

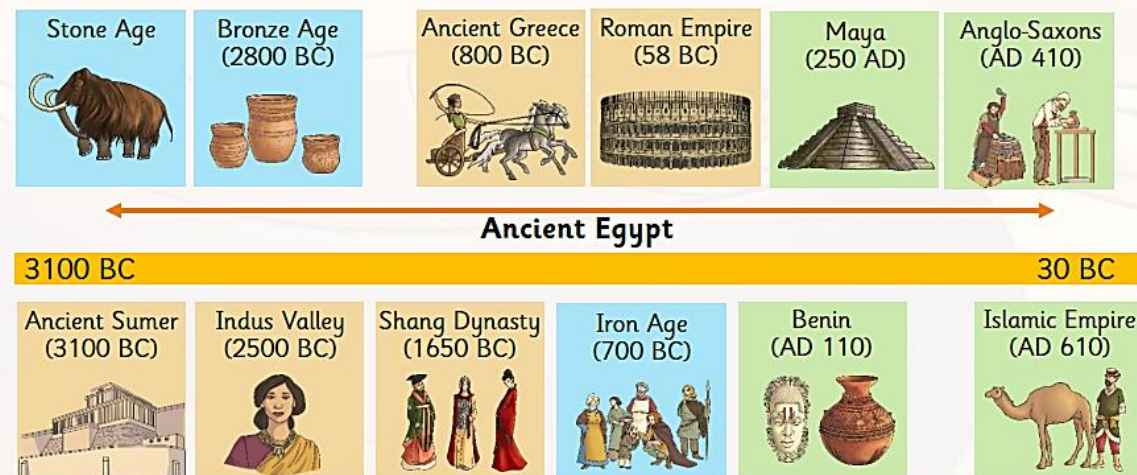


ANCIENT EGYPT

WHO WERE THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS?

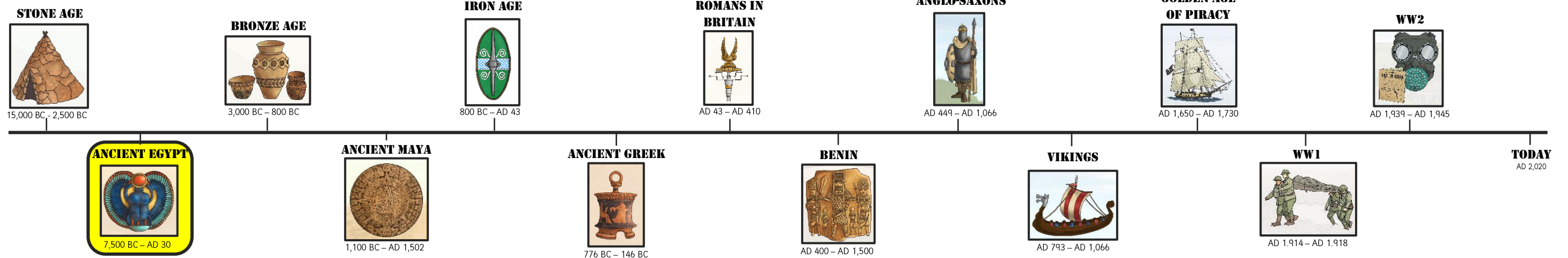
In 3100 BC, King Menes united two Egyptian kingdoms and built an empire that lasted until 30 BC, when the Romans took over by force.

What other periods of history do you know of that were before, during or after this time?



Key Vocabulary			
Ancient	Ancient means that something existed a long time ago in the past, or that it is really old.	Source	The source is where a river starts its journey and is usually found in the hills or mountains
Egypt	A country in North-East Africa near the Middle East	Minerals	A mineral is a solid chemical compound that occurs naturally in pure form.
BC/AD	BC is 'before Christ' was born. AD comes from the Latin 'Anno Domini' (In the year of Our Lord) and is after Jesus was born	Fertile	Fertile means producing or capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops.
Artefacts	An artefact is an object made by a human being, typically one of historical interest.	Burial	The action or practice of burying a body.
Wealth	Wealth is an abundance of valuable possessions or money or a plentiful supply of a particular desirable thing.	Amulets	An ornament or small piece of jewellery thought to give protection against every danger, or disease
Exhibit	To exhibit is to publicly display (a work of art or item of interest) in an art gallery or museum or at a trade fair.	Sarcophagus	A stone coffin, typically adorned with a sculpture or inscription and associated with the ancient civilizations of Egypt, Rome and Greece.
Nile	The Nile is a major north-flowing river in North-Eastern Africa, and is the longest river in Africa.	Hieroglyphs/Hieroglyphics	A stylized picture of an object representing a word, syllable or sound, as found in ancient Egyptian and certain other writing systems
		Pharaoh	A ruler in ancient Egypt.

