

Ancient Egypt Vocabulary Reference Mat

Learning objective: To understand and define key historical vocabulary related to the Ancient Egyptian civilisation.

Key Vocabulary

Explore the world of Ancient Egypt with Elie the elephant! Elie has organised these key terms into three categories: 'Daily Life', 'Beliefs and Rulers', and 'Writing and Geography'. Read through the definitions to help you with your historical enquiries.

Pharaoh The supreme ruler of Ancient Egypt...	Hieroglyphics A formal writing system used...	Papyrus A material similar to thick paper ma...
Sarcophagus A large stone coffin, often dec...	Mummification A process used to preserve ...	Canopic jars Special containers used during...
Dynasty A line of rulers from the same family...	Nile The longest river in Africa, which provid...	Irrigation A method of bringing water from t...
Afterlife The place where Ancient Egyptians...	Amulet A small charm worn to protect the o...	Scribe A person trained to read and write, w...
Pyramid A monumental structure with a squ...	Deity A god or goddess worshipped by the p...	Shaduf A tool used to lift water from the river...
1. Why was the R...	2. Explain the diff...	3. Why do you thi...
4. If you were a fa...	5. Why is papyrus...	