

Project Passport History Based Activity Study:

ANCIENT EGYPT

Scope and Sequence

Grades: 3rd – 8th

Ancient Egypt offers an in-depth, hands-on view of the history of the ancient land of Egypt nestled along the Nile River with its impressive pyramids and temples, peaceful people, and conquering pharaohs. Students investigate the everyday life of the Egyptians, learn about their ancient social classes, family life, what they ate, what they wore, where they lived, etc. They will also learn about ancient Egyptian art, music, literature, science, medicine, architecture, government, religion, and much more. In addition, studies will include the chronological history of the pharaohs, from its shady beginnings under the half-mythical pharaoh Menes to its conquest by the Greeks and Romans. The unit is designed to teach students through kinesthetic means, utilizing the senses and motor skills. Where younger students may need more guidance and assistance with the projects, older students should be able to handle the majority of the unit independently. Each lesson contains text and a generous amount of projects providing flexibility of choice to fit each range of grade levels. This is done with the understanding that not all of the projects are required to be completed, a factor that varies with each situation and is also heavily influenced by the age of the students. One lesson also does not necessarily constitute one day — although many can be done in a day, projects chosen will determine the length of each lesson. In addition, a series of dramatized audio tours are included that take the students on a boat trip up the Nile, into an embalmer's workshop, through the busy streets of the short lived capital of Akhetaton, into Goshen during the Exodus, as well as a number of other locations and events. Finally, there is an additional resource list of books, videos, and audio to add to the study if desired.

Key:

- Italics indicates title for a text lesson in the unit
- Asterisk indicates a project
- Parentheses contains number of the lesson it can be found in

I. History / Social Studies (Cultural Studies)

- a. "Snapshot Moments in History" Timeline (1-5,7-8,10-12,14-22,25)
- b. *Laying the Foundation – Part I* (1)
 - i. Creation and the first men (1)
 - ii. Catastrophism vs. Uniformitarianism (1)
 - iii. The spread of civilization (1)
- c. *Laying the Foundation – Part II* (2)
 - i. The Nile (2)
 - ii. Ancient Egypt's relation with and dependence on the Nile (2)
 - iii. Ancient Egypt's first settlers (2)
 - iv. The Unification of Upper and Lower Egypt (2)*
 - v. "Touring Down the Nile" – Audio Tour (2)
- d. Every Day Life in Ancient Egypt (3-5)
 - i. *Every Day Life – Part I* (3)
 1. Clothing (3)
 2. Food (3)
 3. Homes and living spaces (3)
 4. Souvenir Craft Card: "Dress Like an Egyptian!" [Girl] (3)*
 5. Souvenir Craft Card: "Dress Like an Egyptian!" [Boy] (3)*
 6. Making Mud Bricks (3)*

7. Dining Out Guide (3)*
8. What Did Egyptians Wear? (3)*
- ii. *Every Day Life – Part II* (4)
 1. The Ancient Egyptian social structure (4)
 2. Family (4)
 3. Jobs and careers (4)
 4. Entertainment (4)
 5. The Social Pyramid of Egyptian Authority (4)*
 6. Jobs in Ancient Egypt (4)*
 7. Play the Game of Senet (4)*
- iii. *Every Day Life – Part III* (5)
 1. Burial methods (5)
 - a. Graves (5)
 - b. Pyramids (5)
 - c. Tombs (5)
 - i. The Valley of the Kings (5)
 2. Mummies (5)
 3. Egyptian Mummies (5)*
 4. Funerals (5)
 - a. Sarcophagi (5)
 5. Souvenir Craft Card: “Make a Mummy & Sarcophagus” (5)*
 6. Souvenir Craft Card: “Make Canopic Jars” (5)*
 7. “Interview with an Embalmer” – Audio Tour (5)
- iv. *Agriculture, Trade, and Transportation* (6)
 1. Farming (6)
 2. Trade (6)
 3. Transportation (6)
 4. Souvenir Craft Card: “Make a Reed Boat” (6)*
- v. *Education* (7)
 1. Scribes (7)
 2. Going to school (7)
 3. Papyrus, Pens, Ink (7)
 4. Souvenir Craft Card: “Make a ‘Papyrus’ Scroll” (7)*
- vi. *Literature and Writing* (8)
 1. The Rosetta Stone (8)
 - a. Jean Francois Champollion (8)
 - b. Thomas Young (8)
 2. The Rosetta Stone and Hieroglyphs (8)*
 3. Hieroglyphics (8)
 4. Ancient Egyptian writings (8)
 5. Souvenir Craft Card: “Make a Cartouche” (8)*
 6. “Visiting a Temple School” – Audio Tour (8)
- vii. *The Sciences* (9)
 1. Science in ancient Egypt (9)
 2. Mathematics (9)
 3. Egyptian Numbers and Measures (9)*
 4. Astronomy (9)
 5. The Egyptian Calendar (9)
 6. The Egyptian Calendar (9)*
- viii. *Medicine and Disease* (10)
 1. Different kinds of ancient Egyptian medicine (10)
 2. Medicine vs. superstition (10)

