

Geography

- Nile River – Flows North
- The Delta – Rich Soil
- Cataracts - Rapids
- Upper Egypt
- Lower Egypt
- Sinai Peninsula – connected Africa to Asia (Mesopotamia)
- Sahara – Barrier to the West
- Thebes – last capital of Egypt



Religion

- Pharaoh – god-king
- Pyramids – tombs for the Pharaohs
- Book of the Dead – guides souls through Afterlife

Nubia

- Kingdom in Upper Nile Region
- Also known as the Kush
- Thriving Trade - Trading partner to Egypt
- Will be **ruled by** and will **rule over** Egypt
- Capital Meröe – Known for Iron deposits & production

Ancient River Valley Civilizations Egypt

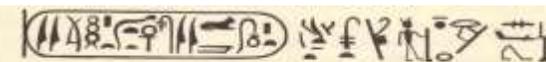
People

Kingdoms & Government



- Menes/Narmer
 - Unites Upper & Lower Egypt
- Ahmose
 - Queen who defeats Hyksos
- Hatshepsut
 - Queen who proclaims herself Pharaoh
- Thutmose III
 - Egypt's 1st Empire
- Amenhotep IV
 - One god – Aton
 - Changes name – Akhenaton
 - Queen Nefertiti

- History
 - **Hieroglyphs** record history
 - Old Kingdom
 - Pyramid Age
 - Middle Kingdom
 - Transitional period
 - New Kingdom
 - Age of Pharaohs
- Government
 - **Theocracy** – Ruler is political & religious leader



From the Rosetta stone. The writing is from right to left. The few words here shown mean: "Raising a statue of the king of Egypt, Ptahomy eternal beloved of Ptah."