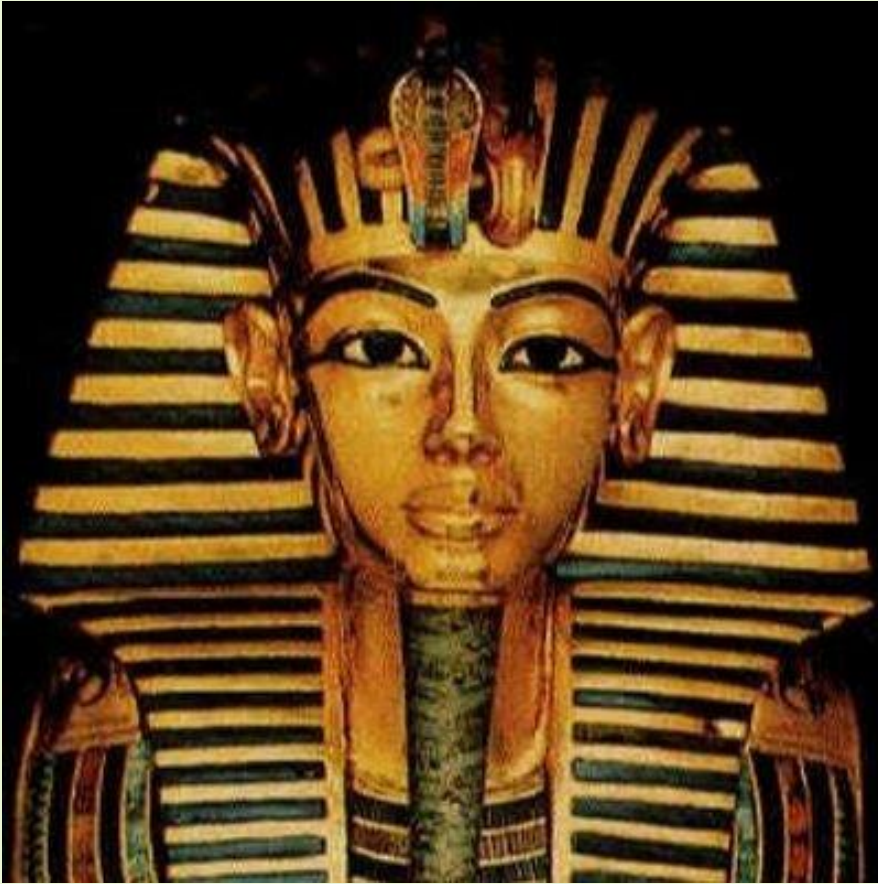


Reading Vocabulary for Egypt



1. pharaoh - leader in ancient Egypt



King Menes, the first
pharaoh

2. fertile soil - soil that is able to grow crops



3. famine - extreme shortage of food



Famine in Egypt (1708 BC-1701 BC) was a seven-year period during which no grain grew in **Egypt**, or indeed anywhere in the ancient Near East.

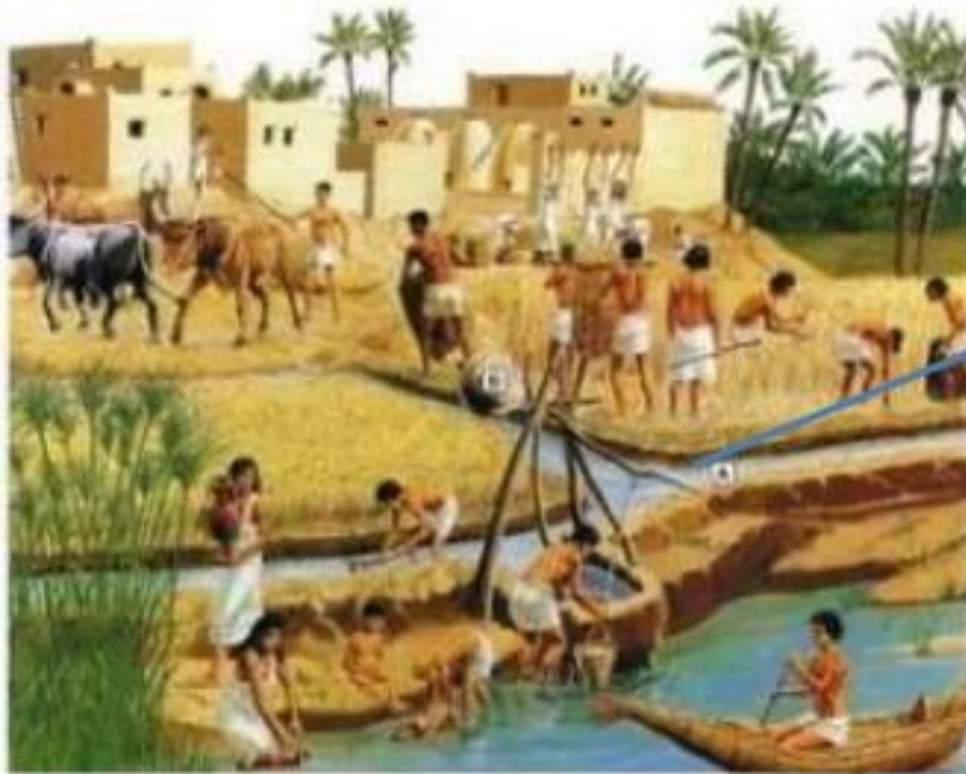
A **famine** is a widespread scarcity of food, can be **caused** by several factors including war, inflation, crop failure, population imbalance, or government policies. This phenomenon is usually accompanied or followed by regional malnutrition, starvation, epidemic, and increased mortality.