3. The Ebers Papyrus (10)*
4. Hygiene (10)
- ix. *Ancient Egyptian Art* (11)
 1. The history of art in ancient Egypt (11)
 2. Sculpture (11)
 3. Reliefs (11)
 4. Painting (11)
 5. Draw Like an Egyptian (11)*
 6. Music (11)
- x. *The Great Builders* (12)
 1. How the ancient Egyptians built things (12)
 2. The pyramids (12)
 - a. Famous pyramids (12)
 - b. How pyramids were built (12)
 3. Souvenir Craft Card: "Making a Step Pyramid" (12)*
 4. Flip Book for How to Get the Sarcophagus into the Burial Chamber (12)*
 5. Pyramid Facts (12)*
 6. "Building a Pyramid" – Audio Tour (12)
 7. Temples (12)
 8. The Valley of Kings and Valley of Queens (12)
 - a. Tomb building (12)
- xi. *What They Believed* (13)
 1. Animal worship (13)
 2. Creation and the afterlife (13)
 3. The Weighing of the Heart (13)*
 4. The "gods" (13)
 5. The Ten Plagues of Egypt (13)*
 6. Temples and priests (13)
 7. Diorama of an Egyptian Temple (13)*
- xii. *The Government* (14)
 1. The pharaohs (14)
 2. The viziers, mayors, and nomarchs (14)
 3. Scribes and officials (14)
 4. Priests (14)
 5. Hierarchy of Egyptian Government (14)*
 6. Souvenir Craft Card: "Make a Shaduf" (14)*
- xiii. *The First Dynasties* (15)
 1. Predynastic Egypt (15)
 2. The Early Dynastic Period (15)
 3. The Old Kingdom (15)
 4. The Nomes of Ancient Egypt (15)*
 5. Manetho (15)*
 6. "Interview with Imhotep" – Audio Tour (15)
- xiv. *From Chaos to Order and Back Again to Chaos* (16)
 1. The First Intermediate Period (16)
 2. The Middle Kingdom (16)
 3. Vocabulary Matching Cards (16)*
- xv. *A Land Divided* (17)
 1. The Second Intermediate Period (17)
 2. The Hyksos invasion (17)
 3. The Hyksos pharaohs (17)
 4. Souvenir Craft Card: "Make a Hyksos Chariot" (17)*

