

# Ancient Egypt Knowledge Mat

Our enquiry question is...  
What makes a strong community?  
Our concept is...  
Community



Our exciting text is...  
**Marcy Riddle Sphinx** by Joe Todd Stanton



This book follows the story of young Marcy, who finds herself on a mission to save her father after he becomes trapped inside an Ancient Egyptian Sphinx.

## Vocabulary

<b>society</b>	all of the groups of people that share the same laws, rights, and resources.
<b>pharaoh</b>	a ruler in ancient Egypt
<b>scribe</b>	a person who could write using hieroglyphs.
<b>community</b>	a group of people living or working together in the same area.
<b>religion</b>	what you believe about human beings' relationship to a higher power or God/Gods.
<b>hierarchy</b>	a system that organises or ranks things, often according to power or importance
<b>civilisation</b>	a large group of people who share certain advanced ways of living and working
<b>mummification</b>	a method of preparing a dead body so that it doesn't decay.



## Key Knowledge

The ancient Egyptian civilisation began 5,000 years ago when people started building villages next to the River Nile in north-east Africa.

The River Nile was an important source of water in a hot and dry desert landscape.

The River Nile helped ancient Egyptians to be able to grow lots of crops like wheat, barley, fruit and vegetables. They also grew flax to make clothes and papyrus to make paper.

The ancient Egyptians became experts at building boats and navigating the river because the River Nile was used as a means of transporting materials for building projects.

Jobs were often inherited in ancient Egypt. Some different jobs that were available were; Bakers, Scribes, Priests, Doctors, Craftpeople and Merchants.

Religion played a huge role in ancient Egyptians communities. Their gods dictated how people lived their lives, how they treated other people, how they farmed and worked and all their beliefs about the afterlife.