

What we are learning....

Where does Ancient Egypt fit in with other Early Civilisations?

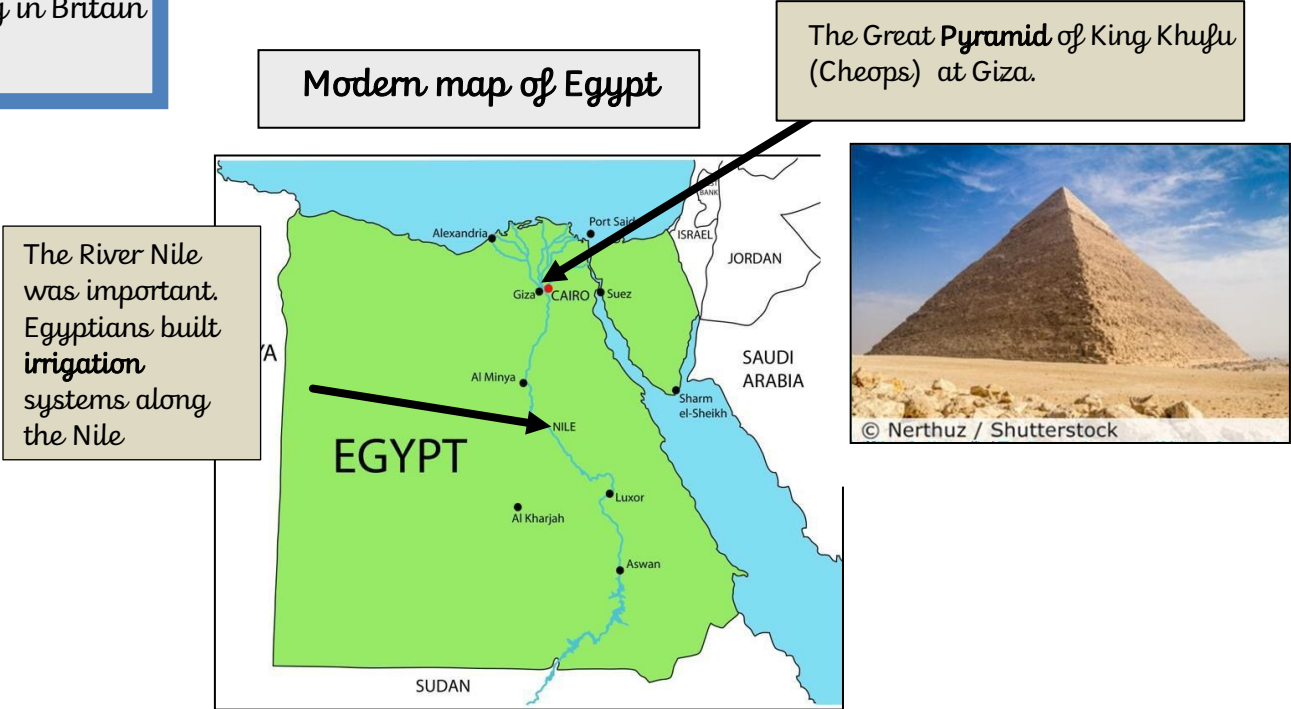
Who were the ancient Egyptians? We can find out about ancient Egyptian **civilisation** by studying **archaeological** remains and writing.

Why was the River Nile important to the ancient Egyptians? The River Nile made the land **fertile**, so the Egyptians could grow crops. It was also used for **transport** and **trade**. A system of canals that led from the Nile were also used to water fields in other areas. This is called **irrigation**.

What was daily life like in ancient Egypt? Most people in ancient Egypt were farmers.

Who were the **pharaohs**? **Society** was structures with the pharaohs at the top and slaves at the bottom.

Why was Hatshepsut called the Queen of the Nile? She was a powerful female Egyptian pharaoh who was the first female architect in history. Hatshepsut helped support Egypt's trade links with others and transported ebony, gold, incense and animals from Africa.



| Vocabulary Dozen | | | |
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| archaeology | the study of lives and cultures of ancient people | transport | methods people use to move themselves and goods from one place to another |
| pharaoh | an ancient Egyptian ruler, can be a king or queen | civilisation | people living together in cities in social groupings. |
| pyramid | a four sided, triangular building built as an Egyptian tomb, a place to bury the dead | society | a large group of people who live together in an organised way, making decisions about how to do things and sharing the work that needs to be done. |
| irrigation | watering crops through man-made channels such as ditches or canals | ancient | very old, having existed a long time ago |
| descendants | a person who is related to you and who lives after you, such as your child or grandchild. | fertile | able to support the growth of a large number of strong healthy plants/crops |
| trade | The buying and selling of goods and services. | BC and AD | BC – before Christ (BCE -before common era) AD – after Christ (CE- common era) |