

**Ancient Egypt in a Glance****Geography**

Where was Egypt located?	Africa
What is Egypt's major geographic feature?	Nile River
What impact did the geography have on the people of Egypt?	Nile River flooded annually providing fertile soil and irrigation

**Government**

What type of government did Egypt have?	Theocracy – government based on religious authority
Who ruled in Egypt?	Pharaohs
How was power passed on?	Hereditary rulers

**Society & Education**

Describe the social organization of Egypt	Rigid social structure with some social mobility
Were there slaves in Egypt?	Yes
Who received an education in Egypt?	Scribes

## Religion

What type of religion did Egypt practice?	Polytheism = many gods
What did the Egyptians believe about the afterlife?	Believed in an afterlife, used mummification to preserve the body

## Economy

What was Egypt's economy based on?	Agriculture and trade
How were goods exchanged?	Barter system

## Written Language

What was the Egyptian writing system called?	Hieroglyphics
Who was able to read and write?	Scribes
What did the Egyptians write on?	Papyrus

## Achievements

What were some of the major achievements of Ancient Egypt?	Pyramids, Great Sphinx, mummification, calendar, irrigation systems, temples, dams, reservoirs, 365 day calendar
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