

Egyptian Study Questions

1. What did Egyptians use to dry dead bodies?
2. What organ was left in a dead body?
3. What did ancient Egyptians believe to be true of the heart?
4. Why was an onion put in the mummy's hand?
5. What has the scientific study of mummies revealed?
6. Where in Egypt did papyrus grow?
7. How tall did papyrus grow?
8. Where does our word "paper" come from?
9. How long did it take scribes to memorize all the hieroglyphic signs?
10. What was the **best-known** symbol of a scribe?
11. Why would scribes keep a little statue of Thoth?
12. Name the talented scribe who was called the "Son of Ptah".
13. What was the greatest achievement of Imhotep?
14. What was the most important means of transportation for the ancient Egyptians?
15. Name two materials that ancient Egyptians used to build boats.
16. What kind of sail did ancient Egyptians use to drive their ships?
17. Imhotep designed the step pyramid for which king?
18. Which of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World still exists in Egypt?
19. What did the shape of the pyramid represent?
20. Where did the ancient Egyptians believe the "Land of the Dead" was?
21. The *Book of the Dead* was...
22. What did Egyptian farmers use to pull a plow?
23. What did Tutankhamon have about 100 of in his tomb?
24. What animal was honored as the god Sobek?
25. What animal represented Anubis?
26. What word means "river horse"?
27. What did the Greek historian, Herodotus, call Egypt?
28. What is a cataract?
29. Who was Thoth?
30. What was a menat?
31. What was a nome?
32. What is Maat?
33. Where do the White Nile and Blue Nile join together?
34. What does a "low Nile" mean?
35. What was linen made from?
36. What was the first pyramid made of stone?
37. Where were the millions of lime-stone blocks for the three great pyramids quarried?
38. In 1954, a 140 ft. long boat was discovered sealed in a chamber. Whose pyramid was it near?
39. What was the most important *moment* in a mummy's life?
40. How many days did it take to mummify the Pharaoh?
41. According to the ancient Egyptian creation story, before the beginning there was...
42. Ra first appeared as...

43. In the Egyptian Creation story, man were formed from...
44. Ra's first children were...
45. Ra carries the sun across the sky in...
46. What huge animal tried to defeat Ra?
47. Ra was believed to emerge each day from behind...
48. Clothing in Egypt was necessary for...
49. Flax was used to make...
50. Men of all social levels wore...
51. How often did the majority of Egyptians bathe?
52. High-ranking Egyptian men and women often did what?
53. Quarrymen and workmen often received what as part of their pay?
54. How long is the Nile River?
55. What is unique about the Nile River? (It is the only major river in the world that...)
56. The kingdom of the Sixth Cataract of the Nile in ancient times was known as:
57. What type of climate does Egypt have?
58. The three seasons in Egypt were...
59. In ancient Egypt, what did a nanometer measure?
60. Gold came from mines in what location?
61. Who was the "capstone" of Egyptian society?
62. Who was the "bottom of the pyramid" of Egyptian society?
63. Egyptians shaved off their eyebrows when...
64. Of what were most Egyptian houses made?
65. How long did Egyptian soldiers train?
66. How did ancient Egyptians make black paint?
67. Most women could not do what in ancient Egyptian society?
68. In how many rooms did poor people live?
69. With what were the boundaries of fields marked?
70. Into how many seasons was a farmer's year split?
71. During what season could farming not be done?
72. During the season that farmers could not work, what did they do?
73. Which months were considered the Inundation season?
74. Which was the largest social class during ancient Egypt?
75. What was considered a sign of status for the upper class?
76. Egyptians were polytheistic. What does this mean?
77. Which of the Egyptian gods was the sun god?
78. Which of the Egyptian gods was the goddess of love and beauty?
79. Which of the Egyptian gods was the god of the scribes?
80. Who was Anubis?
81. Which of the Egyptian gods was the sky god?
82. Who was Ptah?
83. Who was Hathor?
84. Who was Isis?
85. Who was Mut?
86. Which of the Egyptian gods was the hippopotamus goddess?
87. Which god was depicted as a mummified youth with a lock of hair on his head?
88. Who was the cobra goddess, patron of Lower Egypt?

89. Which god was shown as a pair of upraised arms?
90. Imsety was a canopic jar that stored...
91. Quebehsenuf, a falcon, was a stopper on a canopic jar that stored...
92. Hapy, a baboon, was a stopper on a canopic jar that stored...
93. Duamutef, a jackal, was a stopper on a canopic jar that stored...
94. What organ in the body did the Egyptians think was worthless?
95. Where were the canopic jars placed?
96. What was a Sarcophagus?
97. What did Sarcophagus mean?
98. What was the test of truth and honor called?
99. The Egyptians believed that all the good and bad deeds of a person's lifetime were stored in...
100. Who was the god Ammut?