



History

Ancient Egypt



WHO WERE THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS?



Aim

- I can find out about the different ways in which ancient Egyptians lived and worked.

Success Criteria

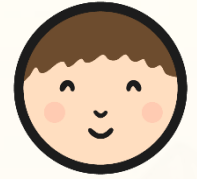
- I can point out where Egypt is on a map.
- I can describe when the ancient Egyptians lived.
- I can describe and name different roles in ancient Egyptian society and what those people did.

What do you think when someone says 'ancient Egypt'?



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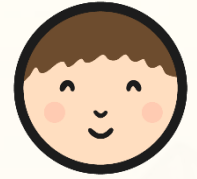
Task A



Using either sketches or words, record what comes to mind.



Ancient Egypt Task B



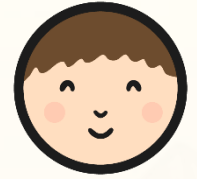
Can you come up with headings to group your knowledge underneath? E.g. religion, daily life, buildings, death etc.

Add any details you know underneath these headings.



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Task C



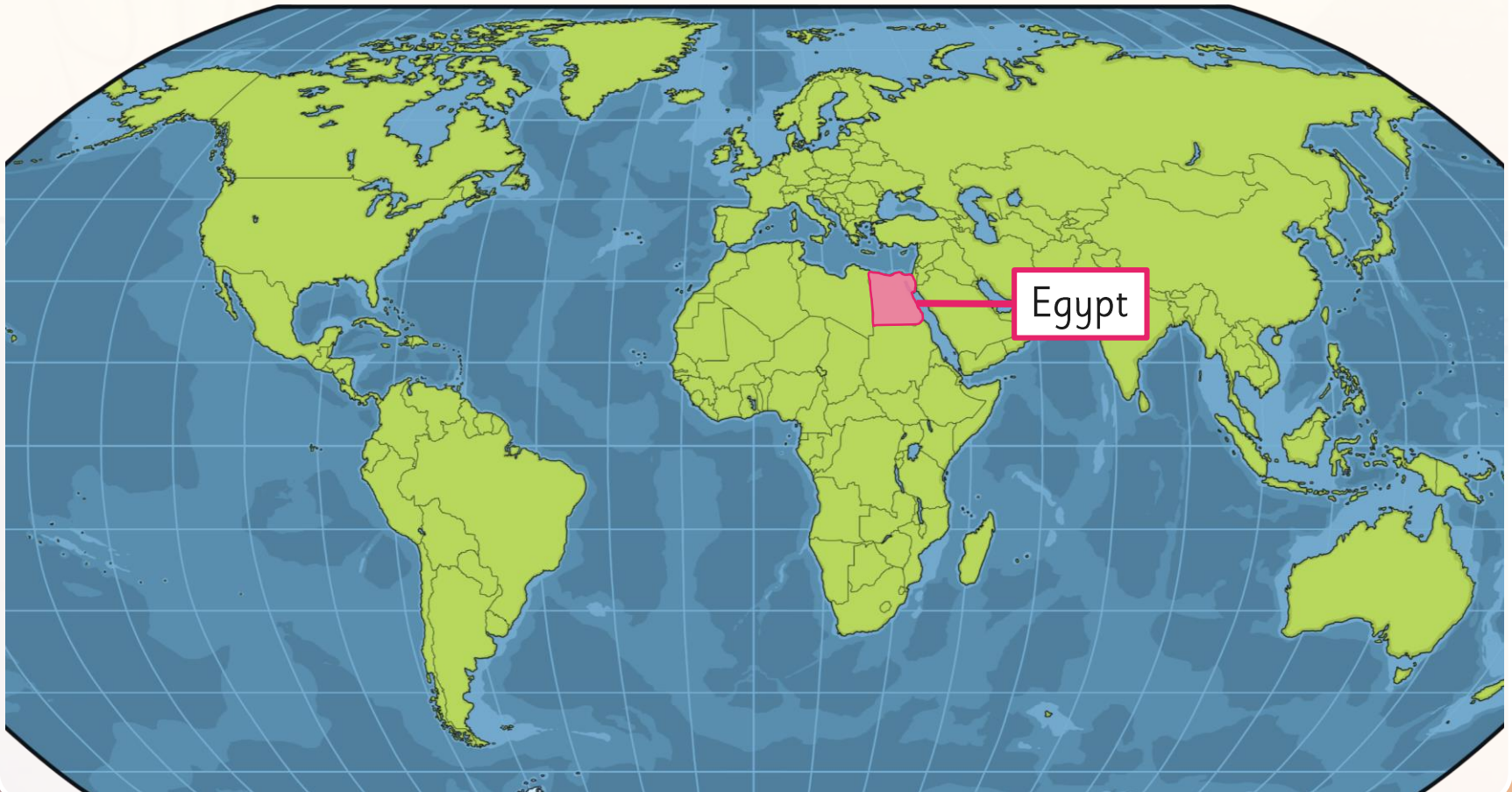
What would you like to find out more about?
Add questions underneath your headings.