HISTORY TIMELINE



THE RIVER NILE

The River Nile runs through Egypt. Most people live along and around it today.

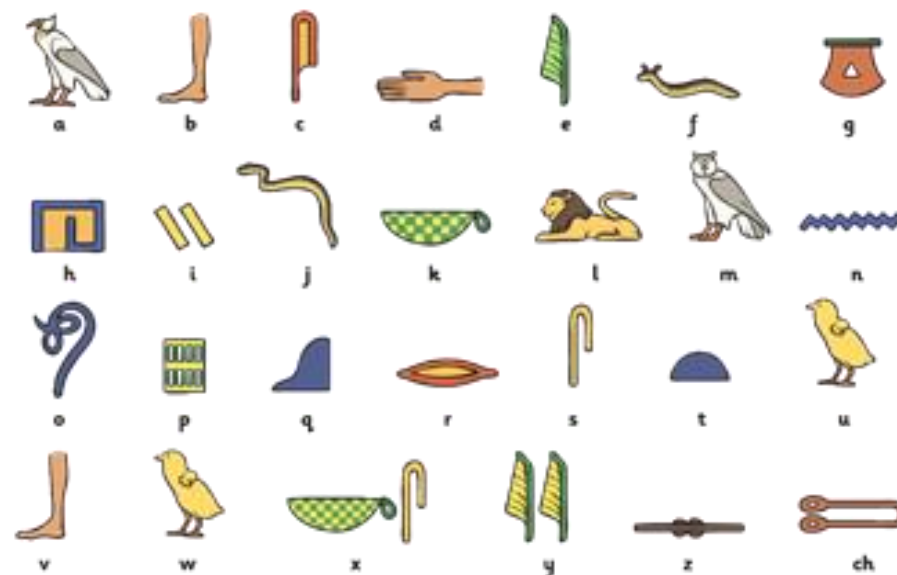
This was also the case in ancient times. This is because the land near the Nile is a place where crops can be grown. The rest of Egypt is desert.

The people of ancient Egypt depended on the Nile to survive.

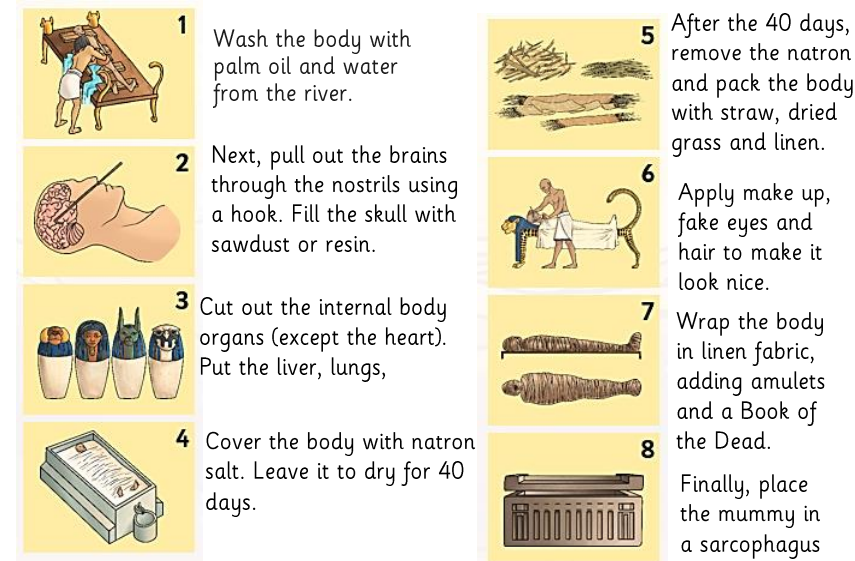


Life in ancient Egypt depended on a person's wealth (money) and education.

We find out information about ancient Egyptian people from the objects that they left behind.



HOW TO MAKE A MUMMY



TUTANKHAMUN

King Tutankhamun (King Tut for short!) became ruler of Ancient Egypt when he was just nine years old. The Boy King died just ten years later and he was buried in a golden coffin surrounded by 5,000 priceless treasures, including animal statues, jewellery, clothes, weapons and even toys. Some Egyptologists believe King Tut may have died in a chariot crash. But the cause of his death remains a mystery today! The tomb was found by British archaeologist Howard Carter in November 1922. Howard had spent many years excavating the tombs of Egyptian kings and queens when he came across a cup etched with the name of an obscure pharaoh – Tutankhamun.

WRITE LIKE AN EGYPTIAN

Hieroglyphs are an ancient Egyptian way of writing that uses pictures instead of letters

The word 'hieroglyph' means sacred (or special) carving. There are over 700 hieroglyphs.

They can be written from the top to the bottom of the page, or across the page just as we write.

The Egyptians wrote the names of their kings or queens inside an oval shape called a **cartouche**, to show that they were special.