

History Year 6

Spring Term – Journeys

Ancient Egypt

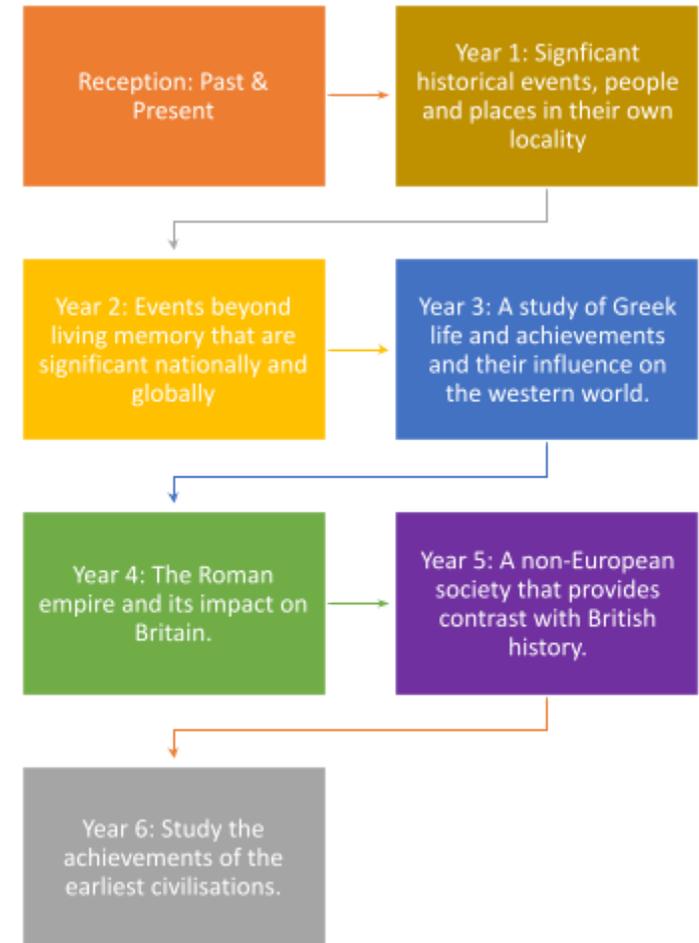
Ancient Egyptians – Key Events

Version 1: Put these Ancient Egyptian events into chronological order. If the year has a 'c' in front of it (e.g. c6000 BC) it means the date is approximate.

 525 BC Persians conquer Egypt.	 c2600 BC First pyramids constructed.	 1922 AD Tutankhamun's tomb discovered by Howard Carter.
 c5000 BC First settlers in the valley of the River Nile.	 c2500 BC The Great Pyramid of Giza constructed.	 1279 BC Ramesses II starts his 66-year reign as Pharaoh.
 c3000 BC Towns and cities are built.	 c1323 BC Tutankhamun buried.	 c3100 BC First hieroglyphics appear.
 30 BC Cleopatra VII – the last Pharaoh – dies.	 c1550 BC Tombs begin being built in the Valley of the Kings.	 332 BC Greeks conquer Egypt.

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Curriculum pathway:



Key Vocabulary:

Entomb - bury or trap within something

Sarcophagus - a stone coffin, associated with the ancient civilizations of Egypt, Rome, and Greece.

Scarab - The scarab beetle was one of the most popular amulets in ancient Egypt

Sphinx - a winged female monster in Greek mythology having a woman's head and a lion's body

Hieroglyphics - symbols or writing.

Mummification - the process of preserving a dead body as a mummy

Rosetta Stone - The Rosetta Stone is an ancient Egyptian stone bearing inscriptions in several languages and scripts

Cartouche - a carved tablet or drawing representing a scroll with rolled-up ends, used ornamentally or bearing an inscription.

Pharaoh - a ruler in ancient Egypt.

Key Questions:

How long ago was the Egyptian empire?

What was important to people during Ancient Egyptian times?

How does Ancient Egypt compare to other ancient civilisations?

What steps are required for mummification?

Who were the ancient Egyptian gods?

Key Facts:

Links

Most Ancient Egyptian pyramids were built as tombs for pharaohs and their families.

Egyptians believed that by preserving a dead person's body, through the process of mummification, their soul would live on in the afterlife forever.

The Egyptian alphabet contained more than 700 hieroglyphs.

Cats were considered sacred animals by the Ancient Egyptians.

Cats were believed to bring a household good luck.