5. The Native Egyptian pharaohs of the 17th dynasty (17)
6. New Kingdom Conquests (17)*
7. Egyptian Weapons & Warfare (17)*
8. “Hyksos Delays” – Audio Tour (17)
- xvi. *The New Kingdom Begins* (18)
 1. The expulsion of the Hyksos (18)
 2. The first pharaohs of the 18th dynasty (18)
 - a. Ahmose (18)
 - b. Amenhotep I (18)
 - c. Thutmose I (18)
 3. Pharaohs of the 18th Dynasty (18-21)*
 4. The Recording of History (18)*
- xvii. *Egypt’s Most Famous Woman* (19)
 1. Hatshepsut (19)
 2. Hatshepsut and Thutmose III’s relationship (19)
 3. The reign of Hatshepsut (19)
 - a. The construction of the temple at Deir el-Bahri (19)
 - b. The famous expedition to Punt (19)
 4. Souvenir Craft Card: “Dress Like a Pharaoh!” (19)*
- xviii. *The Conquering Pharaoh* (20)
 1. Thutmose III becomes sole ruler (20)
 2. Reign and campaigns of Thutmose III (20)
 3. From Thutmose III to Amenhotep IV (20)
 - a. Amenhotep II (20)
 - b. Thutmose IV (20)
 - c. Amenhotep III (20)
- xix. *Akhenaton and Tutankhamen* (21)
 1. Akhenaton (Amenhotep IV) (21)
 2. Aton, the Sun Disc (21)
 3. Akhenaton’s attempt to revolutionize ancient Egypt’s religion (21)
 4. Nefertiti, wife of Akhenaton (21)
 5. The Amarna Letters (21)
 6. The Amarna Letters (21)*
 7. “A Visit with Akhenaton” – Audio Tour (21)
 8. Tutankhamen (King Tut) and the end of the 18th dynasty (21)
 9. Souvenir Craft Card: “Sculpt Some Artifacts!” (21)*
- xx. *Egypt Fades Away* (22)
 1. The Ramesside Period (19th and 20th dynasties) (22)
 - a. Seti I (22)
 - b. Rameses II (22)
 - i. The Battle of Kadesh (22)
 2. The Ramesside Period (22)*
 3. The Battle of Kadesh (22)*
 4. The Third Intermediate Period (22)
 - a. The Tanite Pharaohs (22)
 - b. Shoshenq I (22)
 5. The Late Period (22)
 - a. The Kushite pharaohs (22)
 - b. The Assyrian invasions (22)
 - c. The Battle of Carchemish (22)
 - d. The Persian invasions (22)
 - e. Nectanebo II (The last *true* Egyptian pharaoh) (22)

- f. Alexander III (the Great) conquers Egypt (22)
 - g. The Ptolemaic period (22)
 - i. Cleopatra VII (22)
 - xxi. *Ancient Egypt and the Bible* (23)
 - 1. Traditional Chronology vs. the New (Biblical) Chronology (23)
 - 2. The Chronology Debate (23)*
 - 3. Manetho (23)
 - 4. James Ussher (23)
 - 5. Where Egypt and the Bible cross paths and how the Traditional and New Chronologies compare (23)
 - a. Abraham (23)
 - b. Joseph (23)
 - c. The Exodus (23)
 - d. The Queen of Sheba (23)
 - e. Shishak (23)
 - 6. Fitting Egypt into the Bible (23)*
 - 7. “The Exodus” – Audio Tour (23)
 - xxii. *Bringing Back the Past* (24)
 - 1. The history of Egypt from the Roman Empire to the 19th Century (24)
 - a. Athanasius Kircher (24)
 - b. Napoleonic invasion in 1798 A.D. (24)
 - 2. Egyptology (24)
 - a. August Mariette (24)
 - b. Heinrich Brugsch (24)
 - c. James Breasted (24)
 - d. Flinders Petrie (24)
 - 3. The Narmer Palette (24)*
 - 4. King Tut’s Tomb (24)
 - a. Howard Carter (24)
 - 5. Discover Ancient Egypt: Do an Archaeological Dig! (24)*
 - 6. File Folder Game: “Tomb Dash!” (24)*
 - xxiii. *Final Stop – Packing Up!*

II. Language

- a. Creative Writing
 - i. “The Kemet Chronicle” Newspaper (2-8,10-12,14-25)*
 - ii. “Wish You Were Here” Postcard Greetings (1-2,5,8,12,15-19,21-25)*
- b. Reading
 - i. (*Lesson texts*)
 - ii. Additional reading from Suggested Reading List – Optional
- c. Languages and Terminology
 - i. Souvenir Craft Card: “Make a Cartouche” (8)*
 - ii. The Rosetta Stone & Hieroglyphs (8)*
 - iii. Egyptian Numbers and Measures (9)*
 - iv. The Egyptian Calendar (9)*

- v. Vocabulary Matching Cards (16)*
 - 1. File Folder Game: "Tomb Dash!" (24)*

III. Geography

- a. Mapping Upper & Lower Egypt (1-2, 12-13,16-17,21-23)*
- b. The Nomes of Ancient Egypt (15)*
- c. New Kingdom Conquests (17)*

IV. The Arts

- a. Lapbook (Created throughout study and assembled in Lesson 25)
- b. Souvenir Craft Card: "Dress Like an Egyptian!" [Girl] (3)*
- c. Souvenir Craft Card: "Dress Like an Egyptian!" [Boy] (3)*
- d. Souvenir Craft Card: "Make a Mummy & Sarcophagus" (5)*
- e. Souvenir Craft Card: "Make Canopic Jars" (5)*
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