

Egyptian Religion

SECTION 3

Introduction

- Believed in afterlife (_____)
- Pharaohs bodies were preserved as _____ - wrapped in linens- 100 days after death
- Then buried in royal tomb and sealed

Egyptian Gods and Goddesses

- Regional Differences
 - Early- towns and villages had their own gods- humans with animal heads
 - All had principal gods- sun god, _____ - falcon god, _____
 - Later, all Egyptians believed in several groups of gods

Egyptian Gods and Goddesses

- Important Gods

- _____ - chief god- protected rich and poor
 - _____ in sunrise, _____ in sunset- desert was home of the dead
- _____ - god of living and dead
- _____ - Osiris' wife- great mother
- _____ - sky god- son of Osiris and Isis

Belief in an Afterlife

- Journey to the Afterlife
 - Rode in _____
 - If lived a good life- joined Osiris in heaven-like place- buried with food and treasures for afterlife
 - Old Kingdom- afterlife only for kings and associates
 - Middle Kingdom- all thought to experience afterlife

Belief in an Afterlife

- Preparing the Dead
 - Before pyramids- buried in _____
 - Dry environment created mummies
(_____)

 - Spirit would leave mummy but return to receive food offerings
 - By Fourth Dynasty- artificial mummification
 - Expensive- 2-3 months- organs removed, body filled with salt, sat for 40 days
 - Once dried, cleaned with spices and wrapped in linens
 - Three or four coffins- one inside the other

The Pharaohs' Tombs

- The Pyramids

- Built during 4th Dynasty- almost all during Old Kingdom

- Largest is Great Pyramid- for _____
(2nd king, 4th dynasty)- built in Giza

The Pharaohs' Tombs

- The Building Process
 - GP- 2 million stones- each about 5k pounds
 - Pyramids could take >20 years to build
 - Always on the _____ of the Nile- why?
 - Set square- each side faced a cardinal direction
 - Inner stones came from local quarries
 - Outer stones from further- often Nubia
 - Loaded on _____ and moved down river

The Pharaohs' Tombs

- Teamwork
 - Used sleds, wooden rollers, and levers to move stones up
 - Dragged/pushed up _____
 - Workers often were killed by falling stones
 - Thought to be local _____, not slaves