

Nile River Review

Week 2 • Friday • Showing What We Know

Reading Time

This week we sailed down the longest river in the world — the mighty Nile! We learned that ancient Egypt was in Africa, and that almost everyone lived close to the river's banks. The rest of Egypt was hot, dry desert.

Every year, the Nile flooded and left behind rich black mud called silt. Farmers grew wheat, barley, beans, and melons in this 'black land.' Egyptians sailed boats on the river, dug canals, and lifted water with a clever tool called a shaduf.

No wonder people say Egypt was 'the gift of the Nile.' Without the river, there would have been no farms, no boats, no cities — no ancient Egypt at all!

What We Learned This Week

- ✓ Ancient Egypt was in Africa, along the Nile River.
- ✓ The Nile is the longest river in the world.
- ✓ Yearly floods left rich silt for farming.
- ✓ Egyptians used boats, canals, and the shaduf.
- ✓ Egypt is called 'the gift of the Nile.'

True or False Quiz

Write T for true or F for false in each circle.

- ☐ The Nile is the longest river in the world.
- ☐ The Nile's flood was bad news for farmers.
- ☐ Silt is rich black mud that helps plants grow.
- ☐ Egyptians used a shaduf to lift water.
- ☐ Ancient Egypt was mostly green forest.
- ☐ Egyptians traveled the river by boat.

Fill in the Blanks

Nile silt desert boats Africa

1. Ancient Egypt was on the continent of _____.
2. The _____ River flowed through the middle of Egypt.
3. The flood left behind rich black mud called _____.
4. Away from the river, Egypt was hot, dry _____.
5. Egyptians traveled up and down the river in _____.

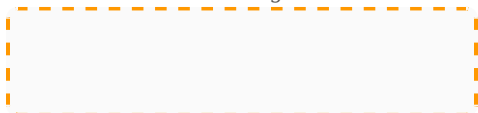
Show What You Know

1. Why is Egypt called 'the gift of the Nile'? Use your own words.

2. What was the most interesting thing you learned about the Nile this week?

Draw It!

Draw a scene of life along the Nile: include the river, a boat, crops, and a farmer.



Review

I can...	Circle one
Tell where ancient Egypt was	YES / NOT YET
Explain why the Nile flood helped farmers	YES / NOT YET
Name a tool Egyptians used	YES / NOT YET