Ancient Egypt: Where and When?



Can you find Egypt on the map?



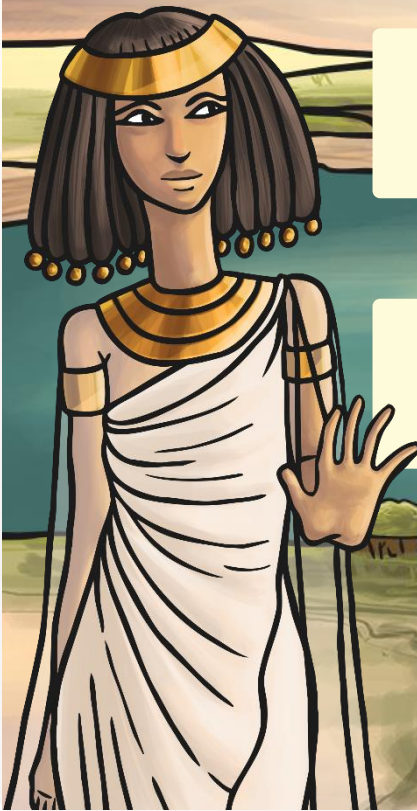
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Ancient Egypt refers to the ancient civilisation in Egypt.

What does 'ancient' mean?

What does 'civilisation' mean?



Ancient Egypt: Where and When?



In 3100 BC, King Menes united two Egyptian kingdoms and built an empire that lasted until 30 BC, when the Romans took over by force.

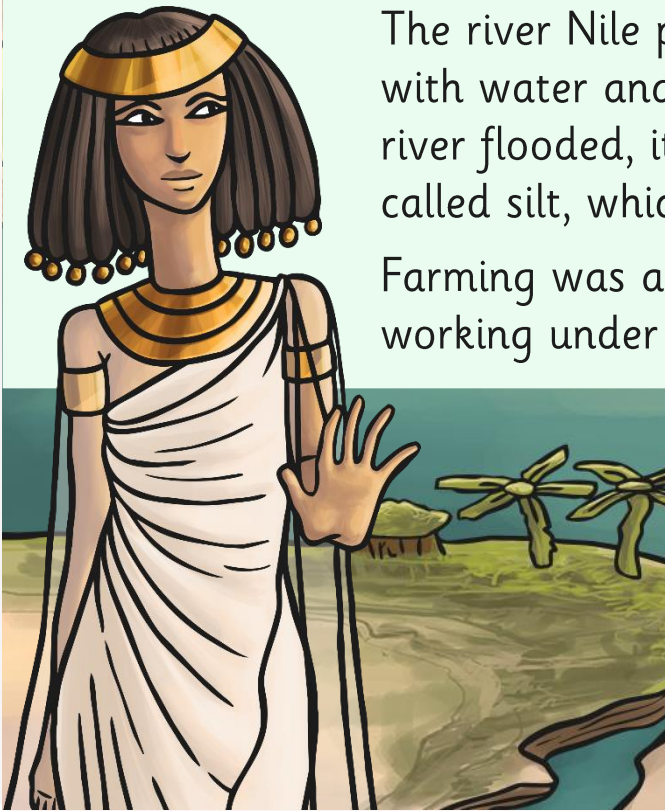
What other periods of history do you know of that were before, during or after this time?





