

# Guided Reading



## Ancient Egypt and Kush

### Lesson 2 *Life in Ancient Egypt*

**ESSENTIAL QUESTION**  
*What makes a culture unique?*

### Egypt's Early Rulers

**1. Explaining** What is a theocracy? Who is the pharaoh?

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**2. Listing** List the pharaoh's responsibilities in the chart below.

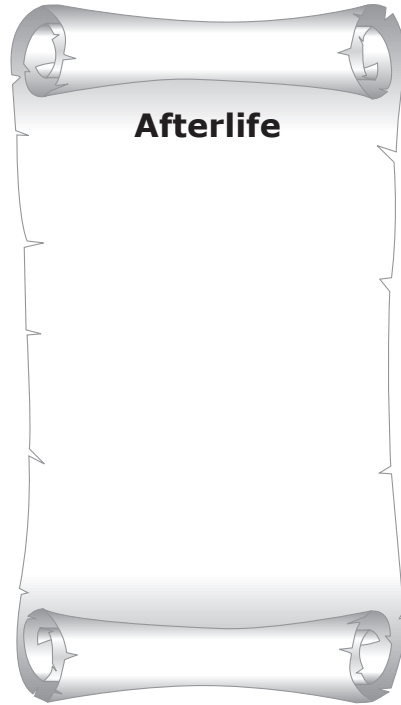
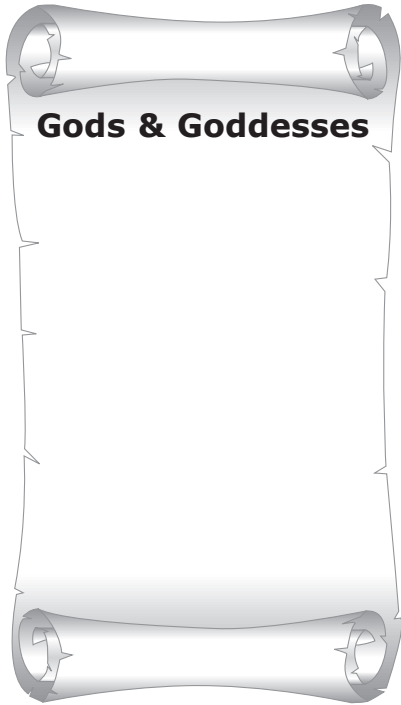
Pharaoh's Responsibilities	
Political	Religious
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### Religion in Egypt

**3. Describing** You are a historian studying Egyptian religion. Describe the elements of Egyptian religion on the scrolls below.



**4. Explaining** How did ancient Egyptians learn about the human body and medicine?

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### Pyramid Tombs

**True or False** Use your textbook to determine if each statement is true or false. Write T or F in the blank next to the statement. If the statement is false, rewrite it to make it true.

\_\_\_\_\_ **5.** One reason that Ancient Egyptians built pyramid tombs was to protect dead pharaohs' bodies from heat and dust.

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\_\_\_\_\_ **6.** Pyramids were built quickly by only a few hundred people.

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\_\_\_\_\_ **7.** The Egyptians developed an understanding about math and about the stars and sun while building the pyramids.

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\_\_\_\_\_ **8.** The Great Pyramid was once the world's tallest structure.

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### Daily Life

**9. Listing** The work ancient Egyptians did showed their social status, or position in society. The first column of the chart lists Egyptian social classes. As you read your textbook, write two facts about each group in the second column.

Social Groups	Facts
<b>Upper Class</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
<b>Middle Class</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
<b>Lower Class</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> <li>•</li> </ul>

**10. Describing** Write three sentences that describe family life in ancient Egypt.

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