Ancient Egyptian Timeline Events

Beginning of Egyptian Civilization- (7500 BCE – 2575 BCE)

Old Kingdom- (2575 BCE – 2130 BCE)

Middle Kingdom – (1938 BCE - 1630 BCE)

New Kingdom – (1539 BCE – 1075 BCE)

The first settlers arrived in the Nile Valley around 7500 BCE. As time went on the climate became hotter and dryer forcing settlers to live near the Nile River. Here they learned to farm along the banks.

<u>Hieroglyphic Writing</u>- developed around 3200 BCE as a way to keep records of trade.

<u>The Egyptian state is founded</u> by King Narmer around 2950 BCE. He formed his capital on the delta at Memphis.

The first step pyramid is built in Egypt around 2650 BCE. It still stands at over 210 feet tall.

<u>The Great Pyramids at Giza are built</u> from 2555 – 2450 BCE. The largest of the pyramids stands at over 438 feet tall.

The Hyskos conquered Egypt in 1720 BCE and ruled for over 100 years

<u>The Valley of Kings is built</u> between 1539 – 1069 BCE. Pharaohs decided to build hidden tombs rather than pyramids to keep grave robbers from looting the tombs.

<u>Hatshepsut</u>, one of the few female rulers of Egypt, ruled from 1473 until 1458 BCE.

<u>King Tutankhamen</u> ruled Egypt around 1322 BCE. He is one of the most famous rulers of Egypt simply because in 1922 anthropologists found his tomb untouched and filled with treasure.

Ramses II ("Ramses the Great) ruled Egypt for 67 years beginning around 1300 BCE. He brought peace to the country after fighting wars with outsiders.