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Subject: History
Year group: 3
Term: Spring 2024
Unit name: Ancient Egypt
Who were the ancient Egyptians, and why is ancient Egypt considered to be an early civilisation?

National Curriculum:
The achievements of the earliest civilizations – an overview of where and when the first civilizations appeared and a **depth study of one** of the following: Ancient Sumer; The Indus Valley; **Ancient Egypt**; The Shang Dynasty of Ancient China

Integrity

An honest witness tells the truth.
But a dishonest witness tells lies.
Proverbs 12:17

Prior Learning:
Bronze age study allows for further connections as this time period is also within the Egyptian bronze age.
What a source is and how this can be used by historians.

Specific knowledge:
What is a civilisation and when was ancient Egypt first unified?
What impact did the Egyptian landscape have on people's lives?
Were people treated equally in ancient Egypt?
What does mummification tell us about Egyptian society and their beliefs about death?
How has our knowledge of Egyptian beliefs been informed by the discovery of tombs of ancient Egyptian pharaohs?

Key Concepts:
community & culture (architecture, art, civilisation, trade communication, myth, nation, religion, settlement, story)
conflict & disaster (conquest, surrender)
hierarchy & power (empire, equality, government, monarchy, oppression, peasantry, privilege, slavery)
evidence & interpretation (source)

Skills:
Understand chronology – a timeline shows a period of time. Time is linear and we can show when things happened. A timeline can be used to show blocks of time or individual events. Looking at artefacts and objects and talking about what they notice. Making links between them. Exploring both physical and digital artefacts.
Asking questions about the past and using developing knowledge to begin to answer these. Making connections between different civilisations and linking to previous civilisations studied.

Retrieval Vocabulary	New Vocabulary
AD, agriculture, artefact, BC, BCE, CE, civilisation, crops, historian, language, livestock, monument, period, transport, worship	century, irrigation, longevity, millennium, nobility, ruler, stability, tomb

Possible enrichment:
[Tomb of Queen Meresankh III \(G 7530-7540\) \(matterport.com\)](#) [Tomb of Menna \(TT69\) in the Theban Necropolis \(matterport.com\)](#) [22 Awesome Egyptian Sites You Can Virtually Tour From Home \(localguidetoegypt.com\)](#)
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