

First Grade “Ancient Egypt” Assessment

- 1a. Egypt is on which continent?

- 1b. Egypt is located in the _____ (give a direction) part of the continent of _____.
- 1c. Name the continent that Egypt is located on. Describe the land within and around Egypt.

- 2a. Egypt is located in the _____ Desert.
a. Mohave
b. Sahara
- 2b. Which desert surrounds Egypt?

- 2c. Name the desert that Egypt is located in. Why is it difficult to live in the desert?

- 3a. Which river runs through Egypt?
a. Tigris River
b. Nile River
- 3b. Which river runs through Egypt?

- 3c. Which river runs through Egypt? Why did Ancient Egyptians settle along this river?

- 4a. How did the flooding of the river help crops grow?
a. The flooding made the soil richer so the crops could grow easily.
b. The flooding killed animals that ate the crops.
- 4b. How did the flooding of the river help crops grow?
a. The flooding destroyed other plants near the river.
b. The flooding made the soil richer so the crops could grow easily.
c. The flooding killed animals that ate the crops.
d. The flooding carried seeds from one place to another.

4c. How did the flooding of the river help crops grow?

5a. What did the Egyptians do to feed their families?

- a. They went to the store to buy food.
- b. They planted crops along the river and farmed.

5b. What did the Egyptians do to feed their families?

5c. Describe farming in Ancient Egypt.

6a. The Egyptians thought the pharaohs were divine or like _____.

6b. The Egyptians thought the pharaohs were _____.

6c. What did it mean that the Egyptians thought the pharaohs were divine?

7a. How did the pharaohs try to show that they were more powerful than previous pharaohs were?

- a. They built larger monuments.
- b. They gave more money to the people.

7b. How did pharaohs try to show that they were more powerful than the previous pharaohs were? (Circle two correct answers).

- a. They had larger and larger monuments built.
- b. They gave more money to the people.
- c. They erased the work of previous pharaohs.
- d. They fought more wars.

7c. How did the pharaohs try to show that they were more powerful than the previous pharaohs were?

- 8a. Why is Tutankhamen a famous pharaoh?
a. He built the biggest tomb that has been discovered.
b. His tomb was discovered with many treasures inside of it.

8b. Why is Tutankhamen a famous pharaoh?

8c. Describe what the archaeologists found in Tutankhamen's tomb?

9a. How was Hatshepsut different from most pharaohs?

- a. Hatshepsut was a woman.
b. Hatshepsut had the Sphinx built.

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- a. Hatshepsut invented hieroglyphics.
b. Hatshepsut was a woman.
c. Hatshepsut had the Sphinx built.
d. Hatshepsut was a farmer.

9c. How was Hatshepsut different from most pharaohs? How was Hatshepsut similar?

10a. The Egyptians built _____ to keep the mummies safe.

10b. Describe what can be found inside an Egyptian pyramid and why they were there.

10c. Compare today's graves to Ancient Egyptian tombs.

11a. What is a mummy?

11b. How do Egyptians prepare a mummy?

11c. What is a mummy and why did Egyptians prepare mummies?

12a. Egyptian gods often had the body of a human and the head of a(n)

12b. Name and describe one of the Egyptian animal gods.

12c. Name and draw one of the gods the Egyptians worshipped.

13a. What is the name of the famous structure in Egypt with the head of a human and the body of a lion?

- a. Rameses
- b. Sphinx

13b. Describe the Sphinx.

13c. Describe the Sphinx and explain how it is the Sphinx like a pharaoh?

14a. Egyptian hieroglyphics uses _____ instead of letters.

- a. numbers
- b. pictures

14b. Which of the following pictures are used in hieroglyphics? (Circle more than one).

- a. falcons
- b. buildings
- c. snakes
- d. cars

14c. How are hieroglyphics different than letters?

The following Colorado Model Content Standards are covered in this assessment by the questions indicated.

Questions 6a, 6b, 6c, 7a, 7b, 7c, 10a, 10b, 10c: History Standard 5.2. Students know how various systems of government have developed and functioned throughout history.

