

Write Like an Egyptian

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Coding

Write a message to your partner without using words or letters.
What did you come up with?



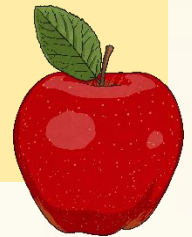
Hieroglyphs

Hieroglyphs are an ancient Egyptian way of writing that uses pictures instead of letters.

Decoding Task: Write the word 'apple' in hieroglyphs on your whiteboard.

1. How is it different or similar to writing in English?

2. How is 'apple' written in other languages?



The Rosetta Stone

The Rosetta Stone is famous because it contains hieroglyphic script that specialists were able to decode (make sense of).

It was found in 1799 and took twenty years to translate. It is inscribed in three parts; the top and middle texts written in Ancient Egyptian hieroglyphic script, and the bottom written in Ancient Greek.

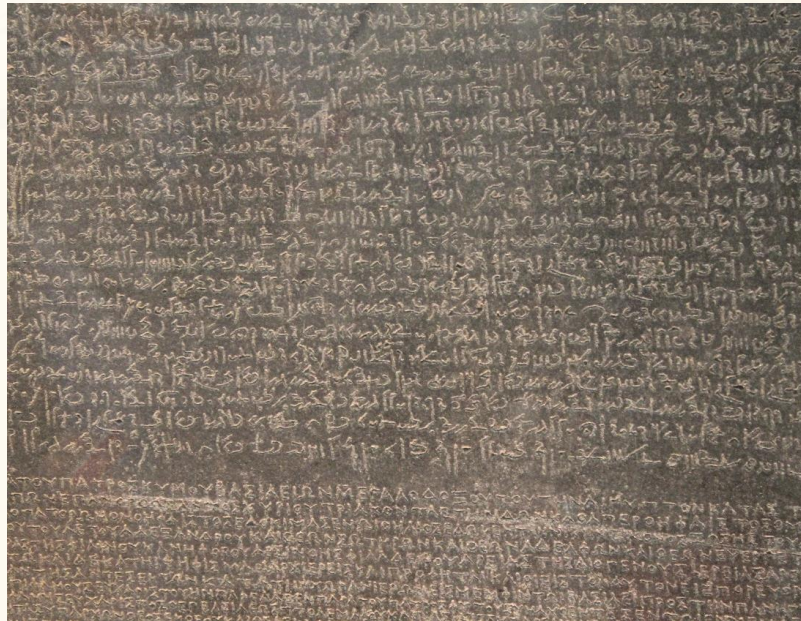


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Cartouches

The word 'hieroglyph' means sacred (or special) carving. There are over 700 hieroglyphs.

They can be written from the top to the bottom of the page, or across the page just as we write.

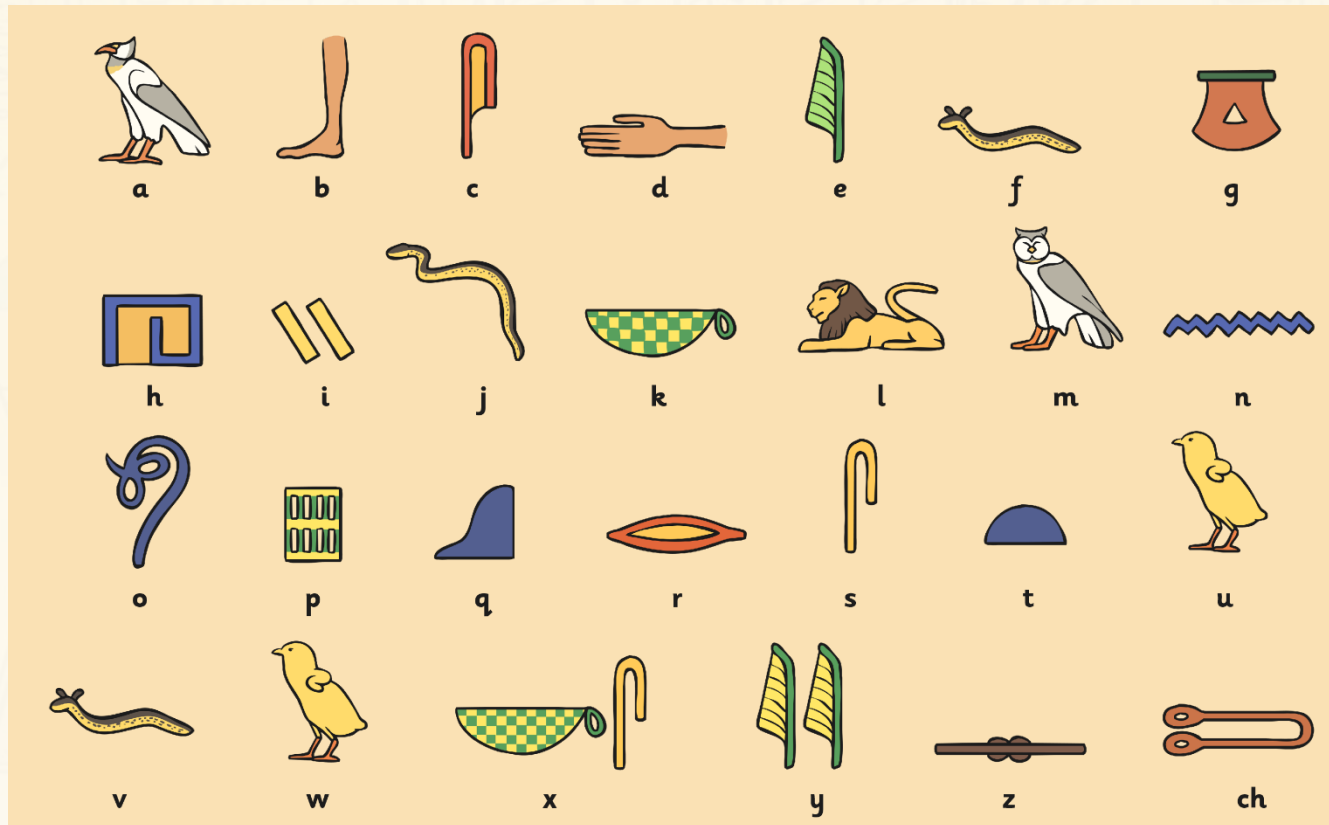
The Egyptians wrote the names of their kings or queens inside an oval shape called a **cartouche**, to show that they were special.

