ANCIENT EGYPT

The gift of the River Nile

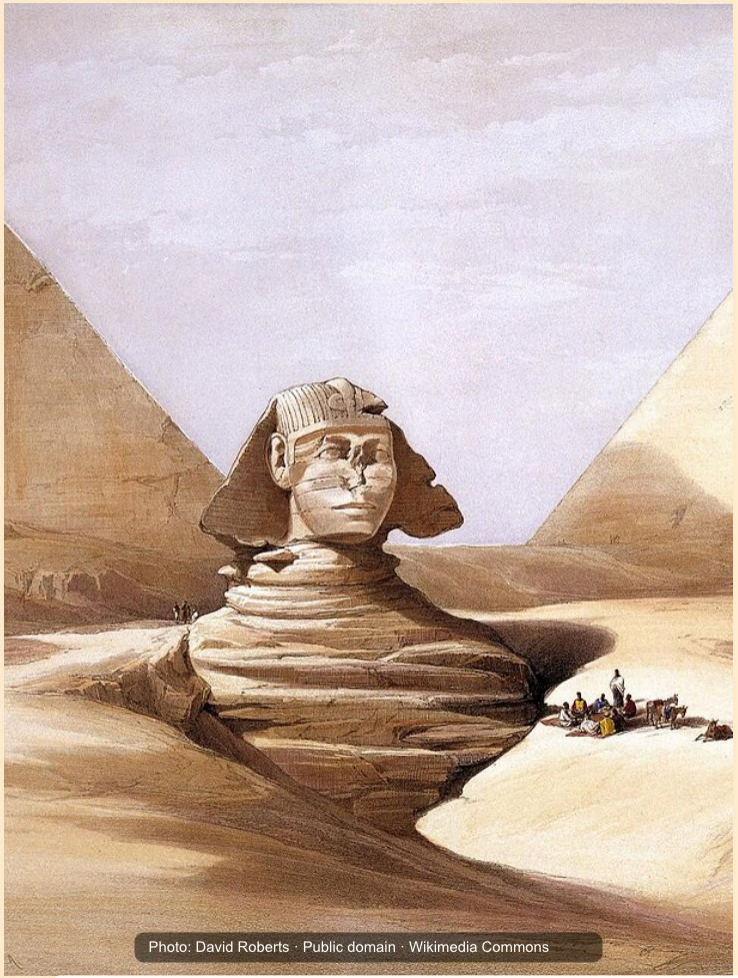


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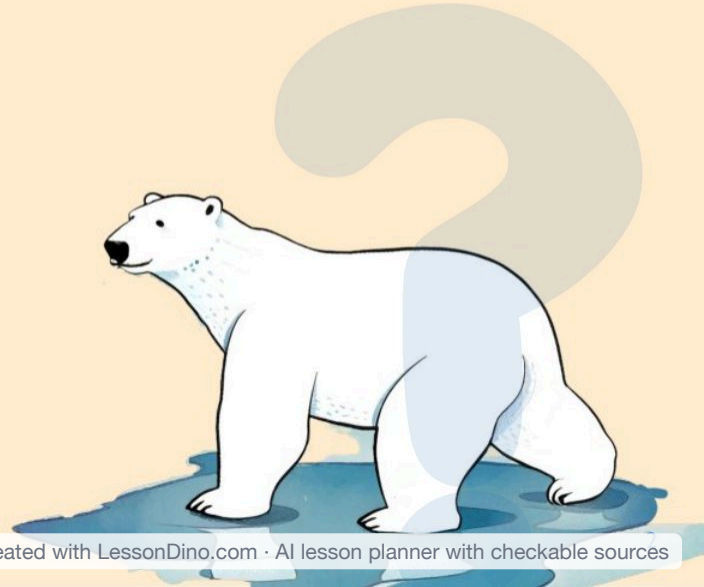
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WHAT COULD THIS BE?

Tiny pictures cover this old stone wall. What do you think they are?



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WHY DID EGYPT START AT THE NILE?

Nile floods each summer → Flood leaves dark rich soil → Farmers grow lots of food → Villages join into one kingdom

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HOW ONE EGYPT WAS MADE

1. Two kingdoms: Upper in south, Lower in north
2. About 3100 BC King Menes unites them
3. New capital Memphis is built
4. Pharaohs, meaning kings, rule for years



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WHICH IS MOST AMAZING?

Which Egyptian achievement would you most want to see?

- **A** Giant pyramids for pharaohs
- **B** Picture writing - hieroglyphs
- **C** Farming with Nile water
- **D** Keeping bodies as mummies

Vote with your hands, then explain why.

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EGYPT BY THE RIVER



▶ 0:00 – 5:00

- Watch where Egypt was in Africa
- Spot what the Nile gave people



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EGYPT LASTED SO LONG!

3000 yrs

how long Ancient Egypt lasted

From about 3100 BC to 30 BC, one of the longest civilisations ever.



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PYRAMIDS, MUMMIES AND PHARAOHS



▶ 0:00 – 4:03

- Watch how pyramids were tombs
- Listen for gods and afterlife ideas



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YOUR TASK

In pairs, make a mini Nile poster to show why Egypt succeeded.

1. Draw the Nile down the middle
2. Add 3 pictures: food, writing, pyramid
3. Write one short label for each

10 min

In pairs

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TWO LIVES IN EGYPT

Pharaoh

- Ruled land and religion
- Lived in palace, buried in pyramid

Farmer

- Grew wheat and barley
- Worked fields, helped build temples



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THINK, PAIR, SHARE

Why do you think we call Egypt the gift of the Nile?



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EXIT TICKET

1. One thing I learnt today...

2. One question I still have...



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