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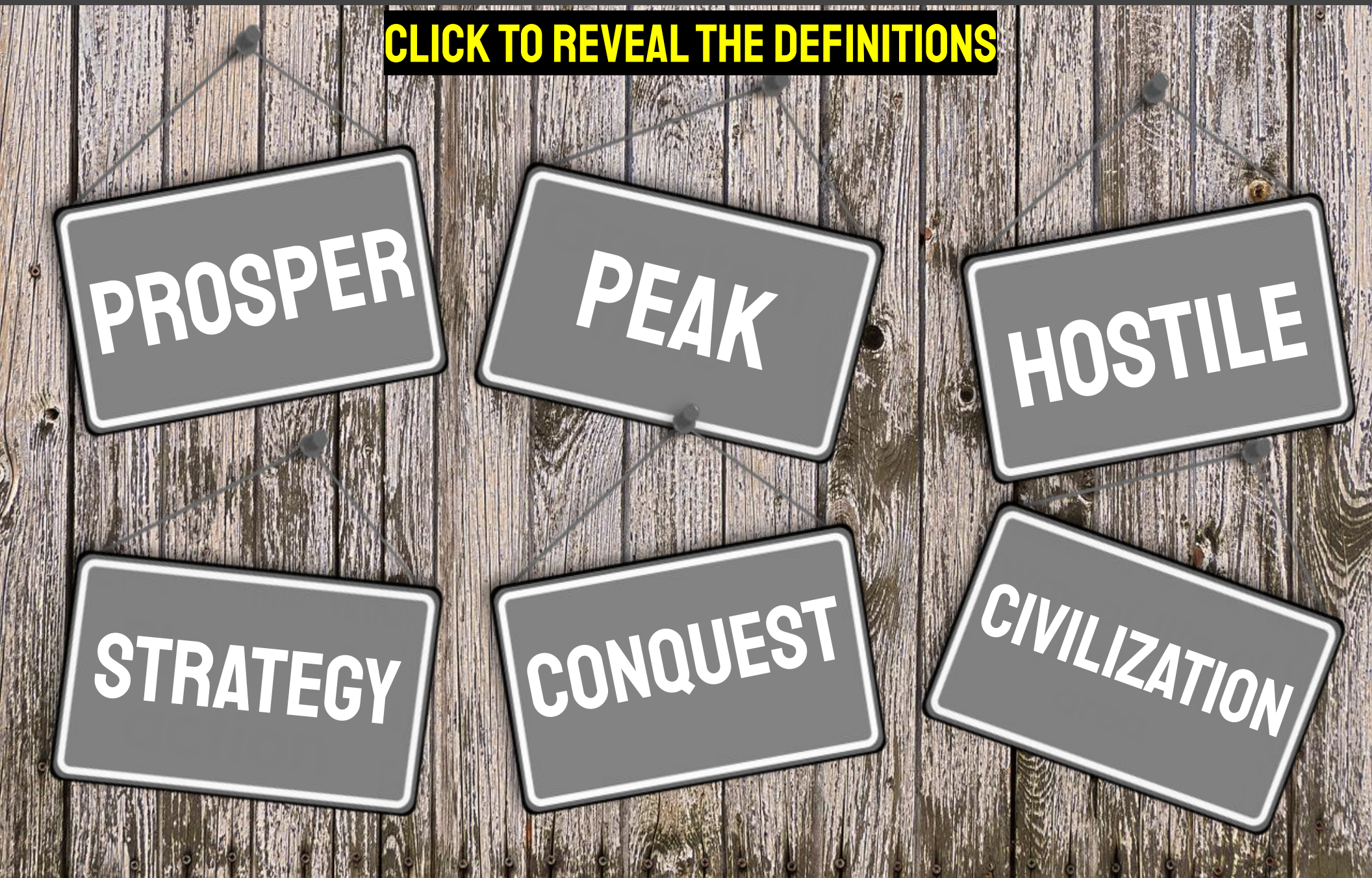

