

SHORT ANSWER

Take 10 minutes to answer these questions.

1. Name one way in which the Nile directly caused the advance of Egyptian civilization.
2. What was the “Black Land”?
3. List the four classifications that can be used to categorize the levels of complexity of any given society.
4. Which of these classifications is the most complex, and why?
5. True or False: The floods of the Nile were perfectly predictable.
6. What sort of people mined the precious minerals of Egypt?
7. Name at least one people group with whom the Egyptians traded.
8. During which part of the year, approximately, did the Nile flood?
9. Name one way that technology played a role in the development of advanced societies.
10. How can you account for rapid advancements in civilization?

ESSAY QUESTION

Take 20 minutes to answer one of these questions.

1. “Ancient Egypt would not have been the mighty civilization it was without its unique geography.” Assess the validity of this statement in three well-structured paragraphs.
2. Egypt has been called the “Gift of the Nile.” Describe how the Nile shaped Egyptian farming and trade.

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1. What were the two kingdoms of Egypt called?
2. Name one way that the geography of Egypt affected its cultural development.
3. During which Kingdom (Old, Middle, or New) were the Great Pyramids built?
4. What is a *mastaba*?
5. What is the “Valley of Kings”?
6. What was the Egyptians’ concept of judgment after death?
7. How were pyramids seen as national monuments?
8. How did the Egyptians’ beliefs about their pharaohs help bolster the pharaohs’ power as rulers?
9. True or False: Mizraim was the first pharaoh to unite the two kingdoms of Egypt.
10. True or False: Akhenaten (previously called Amenhotep) instituted the worship of multiple gods during his reign as pharaoh.

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1. Compare and contrast Egyptian beliefs about the afterlife with biblical ones. What do both say about life after death, the basis on which the dead are judged and admitted to a happy afterlife, and the physical connections between earthly life and the afterlife?
2. Pharaohs erected pyramids for reasons beyond simple self-aggrandizement. In structured paragraphs, support this statement by giving three distinct goals pharaohs had for pyramid construction. For each goal, give details about the pharaohs’ situation or cultural mindset (why did they have this goal?) and assess whether the pharaohs were successful in meeting their goals.

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1. True or False: All the Egyptian gods were part of one family descended from Ra.
2. True or False: Egyptians believed that the first god created himself in the beginning.
3. Name four of the major gods of Egypt.
4. Egyptian idols were often pictured as animal-human combinations. Name one of these.
5. Name two ways in which the gods of Egyptian mythology are similar to humans.
6. How were Egyptian pharaohs thought to be related to the gods?
7. The Egyptians described the creation of the world in various myths. Summarize one of them.
8. In the myth of Osiris, who kills Osiris and why?
9. Name two of the plagues that judged a specific Egyptian god or goddess, along with the god or goddess so judged.
10. What was the societal significance of the tenth plague?

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1. “Egyptian ‘gods’ were human creations; only Yahweh is divine.” Support this statement by comparing and contrasting the respective characters, recorded actions (in mythology or the Bible), and relationships to mankind of Egyptian gods and Yahweh.
2. “In the Ten Plagues, Yahweh demonstrated His superiority over the Egyptian deities.” Support this statement by describing three specific plagues.