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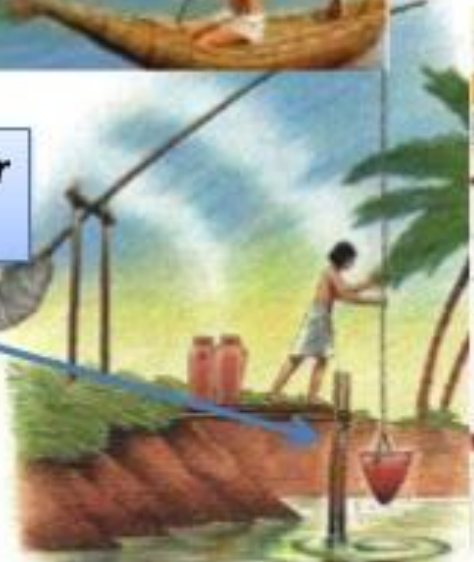
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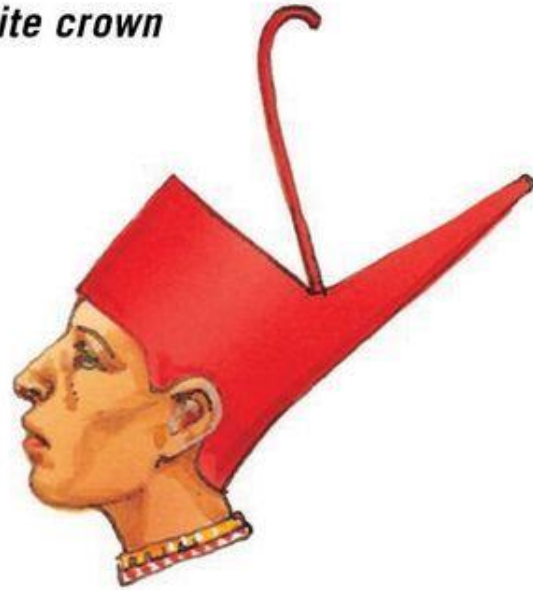
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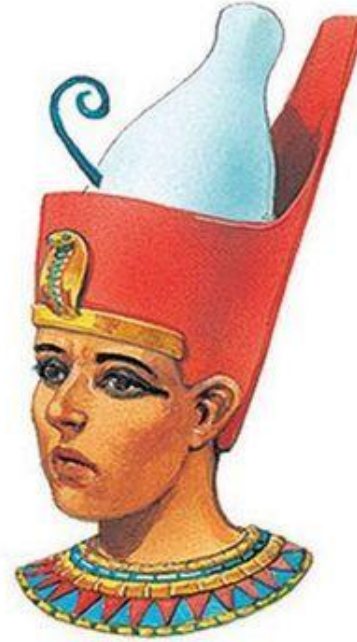
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9. regent – someone appointed to rule if the pharaoh cannot (if he is too young, sick, or absent from the kingdom)

10. Hatshepsut and Nefertiti – female rulers during ancient Egypt (regents and referred to as pharaohs)

Hatshepsut – Regent or Pharaoh?



After her father's death, 12-year-old Hatshepsut became queen of Egypt when she married her half-brother Thutmose II, the son of her father and one of his secondary wives, who inherited his father's throne around 1492 B.C. They had one daughter, Neferure. Thutmose II died young, around 1479 B.C., and the throne went to his infant son, also born to a secondary wife.

According to custom, Hatshepsut began acting as Thutmose III's regent, handling affairs of state until her stepson came of age.

It is believed that she disguised herself as a man with a beard and ruled as a pharaoh.

Nefertiti

Nefertiti was believed to be co-regent that ruled with her husband. **It** is believed **she** was 15 when **they** married. Nefertiti and her husband were known for a religious revolution, in which they worshipped one god only, Aten, or the sun disc.

