

# Fun Facts About Ancient Egypt!

**THE PYRAMID OF KHUFU AT GIZA IS THE LARGEST EGYPTIAN PYRAMID.**

**TO DATE, OVER 130 PYRAMIDS HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED IN EGYPT. THEY WERE BUILT AS TOMBS FOR THE PHARAOHS AND SEEN AS STAIRWAYS TO THE STARS.**



**THE AFTERLIFE WAS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT TO THE EGYPTIANS. THEY BELIEVED THAT BY PRESERVING A DEAD PERSON'S BODY - WHICH THEY DID THROUGH THE PROCESS OF MUMMIFICATION - THEIR SOUL WOULD LIVE ON IN THE AFTER-LIFE FOREVER.**



**EGYPTIAN MEN AND WOMEN WORE MAKE-UP! THE EGYPTIANS BELIEVED MAKE-UP HAD MAGICAL HEALING POWERS AND IT STOPPED THEM GETTING SUNBURNT!**



**THE EGYPTIAN ALPHABET CONTAINED MORE THAN 700 HIEROGLYPHS!**

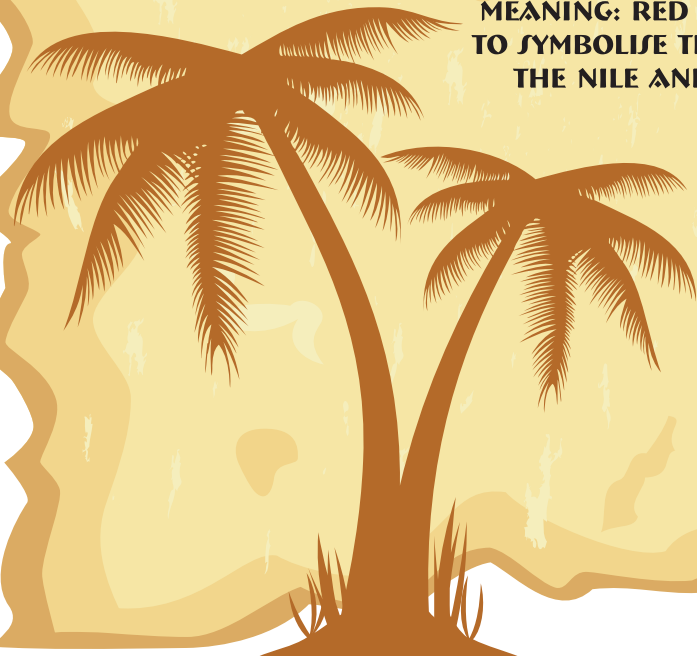


**CATS WERE A SACRED ANIMAL FOR THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS, WHICH THEY BELIEVED WOULD BRING GOOD LUCK!**

**THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS INVENTED LOTS OF THINGS WE STILL USE TODAY ... PAPER, PENS AND TOOTHPASTE!**



**THE GREAT SPHINX IS A LARGE HUMAN-HEADED LION THAT GUARDS THE FRONT OF KHAFFRA'S PYRAMID IN GIZA. THE SCARAB BUG SYMBOLISES THE RESTORATION OF LIFE AND WAS A POPULAR DESIGN FOR GOOD LUCK CHARMS, FOR SEALS USED TO STAMP DOCUMENTS AND FOR JEWELLERY. THE COLOURS USED IN THE SCARAB DESIGN HAD MEANING: RED SIGNIFIED THE GOD, RA, YELLOW WAS USED TO SYMBOLISE THE SUN AND THE DESERT, BLUE SYMBOLISED THE NILE AND GREEN WAS THE SYMBOL FOR GROWTH.**



**WRITE A SENTENCE ON EACH LINE, THAT TELLS THE READER ABOUT THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS!**

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