

Hieroglyphics and Mummies Review

Week 4 • Friday • Showing What We Know

Reading Time

What a week of secrets and codes! We learned that Egyptians wrote with picture signs called hieroglyphics — more than 700 of them! Only trained scribes could read and write. They wrote on papyrus, the world's first paper.

For hundreds of years, nobody could read hieroglyphics. Then the Rosetta Stone was found in 1799 with the same message in three scripts. Champollion used the Greek writing to crack the code in 1822!

We also learned about mummies. Egyptians dried bodies with natron, wrapped them in linen with amulets, and placed them in a sarcophagus — all to keep the body safe for the afterlife. Mummies still teach scientists about ancient life today.

What We Learned This Week

- ✓ Hieroglyphics were Egypt's picture writing.
- ✓ Scribes were trained writers.
- ✓ The Rosetta Stone helped crack the code.
- ✓ Mummies were made for the afterlife.
- ✓ Emojis are our own picture writing today!

True or False Quiz

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

- ☐ Hieroglyphics were picture signs.
- ☐ Scribes learned to write in just one day.
- ☐ The Rosetta Stone had the same message in three scripts.
- ☐ Champollion cracked the hieroglyphic code.
- ☐ Making a mummy took about 70 days.
- ☐ A sarcophagus is a kind of sandwich.

Fill in the Blanks

scribe papyrus mummy Rosetta afterlife

1. A _____ was a trained writer in ancient Egypt.
2. Egyptians made paper from a plant called _____.
3. The _____ Stone helped people read hieroglyphics again.
4. A _____ is a body dried and wrapped to last a long time.
5. Egyptians believed in a life after death called the _____.

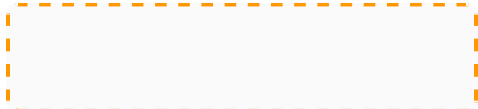
Show What You Know

1. Explain how the Rosetta Stone helped historians. Use your own words.

2. What was the most amazing thing you learned this week? Why?

Draw It!

Draw a tomb wall covered in hieroglyphics, with a mummy in its sarcophagus.



Review

I can...	Circle one
Tell what hieroglyphics are	YES / NOT YET
Explain why the Rosetta Stone mattered	YES / NOT YET
Describe how mummies were made	YES / NOT YET