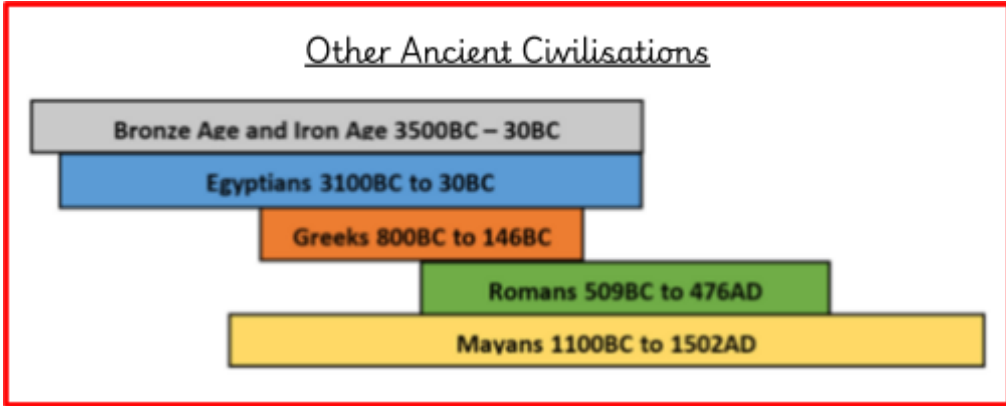
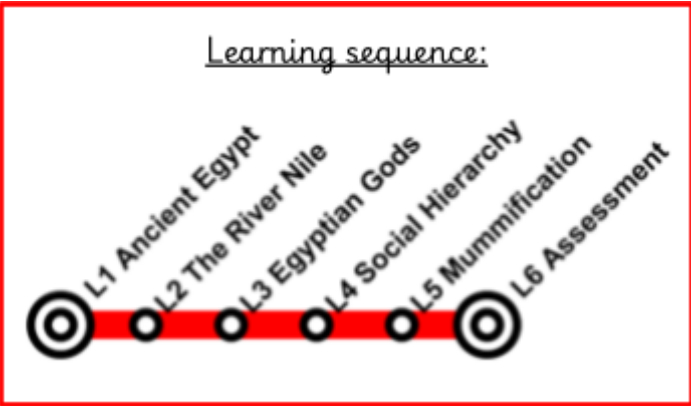




History Knowledge Organiser - Ancient Egyptians

'What was the Ancient civilisation of the Egyptians like?'

Skills: Chronological Understanding, Historical Knowledge, Interpretations of History, Historical Enquiry



Key Vocabulary:

Pharaoh - the ruler of Egypt. They were seen as living gods.

Pyramid - a huge structure built as tombs for the pharaohs.

Mummification - preparing a body for the journey to the afterlife.

Gods and Goddesses of Ancient Egypt

The ancient Egyptians worshipped many gods and goddesses who were responsible for different aspects of life and death.

Horus	God of the sky. The ancient Egyptians believed a pharaoh was a god-like living version of Horus.
Thoth	God of wisdom. He is believed to have invented hieroglyphics and kept a record of all knowledge.
Ma'at	Goddess of truth. Pharaohs promised to follow Ma'at and be fair and honest.
Osiris	God of the dead.
Anubis	God of mummification. He weighed the hearts of the dead against Ma'at's feather. If the heart was lighter, the person could pass to the afterlife.

How was Egyptian society structured?



Sarcophagus - the coffin that mummies were placed in.

Irrigation - transporting water from a river to other locations.

Hieroglyphics - the Egyptian written language which used pictures.

The Ancient Egyptian Empire

Around 3000 BC, King Menes united two Egyptian kingdoms to build the empire of ancient Egypt. It lasted until 30 BC when the Romans took over. Life revolved around the Nile, it was used for water, transport, fishing and enriched the soil to make it fertile for crops.