Ancient Egypt

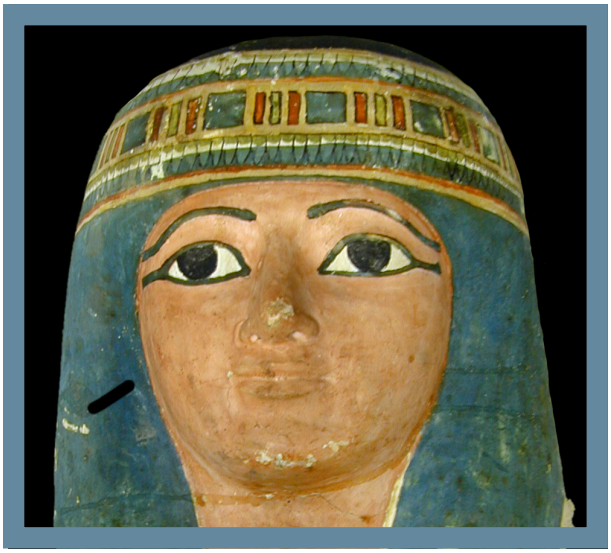
Pitt Rivers Museum

Key Stage 2

National Curriculum area: History

Length of session: 75 minutes

Maximum group size: 32



Session Outline

In this guided tour round the Museum pupils become detectives and search for objects that tell us about life in Ancient Egypt.

Activity 1 Becoming detectives

Pupils find out about their task to become detectives and track down Ancient Egyptian objects round the Museum.

Activity 2 Guided tour

Pupils are taken on an interactive guided tour of Ancient Egyptian objects round the Museum. Please organise groups to have a ratio of one Education Guide to every ten pupils.

Activity 3 Detective activity

Pupils track down Ancient Egyptian objects on the ground floor of the Museum in pairs or small groups.

Learning Outcomes

- Look in detail at objects which have survived from Ancient Egypt and see what they reveal about Egyptian life
- Identify distinctive characteristics of Ancient Egyptian objects
- Discover more about the afterlife, beliefs, appearance and communication in Ancient Egypt

Pre visit activities

Find out about the environment of Ancient Egypt - consider climate, plant and animal life.

Find out what artefacts have survived from Ancient Egypt.

Find out about important Gods and Goddesses in Ancient Egypt such as Isis, Osiris, Anubis and Horus.

Post visit activities

Research other objects that have survived from Ancient Egypt. You could look at the British Museum, the Egyptian Museum of Berlin and the Egyptian Museum in Cairo. Can you find objects similar to the ones in the Pitt Rivers Museum?

Find out why Ancient Egyptian objects can be found in collections all round the world. Do you think the artefacts should be returned to Egypt?

Create a guide on How to spot Ancient Egyptian objects in a Museum.



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