Who Were the Ancient Egyptians?

Life in ancient Egypt focused around the river Nile. The river Nile provided the ancient Egyptian people with water and also food. This is because when the river flooded, it left behind a special type of mud, called silt, which made the land fertile for farming. Farming was a tough job to do in ancient Egypt, working under the very hot sun all day.



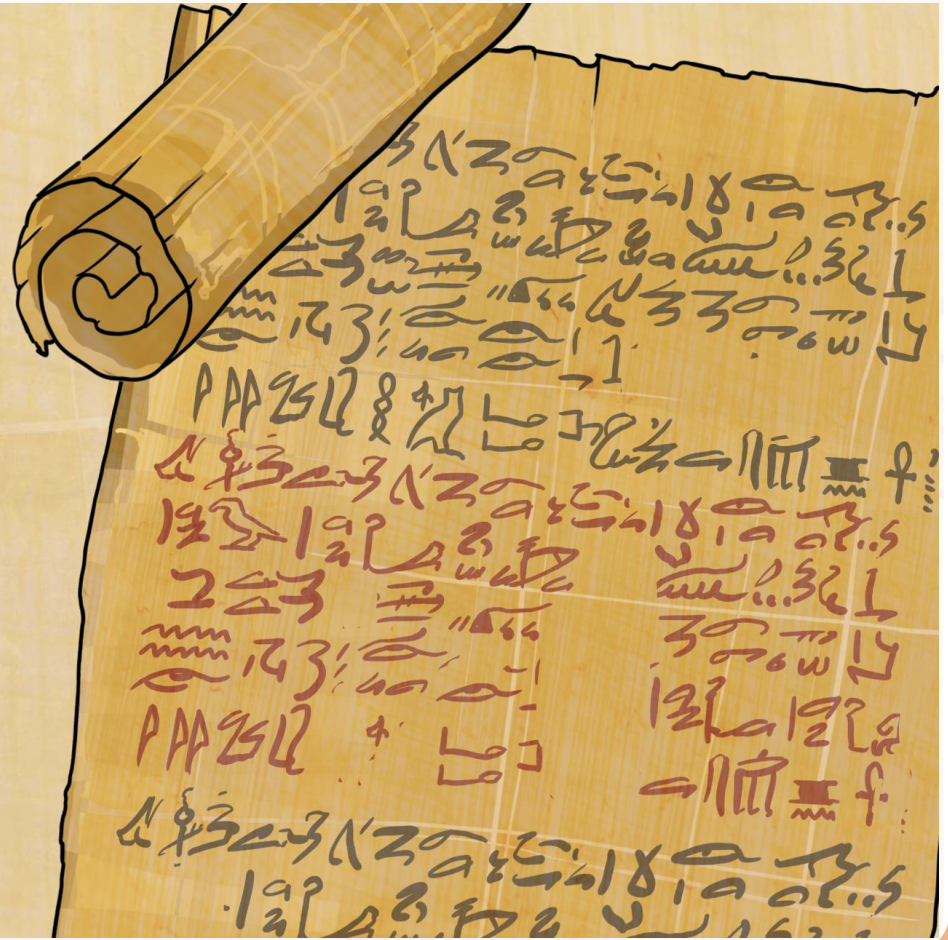
The river Nile was also important for travel and transportation. Merchants traded and transported goods between the major cities located along the river and further afield.

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One thing the ancient Egyptians are famous for is making a special type of paper called papyrus. They made this from the papyrus plant (a type of reed), which grows in the marshy land near the river Nile.

