

# ABOUT THIS PACKET

Each reading passage in this packet allows students to work on comprehension skills after reading the passage several times searching for evidence.

## OVERVIEW

### THE CASE

Read the case aloud to your students so they understand the mission.

### QUESTIONS

There are 18 questions to be answered by reading the passage and marking the text evidence.

### CLUES

After answering each question, the students will **mark off** their answer choice on their answer sheet. After all questions have been answered, the suspect, evidence, and location will be revealed.

### GRADE LEVEL

### RANGE

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BEGINNING

4

MIDDLE

5

BEGINNING

5

MIDDLE

5

END

6

BEGINNING

6

MIDDLE

6

END

7

BEGINNING

# KING TUT

Ancient Egypt is a great civilization that lasted 3000 years in Africa, had many pharaohs. Pharaohs were the kings or leaders and were viewed as gods. The civilization, which is a group of people with their own way of life, went through three distinct periods where they were united and prosperous. These periods were called the Old Kingdom, the Middle Kingdom, and the New Kingdom.

One very well-known pharaoh was Tutankhamun who was a king of Egypt during the New Kingdom. He was nicknamed "The Boy King" because he became pharaoh when he was just nine years old. Today, he is also known by the name King Tut, for short.

Tutankhamun was born to the pharaoh Akhenaten around the year 1341 BC. Akhenaten had many wives, however his main wife, a powerful woman by the name of Nefertiti, only had daughters. Tutankhamun was born to another one of the pharaoh's wives. Nefertiti wished she had a son so he would be the next pharaoh, so she disliked Tutankhamun greatly.

When Akhenaten was pharaoh, he made changes to Egypt that many did not like. Ancient Egyptian religion believed in many gods, however, he changed their belief system to only worship Aten, the sun god. People did not have a choice and were forced to now worship the way he also built and changed the capital city of Egypt to Amarna in honor of Aten.

When the pharaoh Akhenaten died, Tutankhamun was still a young boy. In order to rule Egypt, he had the help of a general and his vizier, who is the person under the pharaoh in charge of many tasks. His vizier was named Ay, and the general was named Horemheb.

During the 18th Dynasty, Tutankhamun and his advisors tried to return Egypt back to its old ways. He restored old temples and allowed the worship of just the sun god, but instead of all the gods. He also returned the capital city from Amarna to Memphis. Tutankhamun eventually died and his

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Who was King Tut's  
father?



Amenhotep III



Hatshepsut



Akhenaten



Thutmose II

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Ancient Egypt was  
located along which  
river?



Nile



Rhine



Amazon



Rhone

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King Tut ruled  
during the \_\_\_\_\_  
kingdom.



Upper



Old



Middle



New

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When was King Tut's  
tomb discovered?



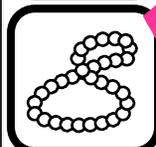
1901



1922



1800



1944

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Ancient Egypt went through \_\_\_\_\_ distinct \_\_\_\_\_ periods.



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What was the name of King Tut's general?



Nefertiti

Aten

Ay

Horemheb.

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King Tut was nicknamed "The \_\_\_\_\_ King".



Royal

Boy

Young

Child

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How old was Tutankhamun when he became pharaoh?



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# CASE FILE

Cross out the images you use as an answer. What remains will solve the case!

SUSPECTS



LOCATION



EVIDENCE



CONGRATULATIONS

YOU SOLVED  
THE CASE!



LEAD DETECTIVE NAME:

\_\_\_\_\_

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LEAD DETECTIVE NAME:

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