

UNIT 1: ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS
Reading Guide 3: Egyptian Civilization

Directions: Answer each question below after reading.

2.2: Pyramids on the Nile

- **Objective A: Summarize the effect of geography on the development of Egyptian culture.**

1. The Nile River flows _____ miles, making it the _____ river in the world.
2. Yearly flooding brought _____ and _____
3. Silt =
4. Contrast the pros and cons of Egypt's deserts:

Negative effects of Egypt's deserts	Positive effects of Egypt's deserts
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forced Egyptians to live ... • Reduced ... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shut out ... • Spared Egypt from ...

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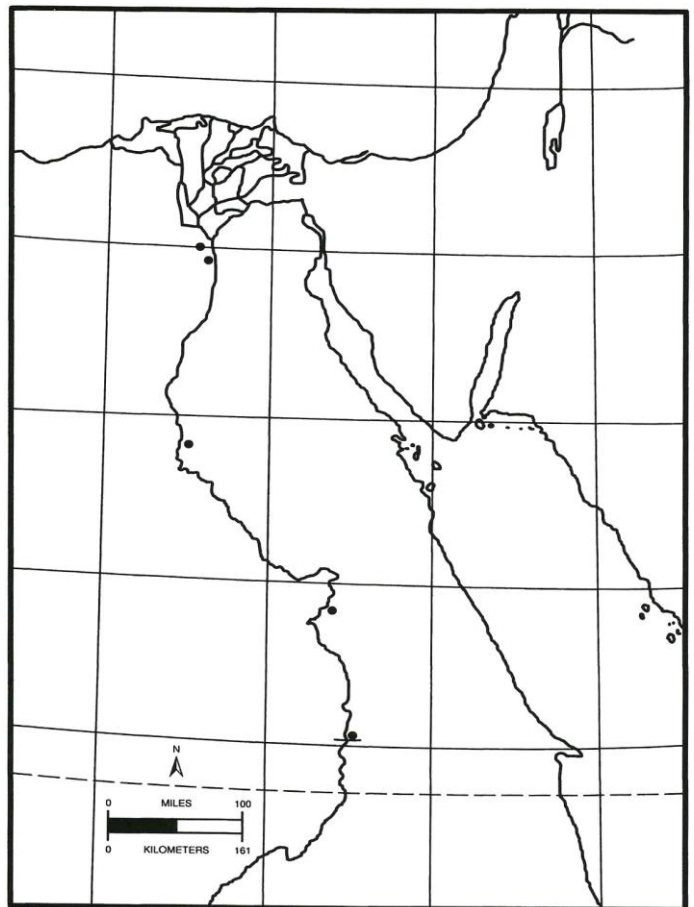
Boats traveled north by:	Boats traveled south by:
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6. Label on the map:

- a) LOWER EGYPT
- b) UPPER EGYPT
- c) NUBIA
- d) Memphis
- e) Thebes
- f) *Nile River*
- g) *Mediterranean Sea*
- h) *Red Sea*

- **Objective B: Explain how Egypt united into a kingdom.**

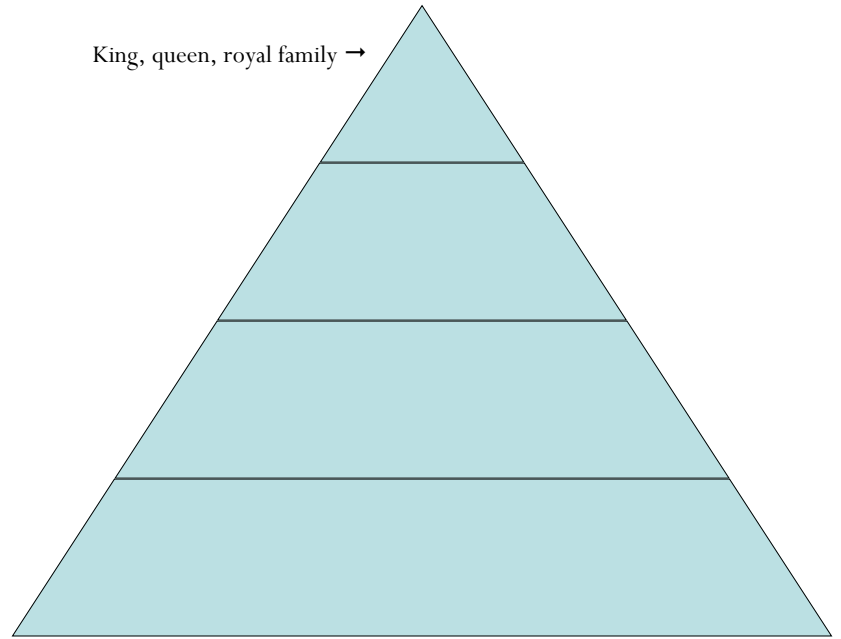
7. Egypt was unified around _____ BC.
8. Old Kingdom: _____ BC - _____ BC
9. Define *pharaoh*:
10. Define *theocracy*:
11. Why were the pyramids built?



Name: _____ Period: _____ Date: _____

• **Objective C: Describe ancient Egyptian religion, social structure, and technology.**

12. Complete the chart of Egyptian Society:



13. List examples of Egyptian technology:

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| a) | c) | e) | g) |
| b) | d) | f) | |

• **Objective E: Explain the decline of the Old Kingdom.**

14. Middle Kingdom: : _____ BC - _____ BC

4.1: The Egyptian and Nubian Empires

• **Objective A: Understand why the Hyksos were able to invade Egypt.**

15. What technology allowed the Hyksos to conquer Egypt? _____

• **Objective B: Identify key events in the history and decline of Egypt's New Kingdom.**

16. New Kingdom: _____ BC - _____ BC; Egypt was _____ and more _____ than ever before.

17. Contact with other cultures brought Egypt _____ as well as _____.

18. The New Kingdom fell due to invasions by _____ and _____.

19. Look at the photograph on p. 91. What similarities are there between this Egyptian monument and modern American monuments such as the Lincoln Memorial or Mount Rushmore?

• **Objective C: Describe the Kushite conquest of Egypt.**

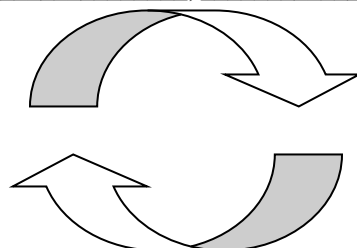
20. Kush linked _____ and the _____ to the interior of _____ and the _____.

• **Objective D: Summarize the achievements of Meroe.**

21. Meroe was active in trade between _____, _____, and _____.

22. Trade Goods Exported from Meroe:

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Trade Goods Imported into Meroe:

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