



Beech Hill Topic Must Knows  
Year 4, Autumn Term 2 - Ancient Egypt



Facts/Skills

- Egypt is a country in the continent of Africa.
- Ancient Egyptian period was from 3100BC - 30BC.
- BC means historical periods Before Christ was born, AD is after he was born.
- Explain why the River Nile was important to Ancient Egyptians (transport of people & goods, farming & fishing and construction)
- Explain how the mummification process works and why it was important (so they could reach the afterlife)
- Understand that Ancient Egypt was a hierarchical society (slaves, land owners, nobles, priests, pharaohs.)
- Name some of the most important gods in Ancient Egypt (eg. Ra, Bast, Isis, Anubis, Nut)
- Recognise that Ancient Egyptians used hieroglyphs as written communication
- Understand how the Egyptian civilisation has changed over time, and compare ancient and modern Egypt.
  
- Identify and describe the properties of 3D shapes and use a net to create a suitable tomb for a pharaoh. ([Maths Link](#))
- Write set of instructions to show the process of mummification ([English Link](#))
- Use collage and digital media to create a mixed-media Egyptian self-portrait ([Arts Link](#))

Key

Vocabulary

Egypt  
Africa  
ancient  
civilisation  
timeline  
River Nile  
pyramids  
pharaohs  
BC/AD

mummification  
canopic jars  
natron  
linen  
amulets  
sarcophagus  
culture  
artefact  
sources  
monuments

gods  
Ra  
Bast  
Isis  
Anubis  
Nut  
afterlife  
transport  
goods  
farming

crops  
fishing  
construction  
papyrus  
wheat  
flax  
hieroglyphs  
slaves  
land owners  
priests

pharaohs  
nobles  
tombs  
pyramid  
faces  
  
edges  
vertices  
instructions  
collage