Ellie’s Ancient Egypt Expedition

Step back in time with Ellie the Elephant to uncover the golden secrets of the sand!

- **The River Nile was the lifeblood of Egypt; every year it flooded, leaving behind rich, dark mud called silt which helped farmers grow plenty of food.**
- **Ancient Egyptians used a clever writing system called hieroglyphics, which used pictures and symbols to represent sounds and words instead of an alphabet.**
- **A Pharaoh was the ruler of Ancient Egypt and was considered to be both a powerful king and a representative of the gods on Earth.**
- **The Egyptians were master builders who constructed enormous stone pyramids to act as grand tombs for their Pharaohs to rest in after their lives ended.**
- **Ancient Egyptians wore linen clothes to keep cool in the hot desert sun and often decorated their jewellery with colourful stones like lapis lazuli.**

Did you know? Did you know? Ancient Egyptians invented a type of paper called papyrus! They made it from reeds that grew along the banks of the River Nile. It was much easier to carry than heavy stone tablets.

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