Scribes in ancient Egypt were trained to read and write. They wrote in special symbols called hieroglyphs.



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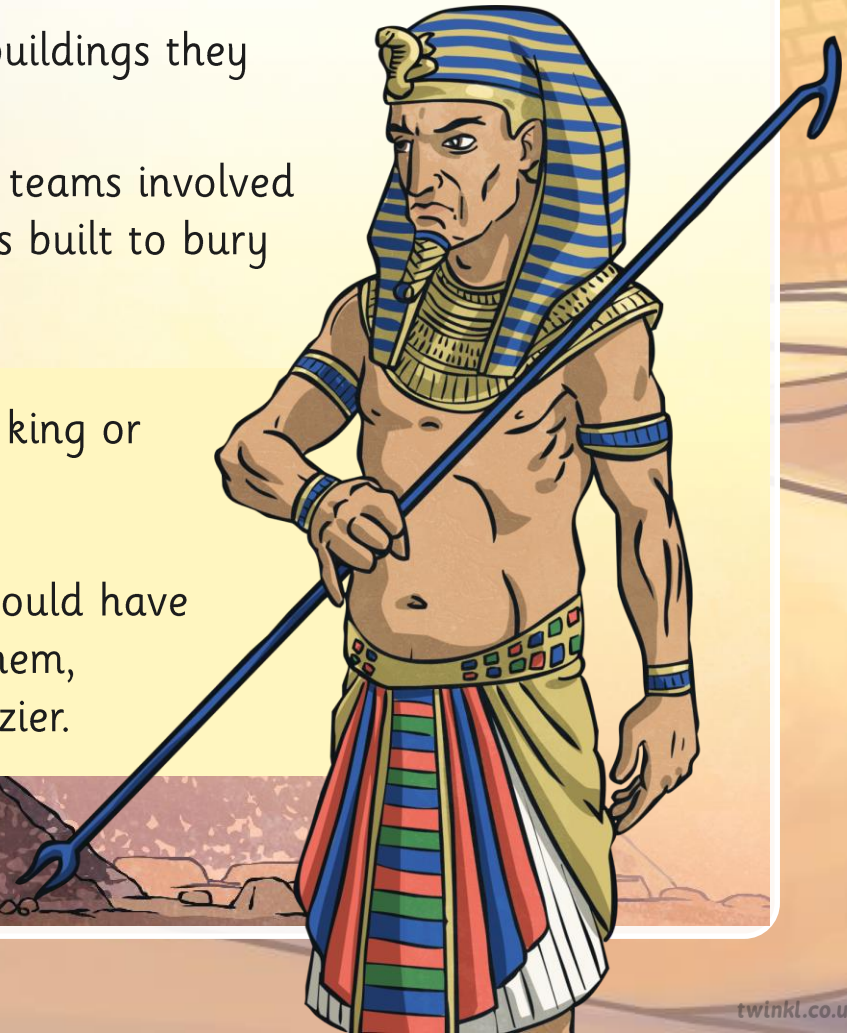


The ancient Egyptians are also known for the buildings they built from stone, most famously the pyramids.

