

# Knowledge Organiser – Tomb Raiders

## Introduction

- Egypt is located in the continent of Africa
- archeologists and historians have spent years analysing artefacts and evidence from this era
- 3150 BC – 322 BC



## Nile

- flows through the desert and then ends in what is called a 'delta'
- 6,853 km long
- flows through the majority of northeastern Africa
- used to transport items
- helped develop civilisation
- shadufs were used to collect water
- physical geographical feature
- flooded the land in flooding season and made the soil rich
- reeds called papyrus grew along the banks of the river



## Pyramids

- pyramids were built by hand
- constructed as burial chambers for important people
- over 130 discovered in Egypt
- bodies in the pyramids were preserved by mummification
- most pyramids are located on the west bank of the Nile
- historians think that they were built using pulley systems



## Tutankhamun's Tomb

- discovered by Howard Carter in 1922
- archeologists had searched for years previously and many had given up
- golden effigies, chariots, board games and over 3000 treasures were found inside
- walls told the story of his journey to the afterlife
- located in the Valley of the Kings
- took 10 years to catalogue the contents of the tomb



## Religion and Gods

- the ancient people of Egypt followed many different Gods like Seth, Isis, Anubis, Nu, Re and Osiris
- gods were often represented by animals such as lions, cats, rams and crocodiles
- when the Pharaoh died, Egyptians believed he would become a god.
- local villages often chose to be represented by one God



## Vocabulary

Egyptian	excavation
ancient	discovered
civilization	continent
population	artefacts
Tutankhamun	historians
pyramid	tomb
archeologist	pharaoh
religion	believed