Some think her name was changed and she ruled disguised as a man with a beard.



Cleopatra

She was born in Alexandria, Egypt in the year 69 BC. She was the last active Pharaoh of the Ancient Egyptian Empire. **Cleopatra** ruled the kingdom for 21 years, from 51 BC until her death in 30 BC. Cleopatra was born a princess of Egypt. Her father was the Pharaoh Ptolemy XII. Cleopatra was smart and cunning growing up. She was her father's favorite child and learned a lot about how the country was ruled from him.

Cleopatra's family had ruled Egypt for 300 years. They were the Ptolemy dynasty that had been established by the Greek ruler Alexander the Great. Even though they ruled Egypt, they were actually of Greek descent. Cleopatra grew up speaking, reading, and writing Greek. Unlike many of her relatives, however, Cleopatra also learned many other languages including Egyptian and Latin.

She allowed a cobra to bite her when she found out Rome was going to take over Egypt.



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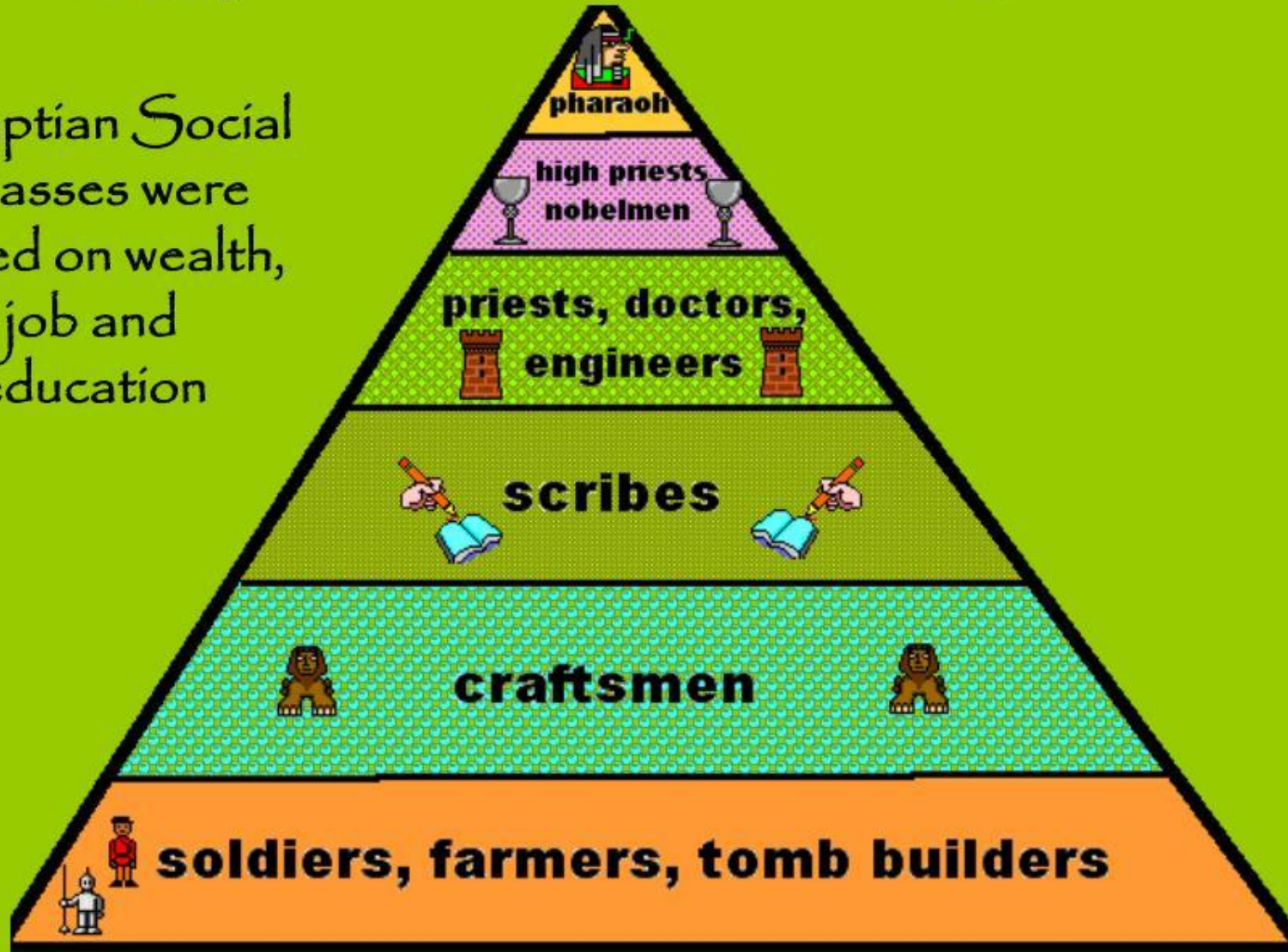
Video: Making Papyrus (3:13)

