

HIEROGLYPHS AND SCRIBES

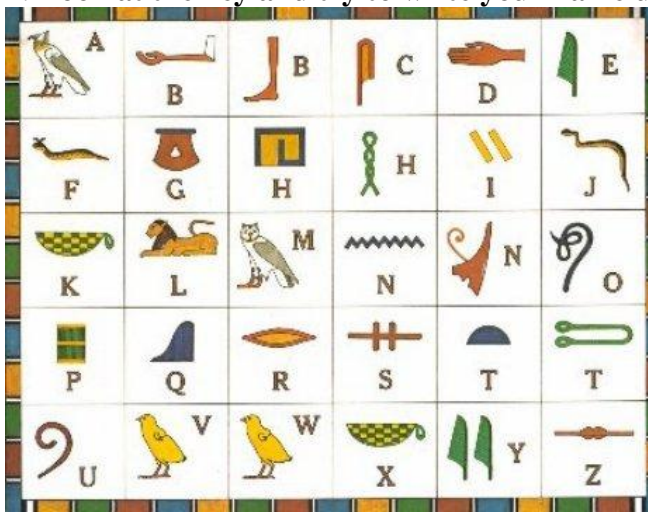
Scribes are people in ancient Egypt (usually men) who learned to read and write.

To become a scribe, you had to attend a special school for scribes. At this school you would learn how to read and write hieroglyphic. This was hard work. This writing was complicated, and there were many signs to learn. Scribes usually wrote on papyrus.

The Egyptian writing is the hieroglyphs. **Hieroglyphs** were created 5.000 years ago. Some hieroglyphic signs represent an idea while others represent a sound. Egyptians could write horizontally, vertically, from left to right or from right to left.

Activities:

1. Look at the key and try to write your name using Egyptian characters:



2. Write these ideas using hieroglyphs:

- god:

- pharaoh:

- tomb:

-scribe:

3. True or false:

- The Egyptians are polytheists.
- The Egypt temple is the Ziggurat.
- The Egyptian writing is cuneiform.
- Small statues, jewels and other treasures are placed in the tombs of important people.
- All Egyptian people go to the temple for visiting the god statue.
- The hieroglyphs are letters and drawings.
- The Egyptians believe in the afterlife.