

Egypt worksheet #2 Answer Key Student Name: _____

Religion in Ancient Egypt pg. 96,97

1. How many gods and goddesses did the Egyptian people worship?(1 mark)

They worshipped 100's of gods and goddesses. They often had animal heads and human bodies.

2. What are deities?(1 mark)

Are gods and goddesses.

3. Provide one example of a god from your book.(1 mark)

Ra, The Sun God...the most powerful God to Egyptian people.

4. What did Egyptians believe in regards to what happened in their daily lives?(1 mark)

People believed that any misfortunes or fortunes encountered in their lives came from the god that willed it.

5. If the Nile flooded, who received credit for this?(1 mark)

If the Nile flooded(a life giving way of fertilizing the fields with nutrients) it was because of the gods....so offerings were usually made to the deities of the sun, moon, earth and water.

6. If something unfortunate happened in their lives, who did they believe caused this?(1 mark)

If something unfortunate happened, it was because a deity had willed it and was unhappy with them.

7. What did Egyptians do regularly to keep their deities happy and why?(2 marks)

They regularly made offerings and sacrifices to them...they did this because they feared the gods and wanted to keep them happy.

Life After Death

1. What did Egyptians spend their lives preparing for?(1 mark)

The afterlife...this was a continuation to their life on earth.

2. What is the afterlife?(1 mark)

This was a continuation of the afterlife.

3. Who were Pharaohs, what did they have built and why?(3 marks)

These were Egyptian kings...they built fine tombs and collected beautiful treasures and belongings to store with their mummified bodies for the after-life.

4. What did Pharaohs have collected for their tombs and why?(2 marks)

They collected beautiful treasures, statues and belongings to take with them to the after-life...they even took slaves and mummified pets.

5. Who did Egyptians believe judged if they were going to the afterlife?(1 mark)

When they died, they would first to be judged by Osiris(god of the underworld). If Osiris believed they lived a worthy life, they could enter the afterlife.

6. In order to remain in the afterlife, what did Egyptians believe had to happen on Earth?(2 marks)

They needed a home for their spirit here on earth...they needed their dead bodies to remain intact to remain in the underworld.

7. What is embalming?(1 mark)

It's a technique used to preserve a human corpse.

8. What is mummification?(1 mark)

A specialized form of embalming. It was first available only to the pharaoh, but years later everyone had the privilege to be mummified.

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9. How long did it take to complete the whole mummification process?(1 mark)

70 days to complete the entire process.

10. How many embalmers were needed and what mask was worn, by who and why?(3 marks)

Several embalmers were needed...the chief embalmer wore a jackal mask to represent Anubis, the God of mummification.

11. All internal organs, but one was removed...why?(2 marks)

The heart was left in the body, for it was believed to contain all intelligence and emotion.

12. What happened to the other organs?(2 marks)

The removed other organs were mummified and put into jars that were placed in the tomb.

13. What organ was thought to be useless and how did they remove it?(2 marks)

The brain was thought useless and removed by scooping it out with a wire through the nose.

14. What did they do with the person's mouth?(2 marks)

The mouth was cleaned out and filled with sweet, oil-scented linen.

15. What did they cover and pack the body with and why?(2 marks)

They covered the body with natron(salty drying agent and the body was left to dry out for 40-50 days until all the bodies liquids were absorbed) The body can not rot is dried out with this process.

16. How long was the body left to dry out?

40 - 50 days.

17. What did they stuff the body cavity with and what did they restore?(4 marks)

The body cavity was stuffed with resin, sawdust or linen and shaped to restore the form and features of the dead person...then the body was sewn up.

18. What went into the eye sockets?(2 marks)

They put either onions or painted white stones into the eye sockets.

19. What went into the nostrils and where did spices and herbs go?(3 marks)

Beeswax was placed into the nostrils.

20. What is a shroud?(1 mark)

A shroud is a burial sheet that the body is put into.

21. What is a sarcophagus?(1 mark)

A stone coffin that the body is placed in.

