

Tutankhamun comprehension questions

1. Who paid for the search for Tutankhamun's tomb?

Howard Carter	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lady Evelyn Herbert	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lord Carnarvon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2. What was Howard Carter's job?

Researcher	<input type="checkbox"/>
Archaeologist	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Writer	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Complete the table to show whether the sentences are true or false.

	True (T) or False (F)
A waterboy discovered the first step.	T
Lord Carnarvon saw the treasures first.	F
They had searched for 5 years.	T
Carter excavated in the Valley of the Kings.	T
The tomb was found in the Autumn of 1912.	F

4. Why do you think Carter was nervous when he discovered the door seal was broken?

He thought the tomb would be empty.
He thought robbers had got in.

5. Decide which person these statements are about. One has been done for you.

	Howard Carter	Lord Carnarvon
Paid for the excavation		✓
Had a daughter called Lady Evelyn Herbert		✓
Sent a telegram	✓	
Asked, 'Can you see anything?'		✓
Worked in Egypt for 31 years	✓	

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6. How many steps were there leading down to the tomb?

16 steps

7. Howard Carter's description upon opening the door to the antechamber:
"With trembling hands I made a tiny breach in the upper left-hand corner.
 Why do you think Carter's hands were trembling?

Because he was nervous about what might be inside/in case it was empty.

Because he was excited to be finally looking inside the tomb.

8. Put these events in order. One has been done for you.

Carter sees 'wonderful things'.	5
Carter begins his final season searching for the tomb.	1
Carter sent a telegram to Lord Carnarvon.	4
The waterboy discovers the step.	2
They discover the door intact.	3

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1. What is the purpose of the text (tick box) explain background information
2. What inspired Carter
3. Events in order.
4. Why is something in brackets - to explain
5. Why do you think says

6. Would you have liked to have been there when Tut's tomb was discovered? Explain your answer.

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