

## Chapter 2 Section 3: Kingdom on the Nile

**Focus Question:** How did the Nile influence the rise of the powerful civilization of Egypt?

### Lesson Objectives

23. Understand the ways in which \_\_\_\_\_ helped shape ancient Egypt.
24. Analyze the achievements of the \_\_\_\_\_ in Egypt.
25. Describe the events that brought \_\_\_\_\_ to Egypt's Middle Kingdom.
26. Explain how Egypt grew strong during the \_\_\_\_\_.

### 23. Understand the ways in which geography helped shape ancient Egypt.

#### Geography Helps Shape Egypt

- “Without the Nile, Egypt would be just the barren \_\_\_\_\_ that surrounds the river.
- Desert
  - \_\_\_\_\_ from invaders
  - Limited suitable land for \_\_\_\_\_.
- “Black Land” and “Red Land”
  - Black- \_\_\_\_\_ soil around the river.
  - Red- \_\_\_\_\_ desert soil unsuitable for \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Yearly Floods Bring Benefits

- In the spring rain from the interior of the continent flows into the \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Nile \_\_\_\_\_ annually from the rains.
- Built dikes, reservoirs, and irrigation systems to channel and store water during the dry season.

#### Uniting Two Regions

- Upper Egypt
  - Located in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Egypt.
  - Began at the first \_\_\_\_\_, or waterfall and ended about 100 miles from the Mediterranean Sea.
- Lower Egypt
  - Located in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Egypt.
  - Located in the area where the Nile River emptied into the \_\_\_\_\_ Sea.
  - This area is known as a \_\_\_\_\_.

### 24. Analyze the achievements of the Old Kingdom in Egypt.

#### The Old Kingdom Forms

- The history of Ancient Egypt is divided into three main periods.
  - The \_\_\_\_\_ Kingdom (about 2575 B.C. – 2130 B.C.)
  - The \_\_\_\_\_ Kingdom (about 1938 B.C. – 1630 B.C.)
  - The \_\_\_\_\_ Kingdom (about 1539 B.C. – 1075 B.C.)

## A Strong Government Takes Hold

- Egyptian kings were called \_\_\_\_\_.
- They organized a strong centralized state.
- Held **absolute power**.
- Were seen as human and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Controlled a **bureaucracy**, a system of gov't that includes different job functions and levels of authority.
- The pharaohs depended on a \_\_\_\_\_, chief minister to supervise the gov't.

## The Great Pyramids are Built

- The Great Pyramids were built during the \_\_\_\_\_ Kingdom in the area around Memphis known as Giza.
- Tombs where the dead would live for the rest of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Building the pyramids took so long that pharaohs often began building their pyramid once they took power.

## 25. Describe the events that brought turbulence to Egypt's Middle Kingdom.

### The Turbulent Middle Kingdom

- Power struggles, crop \_\_\_\_\_, and cost of building the pyramids caused the Old Kingdom to collapse.
- Invaders named the \_\_\_\_\_ occupied the delta region of Egypt for 100 years.
- Eventually Egyptian leaders rose up and established the New Kingdom.

## 26. Explain how Egypt grew strong during the New Kingdom.

### New Kingdom Egypt Grows Strong

- A number of ambitious and powerful pharaohs created a large empire.
- Reached as far north as Syria and the \_\_\_\_\_ River.

### Powerful Rulers Control Egypt

- **Hatshepsut**- first \_\_\_\_\_ ruler of Egypt. She encouraged trade with other people in the Mediterranean.
- **Thutmose III**- Hatshepsut's stepson. He was a great \_\_\_\_\_ leader and expanded the borders of the empire.
- **Ramses II**- ruled for 66 years and expanded the empire north to Syria. The most well known of Egyptian pharaohs since he \_\_\_\_\_ of his achievements with monuments and temples.

### Egypt Battles With Its Neighbors

- Egypt fought battles against the \_\_\_\_\_ in Syria.
- Also traded and fought with \_\_\_\_\_, a kingdom on the Nile south of Egypt.

### Egypt Declines

- After 1100 B.C., Egyptian power slowly declined.
- Invaders often conquered the Nile region.
  - Assyrians, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_