



ANCIENT EGYPT



2650 BC

The first pyramid,
a step pyramid, is
built



1670 BC

The Hyksos people
invade and introduce
the chariot



1539-1070 BC

This was the time
of the 'New
Kingdom'



332 BC

Alexander the Great
conquered Egypt and
founded Alexandria



3100 BC

King Narmer unites
Egypt and records it
on the Narmer
Palette (above)



2250 BC

Egyptians introduce
Gods for all areas
of their lives



1648 BC

Nilometers were
invented to track
the height of the
Nile



1070 BC

Egyptians joined Ra
and Amun to make
Amun-Ra; King of
the Gods



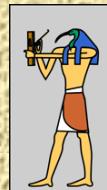
330 BC

Queen Cleopatra
kills herself.
Romans
conquer Egypt

Some Gods of Ancient Egypt



Anubis



Thoth



Bastet



Horus



Hathor

Pharaohs

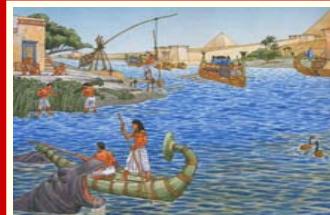
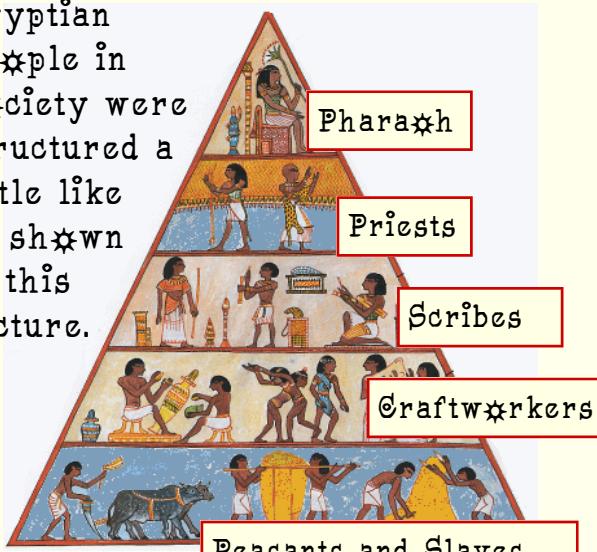
Rulers of Ancient Egypt were called pharaohs. The word 'pharaoh' means great house. The pharaoh was the most powerful person in Egypt and some people considered him a god.



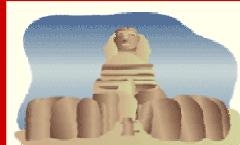
Ramses II ruled Egypt for over 60 years. In that time he fathered 156 children! He was a brave soldier and a great builder.

Society

Egyptian people in society were structured a little like is shown in this picture.



The River Nile was very important to the Egyptians. It provided water for drinking and for crops

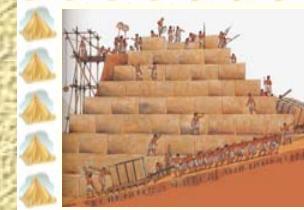


The Great Sphinx at Giza guards the Great Pyramids. It has the body of a lion and the face of a human.

Hieroglyphs

Ancient Egyptians used a system of picture writing called hieroglyphics. Each hieroglyph represented an object or letter. There were about 700 different hieroglyphs.

THE HIEROGLYPHIC ALPHABET	
a	an animal
b	a hand
c	the sun
d	a boat
e	a house
f	a person
g	a door
h	a mountain
i	a river
j	a tree
k	a hand
l	a person
m	a house
n	a boat
o	an animal
p	a hand
q	a person
r	a river
s	a tree
t	a mountain
u	a door
v	a house
w	a boat
x	a person
y	a hand
z	an animal



The Pyramids were built using huge stones. Each stone weighed as much as two and a half elephants! The finished pyramids had a white coating to protect the stones underneath.