

# Mummies! Unwrapping the Secrets of Ancient Egypt

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## Quizzes

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## Article 1: Food and Servants for the Dead

### Comprehension Questions

1. Why did the ancient Egyptians give food to the dead?
  - a. So that the dead person wouldn't be hungry after death.
  - b. So that animals would have food to eat if they came to the mummy's tomb.
  - c. So that archeologists would have food to eat if they found the mummy's tomb.
  - d. So that the mummy's servants could make a feast for themselves.
2. Why did the pharaoh need servants after he died?
  - a. To rub the pharaoh's mummy with oil.
  - b. To serve him in the afterlife.
  - c. To keep robbers away from the tomb.
  - d. To stop archeologists from taking the mummy apart.

### Vocabulary Questions

1. Some scientists study things that have been left behind by ancient people. These scientists are called \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Egyptians
  - b. pharaohs
  - c. servants
  - d. archeologists
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a room or building where a dead body is kept.
  - a. tomb
  - b. mummy
  - c. grave
  - d. wall

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## Article 2: Animal Mummies

### Comprehension Questions

1. You learned how the ancient Egyptians made cat mummies. Which of these answers is **not** a step in making a cat mummy?
  - a. Clean out the cat's internal organs.
  - b. Soak the cat's body in oil.
  - c. Dry out the cat's body with natron.
  - d. Wrap the cat's body with strips of cloth.
  
2. Why did some ancient Egyptians make their pets into mummies?
  - a. So that other people would not have to take care of the pets.
  - b. So that animals like crocodiles and falcons could not eat the pet.
  - c. So that archeologists could learn about pets in ancient Egypt.
  - d. So that the pets could follow their owners around in the afterlife.

### Vocabulary Questions

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a person who travels a long way to visit a holy place.
  - a. pilgrim
  - b. stray
  - c. Bastet
  - d. servant
  
2. Mummies that were made as gifts for the gods were called \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Hapy-Min mummies
  - b. natron mummies
  - c. votive mummies
  - d. giant mummies

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## Article 3: Robbing Tombs

### Comprehension Questions

1. The ancient Egyptians used many tricks to keep robbers from finding tombs. Mark the answer that is **not** one of the tricks they used?
  - a. They left a guard dog outside the tomb.
  - b. They hid the entrance to the pyramid.
  - c. They made a maze of tunnels.
  - d. They blocked the entrance with heavy stones.
2. Why did the Egyptians write curses inside the tombs?
  - a. To warn crocodiles and snakes to stay away from the tomb.
  - b. To ask the gods to guard the tomb.
  - c. To warn robbers about the bad things that would happen if they stole from the tombs.
  - d. To scare the mummies in the afterlife.

### Vocabulary Questions

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a warning about all the bad things that might happen to a robber if he stole things from a tomb.
  - a. Bastet
  - b. curse
  - c. falcon
  - d. baboon
2. The pharaoh's mummy was put inside a room called a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. burial chamber
  - b. tomb tunnel
  - c. dead-end
  - d. votive room

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## Article 4: Looking Inside Mummies

### Comprehension Questions

1. What did scientists find when they looked inside the skull of Horemkenesi?
  - a. Sawdust
  - b. A gold statue
  - c. A curse
  - d. Dead beetles
  
2. Why did the ancient Egyptians kill many kittens?
  - a. To prepare them as food for a dead person in the afterlife.
  - b. To feed them to snakes, crocodiles and baboons.
  - c. To give them as gifts to the goddess Bastet.
  - d. To cut them into small pieces of meat like you might find in a grocery store today.

### Vocabulary Questions

1. Archeologists use \_\_\_\_\_ to study the insides of a mummy without hurting it.
  - a. water
  - b. X-rays
  - c. natron
  - d. sockets
  
2. In the old days, \_\_\_\_\_ held parties to unwrap the mummies that they brought back from Egypt.
  - a. priests
  - b. Egyptians
  - c. kings
  - d. explorers