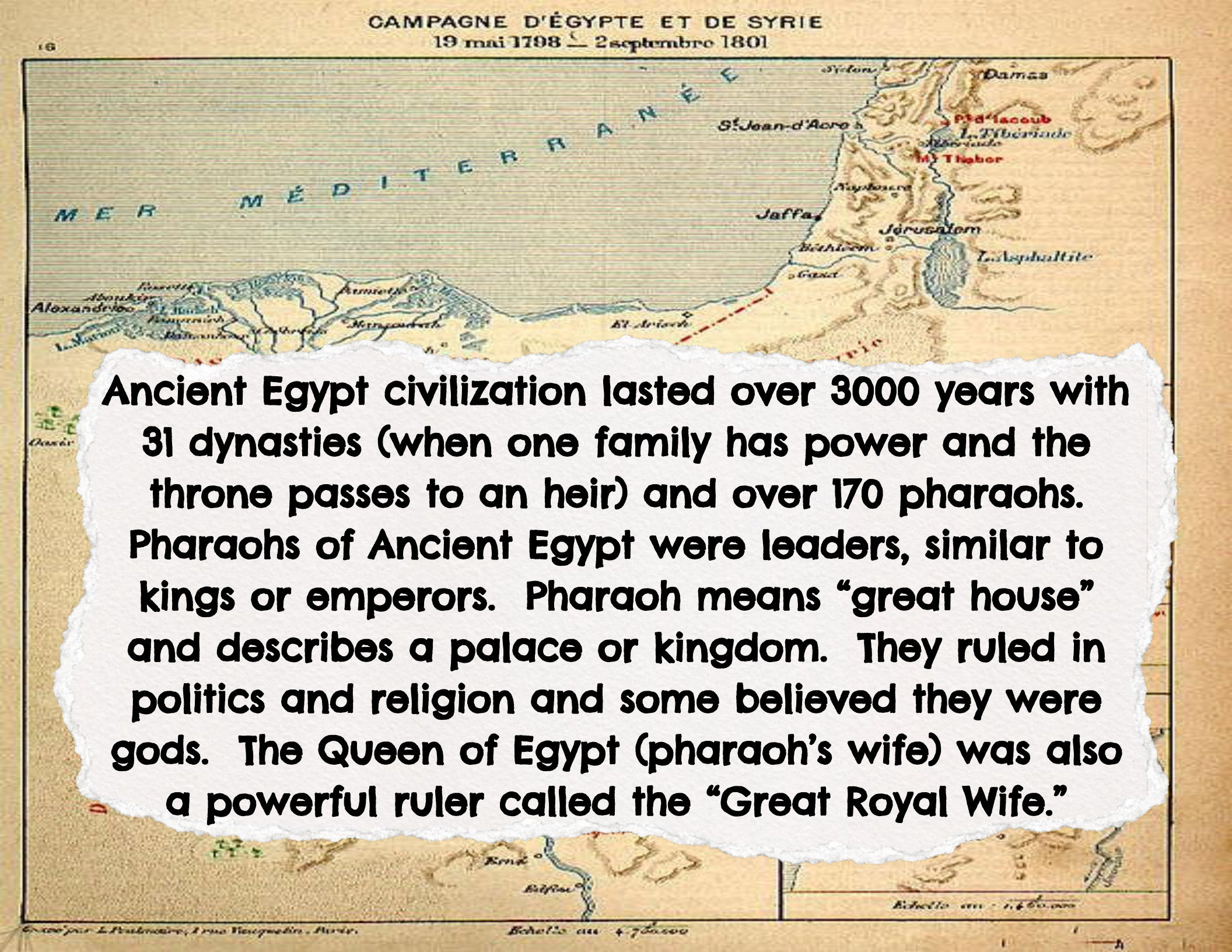

Ancient Egypt civilization lasted over 3000 years with 31 dynasties (when one family has power and the throne passes to an heir) and over 170 pharaohs. Pharaohs of Ancient Egypt were leaders, similar to kings or emperors. Pharaoh means "great house" and describes a palace or kingdom. They ruled in politics and religion and some believed they were gods. The Queen of Egypt (pharaoh's wife) was also a powerful ruler called the "Great Royal Wife."

