamun's Death Mask