Questions 12a, 12b, 12c: History Standard 6.1. Students know the historical development of religions and philosophies.

Questions 12a, 12b, 12c: History Standard 6.3. Students know how various forms of expression reflect religious beliefs and philosophical ideas.

Questions 1a, 1b, 1c, 2a, 2b, 2c, 3a, 3b, 3c: Geography Standard 1.2. Students develop knowledge of Earth to locate people, places, and environments.

Questions 4a, 4b, 4c: Geography Standard 2.3. Students know how culture and experience influence people's perceptions of places and regions.

Questions 3c: Geography Standard 4.1. Students know the characteristics, location, distribution, and migration of human populations.

Answer Key

- 1a. Africa
1b. Northern Africa
1c. Africa
Acceptable answers could include:
-it is surrounded by desert
-the Nile River runs through it
-it is very dry
- 2a. b. Sahara
2b. Sahara Desert
2c. Sahara Desert
Acceptable answers could include:
-it is difficult to grow crops
-it is very dry
-there is often not enough water
- 3a. b. Nile River
3b. Nile
3c. Nile River
Acceptable answers could include:
-the soil near the river was rich
-people settle along rivers for a water source
-you cannot live without fresh water
- 4a. a. The flooding made the soil richer so the crops could grow easily.
4b. b. The flooding made the soil richer so the crops could grow easily.
4c. Acceptable answers could include:
-the river made the soil richer
-the flooding made the soil dark and rich with nutrients
- 5a. b. They planted crops along the river and farmed.
5b. Acceptable answers could include:
-They planted crops along the river and farmed.
5c. Acceptable answers could include:
-they farmed along the Nile, they planted seeds in the rich soil created by the flooding of the Nile.
- 6a. gods
6b. like gods or divine
6c. Acceptable answers could include:
-they thought they were like gods
-they thought the pharaohs were more than humans

- 7a. a. They built larger monuments.
- 7b. a. They had larger and larger monuments built.
c. They erased the work of previous pharaohs.
- 7c. Acceptable answers could include:
-they built bigger monuments
-they erased the work of other pharaohs
- 8a. b. His tomb was discovered with many treasures inside of it.
- 8b. Acceptable answers could include:
-his tomb was discovered with many treasures inside
-his mummy was preserved well
-his tomb was well hidden so that grave robbers had never discovered it
- 8c. Acceptable answers could include:
-decorated chairs
-jewelry
-clothes
-a mummy
- 9a. a. Hatshepsut was a woman.
- 9b. b. Hatshepsut was a woman.
- 9c. Acceptable answers could include:
-Hatshepsut was different because she was a woman.
-She was similar because she led armies into battle and had many monuments built.
- 10a. pyramids
- 10b. Acceptable answers could include:
-mummies
-treasures
-things a pharaoh will need in the afterlife
- 10c. Acceptable answers could include:
-both hold dead bodies
-both are places made for keeping dead bodies
-They are different because today's graves do not hold treasures, gems and other valuable things.
- 11a. Acceptable answers could include:
-a well preserved body of a dead Egyptian
- 11b. Acceptable answers could include:
-they take out the organs
-they use spices and oils
-they wrap the body in white cloth
- 11c. Acceptable answers could include:
-a well preserved body of a dead Egyptian
-They believed the body must be preserved to hold the spirit in the afterlife.

- 12a. animal (accept specific animals as well)
- 12b. Acceptable answers could include:
-Horus or Amon Ra
-It had the body of a human and the head of a cat, raven, falcon...
- 12c. Acceptable answers could include:
-Horus or Amon Ra
-picture should include an animal's head with a human body
- 13a. Sphinx
- 13b. The Sphinx had the body of a lion and the head of a man.
- 13c. Acceptable answers could include:
- The Sphinx had the body of a lion and the head of a man.
-The pharaoh rules like a man and is as powerful as a lion.
- 14a. b. pictures
- 14b. a. falcons
c. snakes
- 14c. Hieroglyphics are pictures that represent words.