

History Knowledge Organiser Term 6

How much did the Ancient Egyptians achieve?



Key Objectives

- To identify reasons why the Ancient Egyptians are considered a successful civilisation.
- To understand the types of evidence that can be used to understand the Egyptians.
- To understand how different groups of people contributed to Ancient Egyptian achievements.
- To be able to reach conclusions about the Ancient Egyptian people through studying the pyramids.
- To understand Ancient Egyptian beliefs about creation and the afterlife.

Key Vocabulary

Civilisation	A group of people living in cities and sharing common ways of life, work and culture.
Hieroglyphics	The Ancient Egyptian system of writing that used pictures and symbols.
Irrigation	The way farmers add water to their fields without using rain.
Mummification	The process of preserving a dead body.
Canopic Jar	A special jar used by Ancient Egyptians to hold organs removed during mummification.
Sarcophagus	A large stone coffin decorated to bury people in.
Ancient Sumer	Ancient civilisations around the same time as the Ancient Egyptians.
Indus Valley	
Shanh Dynasty	

Sticky Knowledge

- The River Nile was important because it made the land fertile, so the Ancient Egyptians could grow crops and use it for transport.
- Society was structured with Pharaohs at the top and enslaved people at the bottom. Most people were farmers.
- Ancient Egyptians worshipped over 2000 Gods and Goddesses and they believed in the afterlife.
- The Ancient Egyptians had many achievements in areas such as farming, building, religion, medicine, writing, mathematics and crafts.