

## Why Was Ancient Egypt So Important?

### History and Geography Overview

- Egypt is located on the north east coast of the African continent.
- Cairo is the capital city.
- The River Nile runs the length of the country from south to north.
- Ancient Egypt is one of the most famous civilisations in history. The Ancient Egyptians built huge pyramids, temples, palaces and tombs.



### Significant Figures

King Narmer (3273 - 2987 BC)  
King Tutankhamun (1332-1323 BC)  
Rameses II (1279 - 1213 BC)  
Cleopatra (51 - 30 BC)  
Howard Carter unearthed King Tutankhamun's tomb in 1922

### Key Vocabulary

Ancient

Archaeologist

Desert

Fertile

Great Pyramids

Hieroglyphics

Mummification

Papyrus

Pharaoh

River Nile

Rosetta Stone

Tomb

### Core Knowledge

#### Civilisation

Ancient Civilisations built cities and invented forms of writing. They all evolved around Rivers which provided transport, materials, nourishment and health (Egypt c. 5000 BC - 323BC).

#### Power

Societies were based on class systems and Pharaohs were believed to be God-like. Tutankhamun was the youngest known pharaoh, known as 'The Boy King'; his tomb was unearthed by Howard Carter in 1922.

#### Trade

The fertile River Nile enabled successful crop growth and trade through transport.

#### Migration

Egyptians migrated to the fertile Nile and away from the inhospitable desert.

#### Legacy

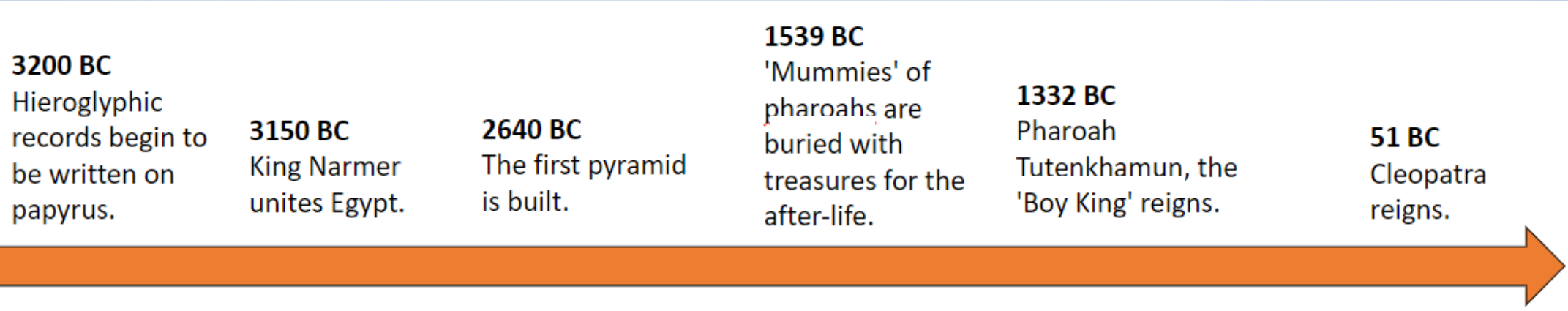
The Egyptians were the first to develop language into writing: hieroglyphics. Great Pyramids, mummification and death ceremony. Pyramids still stand along with the contents of tombs. Treasures and papyrus scrolls provide evidence for archaeologists.



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