



ESSENTIAL EGYPTIANS VOCABULARY

pharaoh	A ruler in ancient Egypt.
sarcophagus	A stone coffin, often decorated with sculpture or inscription.
excavate	To remove earth carefully from an area to find buried remains.
canopic jar	An urn used in burials to hold the organs from an embalmed body.
inscription	A word or words carved on stone or other hard surfaces.
hieroglyph	A character in the ancient Egyptian writing system.
papyrus	A material prepared from the stem of a plant growing near the Nile.
pyramid	A structure built from stone as a royal tomb in ancient Egypt.
mummify	Preserving a body by embalming and wrapping it in cloth.
archaeology	The recovery and study of objects such as graves or tools to learn about the past.
dynasty	A succession of people from the same family who rule a country.
polytheism	A belief or worship of more than one god.
ruler	A person who rules or governs.
religion	A set of beliefs held by a group of people, usually involving worship or prayer.
deity	A god or goddess

Ancient Civilisations (Hedgehogs - Autumn Term)

Previous Learning:

Hedgehogs will be able to locate the seven continents and some will know that Egypt is in the continent of Africa. Last year, the older pupils in the class studied prehistoric Britain, and an overview of early world civilisations. They also learned about the spread of the Roman empire.

Intended Learning:

Pupils will learn about pharaohs, pyramids, beliefs, everyday life, society and technological developments, in order to answer the historical enquiry question *What did the Ancient Egyptians achieve?*

Essential Reads



Bookshelf

Eyewitness: Ancient Egypt
 Egyptian Diary: The Journal of Nakht Young Scribe
 Ma'at's Feather - Juliet Desailly
 Egypt: Magnified - David Long
 The Story of Tutankhamun - Patricia Cleveland Peck
 Plot on the Pyramid- Terry Deary
 Flat Stanley & Great Egyptian grave robbery - Jeff Brown

Museums visits of interest

Ashmolean Museum, Oxford - Artefacts from Ancient Egypt and Sudan, including mummies, are displayed.

Pitt Rivers Museum, Oxford - There are some ancient artefacts amongst the collections, if you look closely!

British Museum, London - Multiple galleries dedicated to Ancient Egyptian artefacts.

