

## Vocabulary

Word	Meaning
<b>symbol</b>	A mark or picture that represents something.
<b>combine</b>	To join together.
<b>hieroglyphics</b>	Ancient Egyptian writing using symbols to represent whole words.
<b>papyrus</b>	Material used by the Ancient Egyptians for writing or painting.
<b>texture</b>	The physical feel of a surface eg. rough, bumpy.
<b>shades</b>	Light and darker tones of one colour.
<b>tone</b>	How deep a shade is – ranging from very light to very dark.
<b>tertiary colour</b>	A colour that can be made using a secondary colour and a primary colour.
<b>artefacts</b>	Objects for example ornaments, jewellery or tools
<b>archaeology</b>	The study of the past by looking at the remains of objects.
<b>composition</b>	Where things are placed on the page eg. trees figures
<b>reflect</b>	Think deeply about what you have done
<b>evaluate</b>	Assess what worked well and how you might do it differently next time.



## Creating Art

The Ancient Egyptians used **papyrus** to write or paint on. Paintings could depict everyday life in Ancient Egypt, images of the gods or goddesses, or **hieroglyphics**.

Papyrus is a special kind of paper made using the stems of the papyrus plant which grows along the banks of the River Nile.



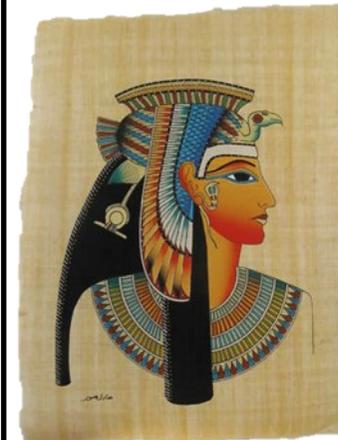
## Finding out about the past



The Ancient Egyptians used art to decorate lots of **artefacts**. This included jewellery and ornaments which **archaeologists** have discovered when exploring ancient sites.

The designs on the artefacts have told the archaeologists a lot about how people lived during Ancient Egyptian times. The symbols they used are called **hieroglyphics**. It took many years to figure out what all these symbols mean and how they can tell us lots about the past.

## Important People



We know a little bit about what some of the important people from Ancient Egypt (such as **pharaohs**) might have looked like from some of the images and statues that archaeologists have discovered.

## Exploring Artefacts



Look at these Ancient Egyptian artefacts.

- What do they represent?
- What might they have been used for?
- How are they similar or different?
- Where might you have found them?
- What colours have been used?
- Can you describe the **textures**?



## Ancient Egyptian Art

### Using Watercolour Paint



Watercolour paints are made from blocks of different colour **pigments**. To make the paint you have to use water on a paintbrush to activate the pigment on the block. The **intensity** of the colour will change with the amount of water you use. Less water will make the colour brighter and more intense. You can change the **shade** and **tone**.



Covering a large area of the paper with watercolour paint is called a **wash**. This is often used when painting a sky or background. An artist would paint these layers first and then put other layers over the top of that. Different brushes also create different effects.

### Extending your learning

5 things you could do at home to extend your learning:

- Look and feel the textures of different surfaces around you and outside – for example tree trunks, twigs, brickwork, paper.
- Identify different symbols on street signs when you are in a car or in the park and think about what they may represent.
- Design your own symbol that represents an aspect of Ancient Egyptian life.
- Visit the Ancient Egyptian artefacts at the British Museum
- Visit: [https://www.ducksters.com/history/art/ancient\\_egyptian\\_art.php](https://www.ducksters.com/history/art/ancient_egyptian_art.php)