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Egyptian Social Pyramid

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Classes were
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Egyptian Gods and Goddesses

Amun



King of the Gods

Anubis



God of embalming

Geb



God of the earth

Horus



God of the sky

Isis



Goddess of life

Osiris



God of the dead

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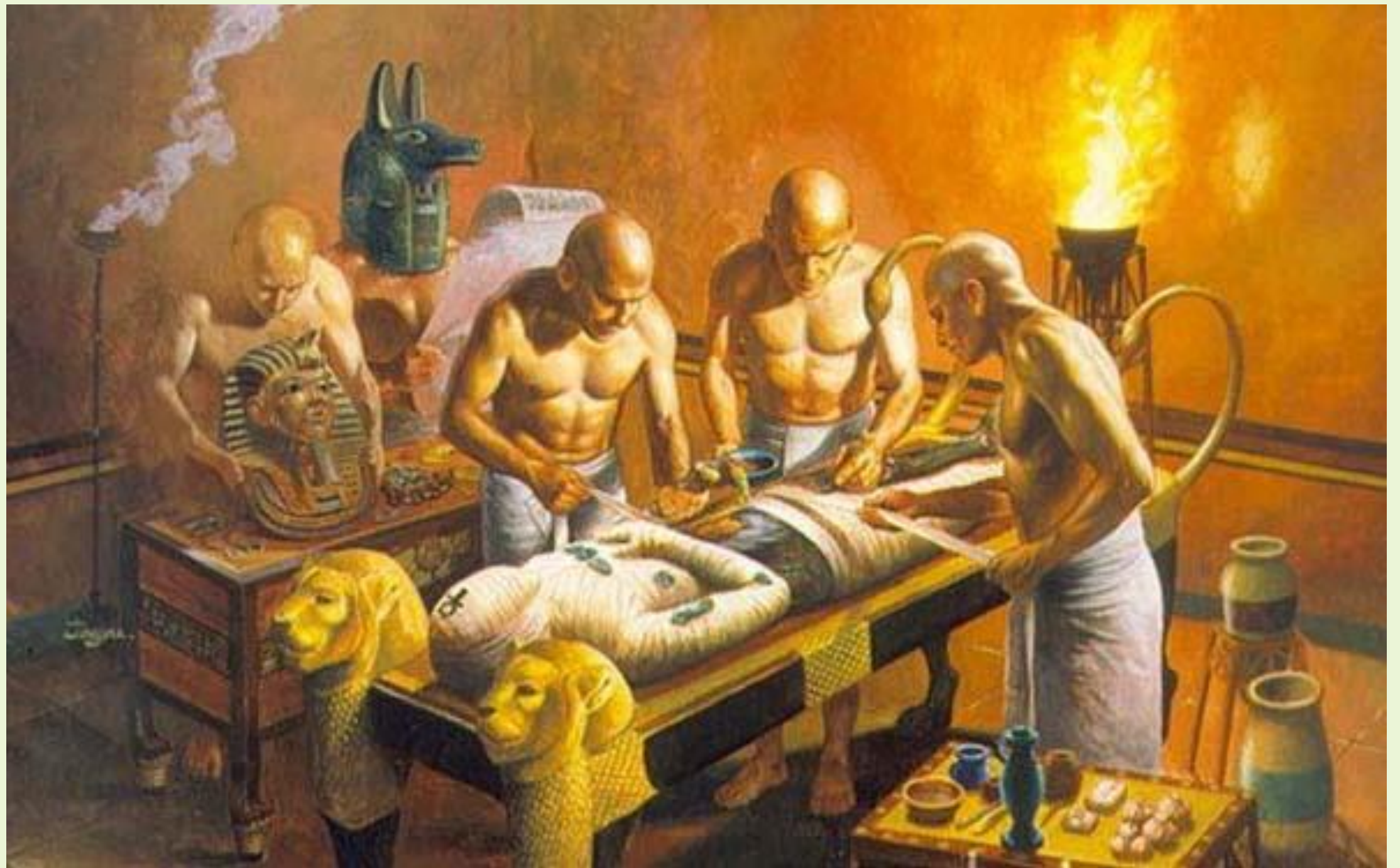
God of the sun

Seth



God of chaos

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17. citadel – a fortress (City of Armana)



Characteristics of a Civilization Chart - Egypt

When you are done:

1. Put the reading material in your binder or folder – Keep all handouts until June!!!
2. Keep the chart on your desk – I will collect them all at the same time
3. Do homework or read silently, **without talking!**