


## GEOGRAPHY OF EGYPT

 <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; margin-top: 10px;">ANCIENT EGYPT</p>	<p><b>Complete the map of Ancient Egypt:</b></p> <p><b>Colour:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Blue for seas and the river Nile</li> <li>- Yellow for desert land</li> <li>- Green for fertile land</li> </ul> <p><b>Locate on the map:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Menphis and Thebes</li> <li>-The Mediterranean sea</li> <li>-The Red Sea</li> <li>-The Nile</li> <li>-Upper Egypt</li> <li>-Lower Egypt</li> <li>-The Giza and Saqqara pyramids</li> </ul>
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## EGYPTIAN RELIGIOUS BELIEFS

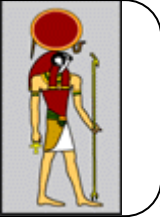
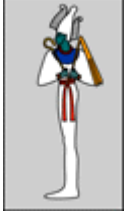




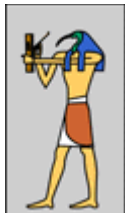

The Egyptians are polytheistic: they believe in many gods. The principal god is the Sun, called Ra, Amun or Atum. Other important gods are Isis, Osiris and Horus. Each god had a temple, where a group of priests made offerings to its statue.

Some gods and goddesses are identified with particular animals. There is often a connection between the god or goddess and the actions of the animal. For example, the goddess of war has the head of a lioness to show that she is ferocious.

Egyptians believe that the pharaohs are gods. Nobody can look at the pharaoh in the eye or touch his body. They believe that the pharaohs have magical powers. The pharaoh is all-powerful. He passes laws, rules the country, owns most of land, controls trade and leads the armies.

Egyptians believe there is an afterlife, so the dead body has to be preserved. It is made a mummy, which is put in a sarcophagus. The tombs contain the things which are necessary in the afterlife, such as food, jewels or statues of servants.

**MATCH THE EGYPTIANS GODS AND GODDESS:**

<b>Ra</b>		The protector of the ruler of Egypt.	She is the wife of Osiris and the mother of Horus. Her symbol is a throne.
<b>Osiris</b>		The sun god	Man with a jackal head
<b>Isis</b>		The god of the desert and the chaos	Man with head of a falcon. He is the son of Isis and Osiris of a falcon.
<b>Horus</b>		The god of the dead	Man with a sun disk. He is the most important god of the ancient Egyptians
<b>Seth</b>		A protective goddess of the dead.	Man with the head of an ibis.
<b>Anubis</b>		A protective goddess, the nature goddess.	The brother and husband of Isis, and the brother of Nephthys and Seth. He is also the father of Horus.
<b>Thoth</b>		The god of embalming and the dead, guardian of tombs and pyramids.	She is the sister of Isis and Osiris, and the sister/wife of Seth. She is also the mother of Anubis.
<b>Nephthys</b>		The god of writing and knowledge	He is the brother of Osiris and Isis, as well as the brother/husband of Nephthys. He murdered his brother Osiris

## SOLUTIONS:

**Ra** is the sun god. He is the most important god of the ancient Egyptians. Appearance: Man with a sun disk.

**Osiris** is the god of the dead. Osiris is the brother and husband of Isis, and the brother of Nephthys and Seth. He is also the father of Horus.

**Isis** is the wife of Osiris and the mother of Horus. Isis is a protective goddess. Her symbol is a throne. She use powerful magic to help people in need

**Horus** is the son of Isis and Osiris. He is the protector of the ruler of Egypt. Appearance: Man with head of a falcon. After Osiris was murdered by his brother Seth, Horus fought with Seth for the throne of Egypt. In this battle, Horus lost one of his eyes. The eye became a symbol of protection for the ancient Egyptians.

**Seth** is the god of the desert and the chaos. He is the brother of Osiris and Isis, as well as the brother/husband of Nephthys. He murdered his brother Osiris

**Nephthys** is a protective goddess of the dead. Nephthys is the sister of Isis and Osiris, and the sister/wife of Seth. Nephthys is also the mother of Anubis.

**Anubis** is the god of embalming and the dead, guardian of tombs and pyramids. Appearance: Man with a jackal head

**Thoth** is the god of writing and knowledge. Appearance: a man with the head of an ibis. The ancient Egyptians believed that Thoth gave them the gift of hieroglyphic writing

## Activities on-line:

In this page you can explore the different Egyptian gods and goddesses  
<http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/gods/explore/main.html>  
<http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/gods/home.html>

Virtual visit of the British Museum (about the challenge):  
<http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/gods/activity/main.html>

Different maps about Egypt  
<http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/geography/explore/arch.html>

Explore a pyramid: <http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/pyramids/explore/main.html>

How BIG is the Great Pyramid? Games:  
<http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/pyramids/activity/main.html>

Games: Explore the temple to find out its parts:  
<http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/temples/explore/main.html>

Games: Challenge: Count the offerings  
<http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/temples/activity/main.html>