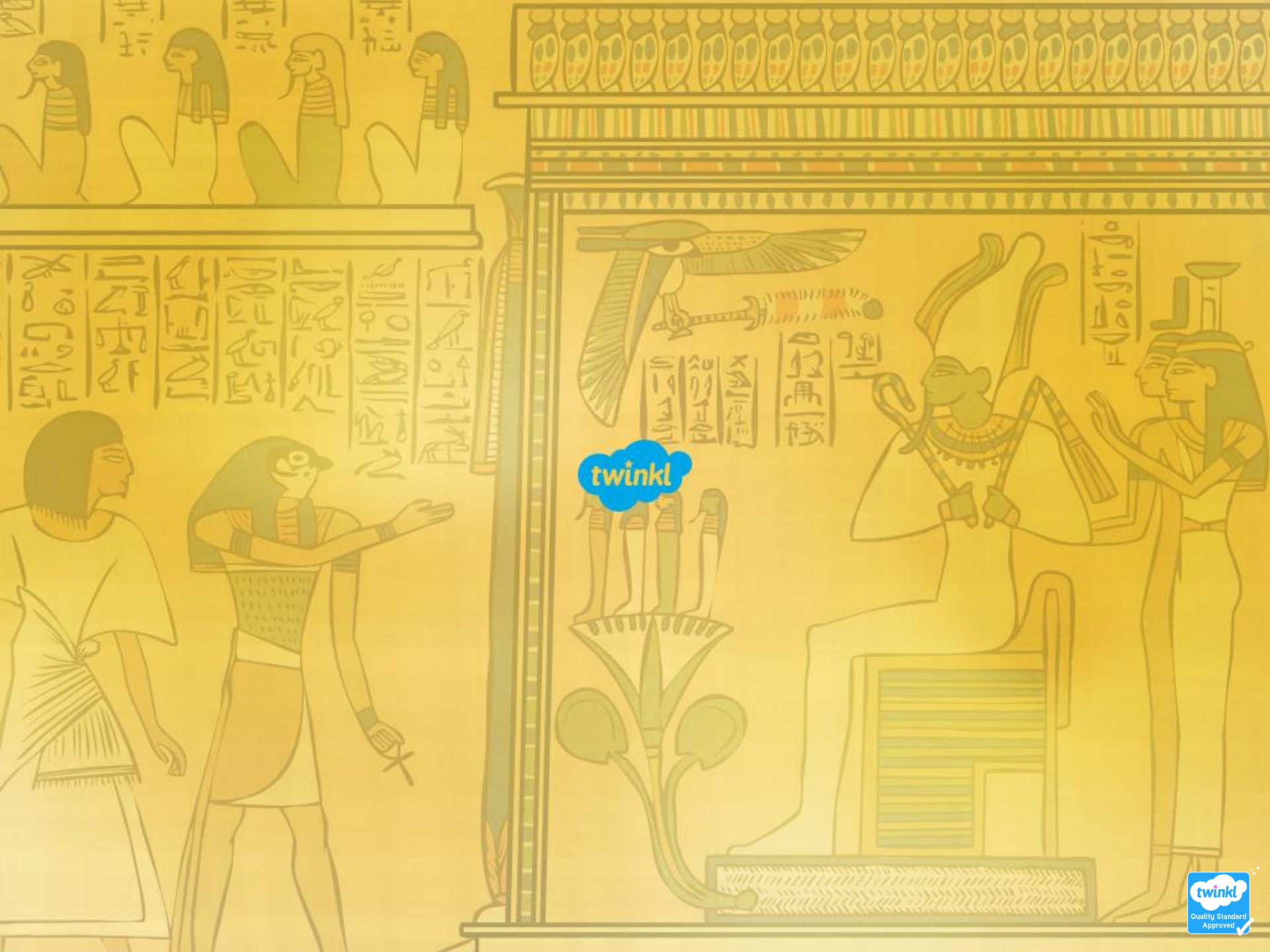


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Hangman

Play hangman using hieroglyphic letters instead of English letters.





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