Knowledge Organiser

Subject: History Main Learning: Civilizations – Ancient Egypt

Key knowledge	
Know that there were several advanced civilizations on Earth around 3000 years ago	Date completed
Know what was happening in Britain when the Ancient Egyptians were at their most powerful	
Understand how archaeologists have helped us know what happened in Ancient Egypt, Ancient Sumer, the Indus Valley and the Shan Dynasty many years ago	
Know how the Ancient Egyptians were influenced by the Gods	
Know how the powerful Egyptians create a culture of slavery	

Vocabulary	
pharaohs	Originally meant 'great house', but came to mean the person who resided in it
pyramid	A geometrical term that refers to part of the burial complexes for Egyptian pharaohs
hier og lyphs	Refers to the fact that it is carving for sacred things, but hieroglyphs were also written on papyrus
vizier	The most powerful position after the king. A vizier was the equivalent of a modern day prime minister.
sarcophagus	Sarcophagus is a Greek word meaning flesh-eating and refers to the mummy case
papyrus	An Egyptian plant whose reeds are slit and placed in layers in order to form paper











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