

# ANCIENT EGYPTIANS

### Lesson 4 Learning objectives:

- To understand how and why the Ancient Egyptians mummified people

**Warm your brain up! Listen to this song!!**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PUyk4VNzUMc>

## The facts you need!

Watch the horrible histories 'The mummy song' (awful Egyptians) on You tube - see the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nf4vIYh9bJk>

## What are mummies?

A mummy is the body of a person (or an animal) that has been preserved after death.

## Who were the mummies?

They were any Egyptian who could afford to pay for the expensive process of preserving their bodies for the afterlife.

## Why did the Egyptians make mummies?

The Egyptians believed in life after death. They believed that they had to preserve their bodies so they could use them in the afterlife.

## What is the afterlife?

The Egyptians believed that when they died, they would make a journey to another world where they would lead a new life. They would need all the things they had used when they were alive, so their families would put those things in their graves. Egyptians paid vast amounts of money to have

## How were mummies made?

It took a very long time, from start to finish, it took about 70 days to embalm a body. The priest in charge would wear the mask of a jackal representing the god Anubis.

## Mummification process

Now read the sheet (mummification process) and/or watch this clip.....

BBC clip - watch this 5 minute clip.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/mummification-in-ancient-egypt/zdcrkmn>

## Your Creative Task: Choose one of the following...

- 1) Make your own mummified fruit (use the instruction sheet to help you).
- 2) Need a laugh?? Wrap someone from home up in toilet roll and make them into a 'mummy'!!
- 3) Make your own Canopic jars...be creative! (You could use jam jars, empty toilet rolls/kitchen rolls/pringles tubes, clay, plasticine or anything else you can think of!)



Make your own coffin and mummy (print out the sheets onto card)

You can choose to complete as many of these tasks as you like...don't forget to send us some photos on twitter or email us some!