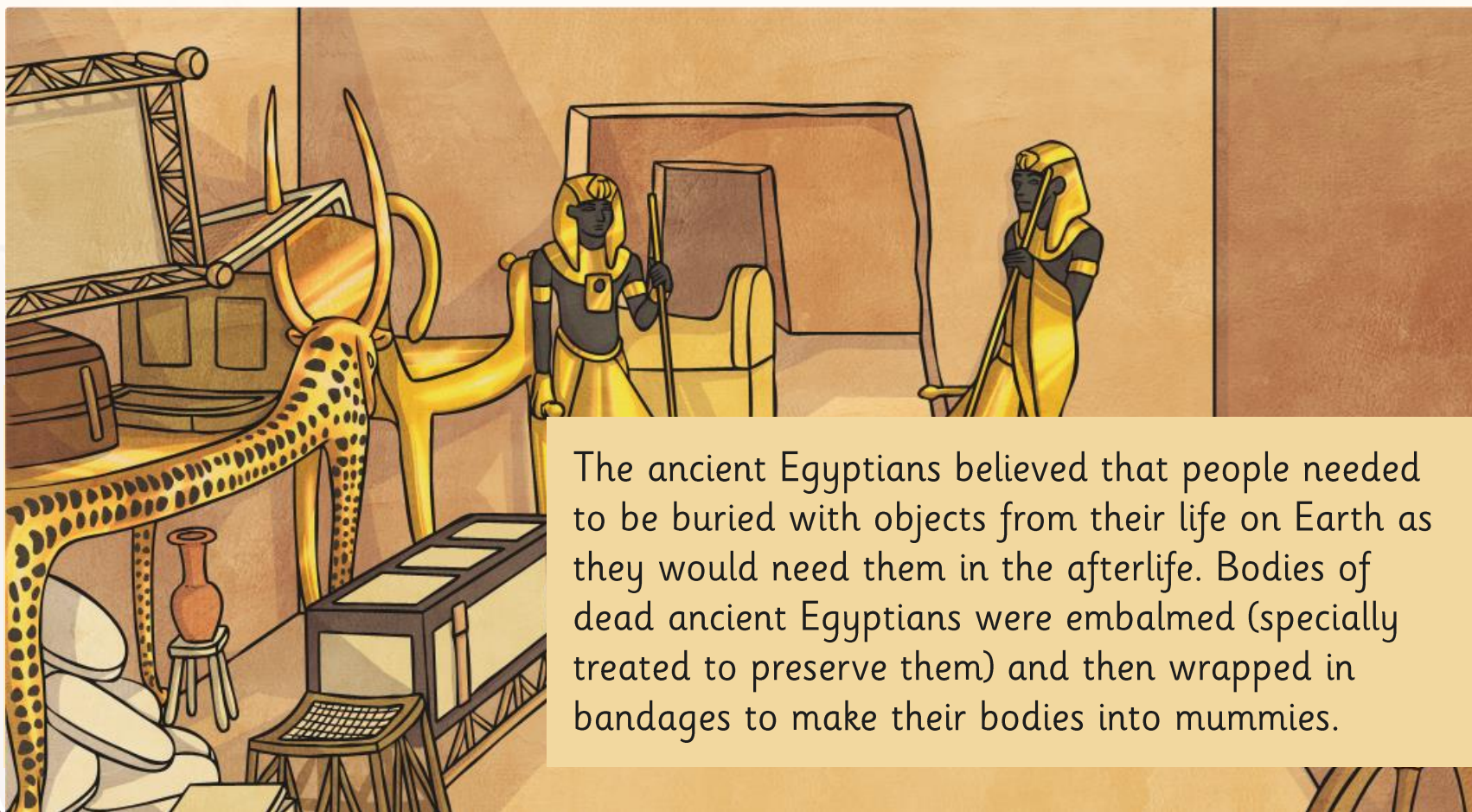
Architects and engineers were part of the huge teams involved in designing and planning these giant structures built to bury their pharaohs and other powerful people.

‘Pharaoh’ was the name given to the king or queen of Egypt.

Pharaohs were very important and would have lots of different people working for them, including a special adviser called a vizier.

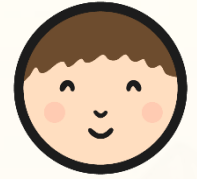


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The ancient Egyptians believed that people needed to be buried with objects from their life on Earth as they would need them in the afterlife. Bodies of dead ancient Egyptians were embalmed (specially treated to preserve them) and then wrapped in bandages to make their bodies into mummies.

Ancient Egyptian Roles



Life in ancient Egypt was very varied, depending on a person's wealth (money) and education.

On your sheet is a list of ancient jobs and their descriptions.

The roles and descriptions are muddled up.



Activity

1. You need to match the correct role to the description. Remember to read the information carefully.
2. You might have an '**extra challenge**' to complete.