

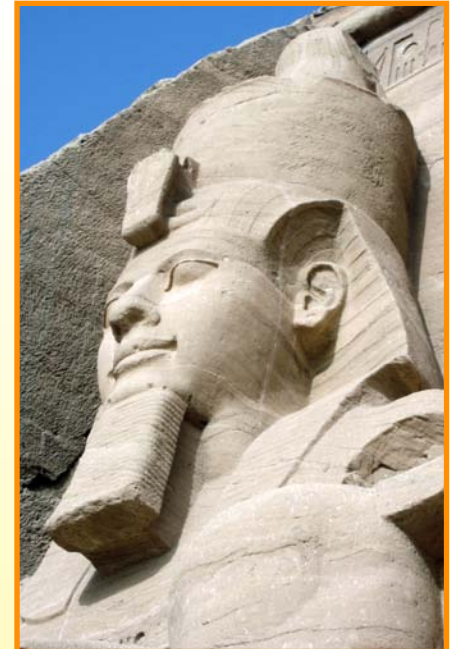
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So far, over 130 Ancient Egyptian pyramids have been discovered by archaeologists.



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The Ancient Egyptian civilisation is the longest lasting civilisation in human history. It lasted for over 3,000 years.



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The Ancient Egyptians used at least three different writing systems at different times. The best known one is hieroglyphics.



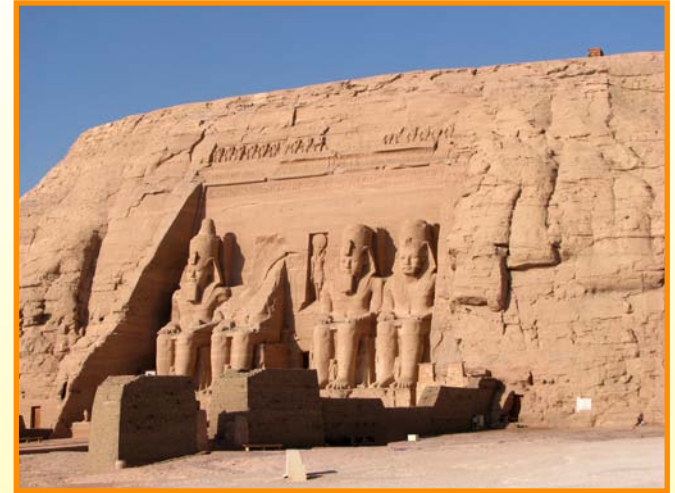
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Ancient Egyptians believed that writing was taught to people by the god Thoth and the Egyptian name for hieroglyphs (mdju netjer) means "Words of the gods".



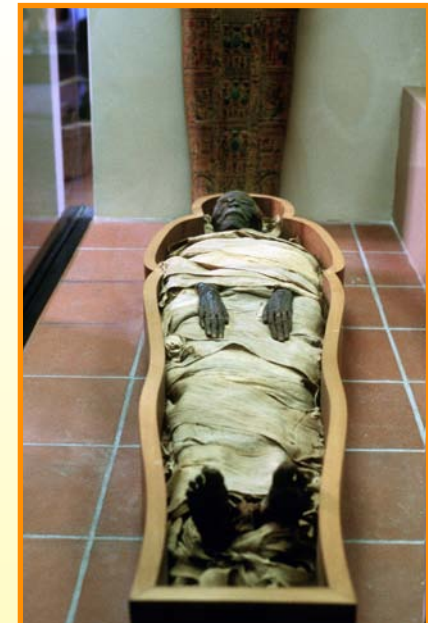
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The Egyptians strongly believed in life after death. When a high status person was buried, they put everything that they would need for the afterlife in the tomb with them.



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The dead were preserved by a process known as mummification. This process dried out the body to prevent decay.



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The heart was left in a mummy because the Egyptians believed that it was the source of all emotions and thoughts. The dead person would need it to enter the afterlife.



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During mummification, a hook was inserted into the nose and the brain was then removed.



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The internal organs were removed from the body and placed in the tomb. Four gods looked after the different organs: Imsety (the liver), Hapy (the lungs), Duamutef (the stomach) and Qebehsenuf (the intestines).



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Egyptians worshipped hundreds of gods and goddesses. They are often painted either with animal heads or wearing animal masks.



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The Egyptians believed that Ra, the sun god, died at the end of each day and spent the night in the underworld. He was born again at dawn.



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Ancient Egypt was governed by a king or queen known as the Pharaoh, who represented the gods on earth. All of the land in Egypt belonged to the Pharaoh.



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Tutankhamun was only 8 or 9 when he became Pharaoh and died when he was about 18. He was nicknamed "The Boy King".



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Tutankhamun's tomb was discovered by British Archaeologist Howard Carter in 1922. It was unusual because most tombs had been robbed of their treasure, but his was still mostly intact.



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Ancient Egyptians wore and carried amulets, which were believed to protect them and bring them good fortune.



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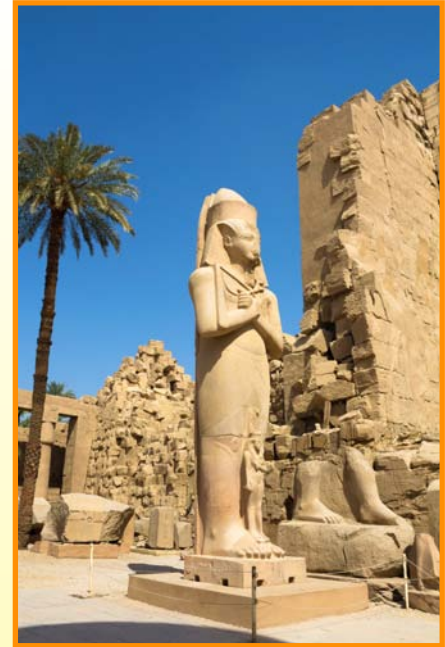
The Great Pyramid of Giza was the tallest man made structure in the world for over 3,800 years. It is built from approximately 2.3 million stone blocks.





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Only priests could enter Ancient Egyptian temples. Everyone else could only go into the outer courtyard. The temples were huge and covered with carvings showing the gods and pharaohs.



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The Sphinx was created to guard a pyramid at Giza 4,500 years ago. It was not built; it was cut out of natural limestone and is twenty metres tall.



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The Ancient Egyptians relied on the land around the river Nile for farming. The Nile flooded every year and when the floods receded, they left fertile soil behind.



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The Egyptians used the Nile to transport goods throughout the kingdom. The first boats used oars, but later on they developed wooden boats with sails.



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