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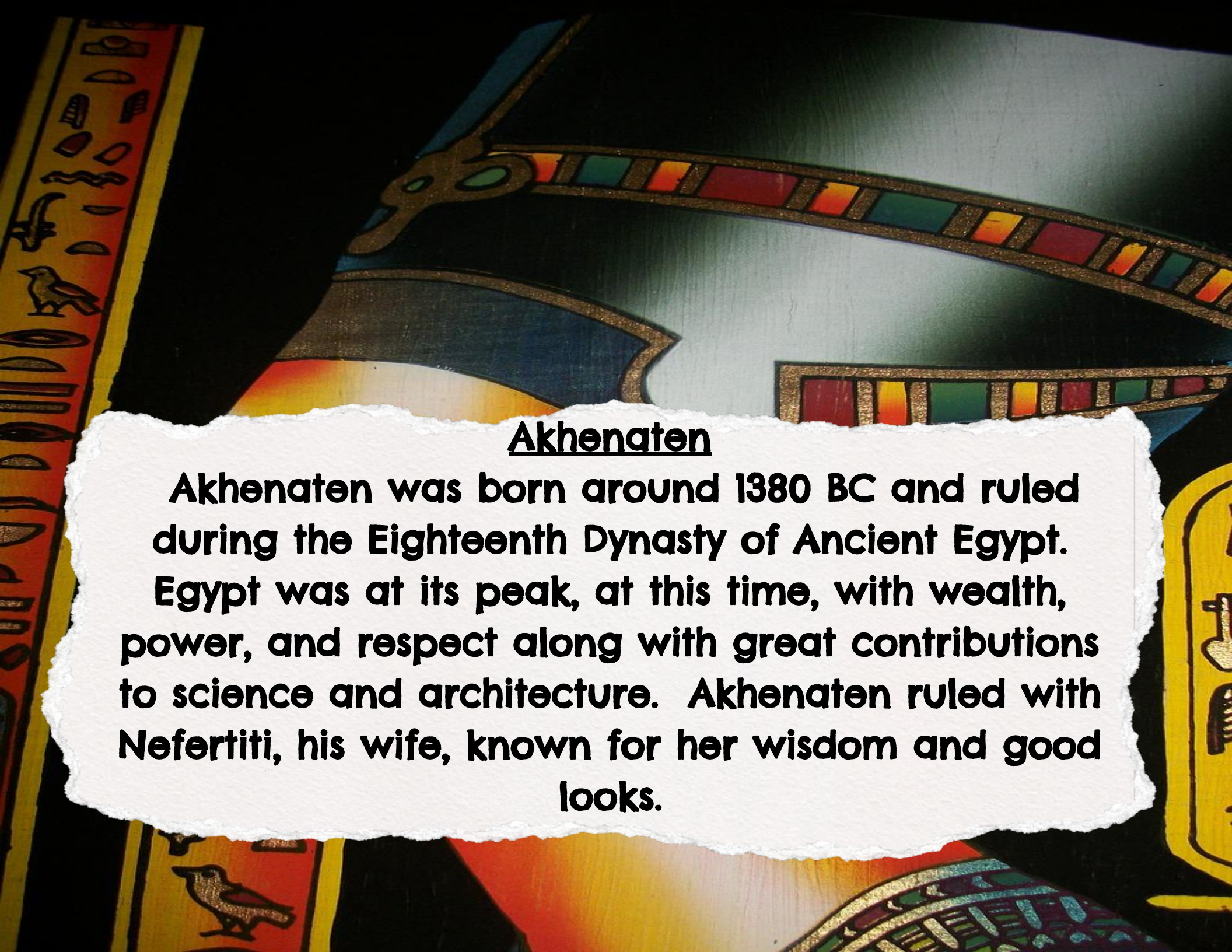

Akhenaten

Akhenaten was born around 1380 BC and ruled during the Eighteenth Dynasty of Ancient Egypt. Egypt was at its peak, at this time, with wealth, power, and respect along with great contributions to science and architecture. Akhenaten ruled with Nefertiti, his wife, known for her wisdom and good looks.

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A. Seventeenth

B. Eighteenth

C. Nineteenth

Akhenaten was known for changing things. He changed his name during his 5th year as pharaoh. He is most known for claiming there was only one god, the sun god Aten. He convinced the Egyptians to switch from believing in many gods to believing in just one. Because of this belief, he closed other temples while building a temple to Aten. He even changed the location of the capital of Egypt.

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