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I. Life in the Old Kingdom

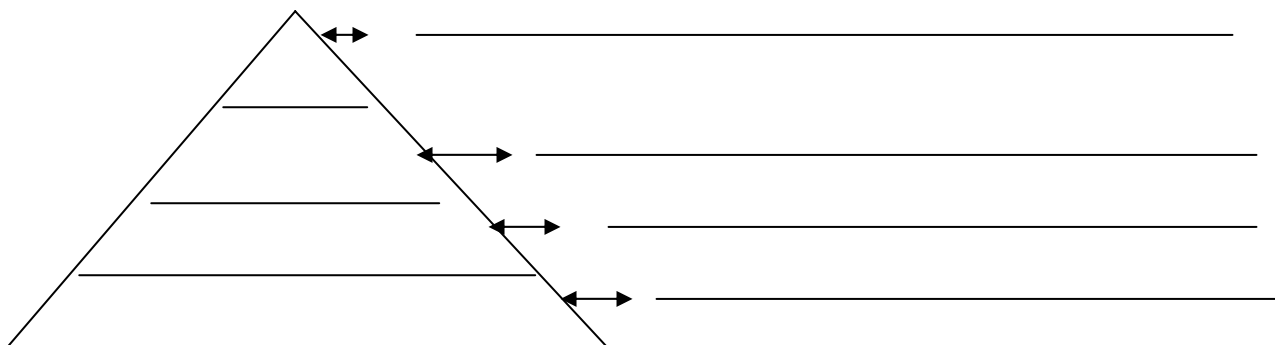
Early Pharaohs

1. The _____ was a period in Egyptian history that lasted for about _____ years, from _____ to _____ bc.
2. Why did Egyptians believe the pharaoh should have absolute power over all the land and people in Egypt?

3. Who was the most famous pharaoh of the Old Kingdom?

Society and Trade

4. Complete the following social pyramid, which represents the social classes within the Old Kingdom.



5. How was society structured in the Old Kingdom?

II. Religion and Egyptian Life

The Gods of Egypt

6. The Egyptians believed in many gods, which made them _____.

7. How did the worship of gods change during the Old Kingdom?

8. Complete the following chart.

Ptah	
	The god of the dead.
Re or Amon Re	
	The god of the underworld.
	The goddess of magic.
Horus	
Thoth	
	The earth god.

Emphasis of the Afterlife

9. What was the afterlife? How did the Egyptians view the afterlife?

10. What was the Ka? What happened to a person's Ka when they died?

11. What was put in tombs to fulfill a Ka's needs?

Burial Practices

12. Why did Egyptian's believe the body had to be preserved?

13. What was embalming for?

14. Describe the process of mummification.

15. How did religious beliefs affect Egyptian burial practices?

III. The Pyramids

16. What were Pyramids used as?

17. What is the largest Pyramid? How many limestone blocks did the Great Pyramid require?

Building Pyramids

18. Why do you think the tunnels that led to the pharaoh's burial chamber were sealed after his death?

Significance of the Pyramid

19. Why were pyramids important to the Ancient Egyptians?

20. What does the building of the pyramid tell us about Egyptian Society?
