

## Syllabus for "Ancient Egypt and Kush" Unit

1. Define in notebook: **cataract, delta, shadoof, papyrus, hieroglyphics, and dynasty.** DUE: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Read "*The Nile River*" on pages 97 - 107. Answer the following in your notebook using complete sentences. DUE: \_\_\_\_\_
  - A) **Which river is so important to Ancient Egypt and why?**
  - B) **Compare and contrast the delta in Egypt and the Fertile Crescent.** Make sure to include their geography and their impact on people. Underline the terms silt, irrigation, and shadoof.
  - C) **Describe farming in ancient Egypt.**
  - D) **What new technology did they develop for communication?** How did it relate to their farming?
  - E) **Why was Narmer so significant?** Include at least 3 important things that he did.
3. Define in your notebook: **theocracy, pharaoh, bureaucrat, embalming, pyramid.** DUE: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Read "*Life in Ancient Egypt*" on pages 108 - 119. Answer the following in your notebook using complete sentences. DUE: \_\_\_\_\_
  - A) **How did the Egyptian government work?** Include the terms theocracy, pharaoh, and bureaucrats.
  - B) **Describe their religion and how it related to the construction of pyramids.**
  - C) **How was their society organized?**
  - D) **List and briefly explain 3 other forms of technology from ancient Egypt.**
5. Define in your notebook: **incense and envoy.** DUE : \_\_\_\_\_
6. Read "*Egypt's Empire*" on pages 120 - 127. Answer the following in your notebook using complete sentences. DUE: \_\_\_\_\_
  - A) **How did Egypt become wealthy in the Middle Kingdom and what improvements were made?**
  - B) **Who was Hatshepsut and why was this person so important? Explain with at least 5 facts.**
  - C) **Who were Thutmose, Amenhotep, Tutankhamun, and Ramses II? how many facts can you give about each of them?**
7. Define in your notebook: **savanna and textile** DUE : \_\_\_\_\_
8. Read "*The Kingdom of Kush*" on pages 128 - 133. Answer the following in your notebook using complete sentences. DUE: \_\_\_\_\_
  - A) **Where was Nubia located and what important natural resources did they have?**
  - B) **Once they took over Kerma, why did the Nubians become so wealthy?**
  - C) **How did the Nile River help the capital city of Meroe? How did this city become so wealthy?**
9. Create a graphic organizer (Venn Diagram, chart, etc.) that compares and contrasts the civilizations of Mesopotamia and Ancient Egypt. Be sure to include information related to: **agriculture, trade (and economy), government, written communication, development of cities and religion.**
10. Pick the Ancient Egyptian technology that you believe to be the most influential on our civilization TODAY. In your journal, write a paragraph to explain why you chose this AND how it helps us today.

The TENTATIVE Test Date for "The Nile River Valley" is \_\_\_\_\_.