

Text: Dorling Kindersley: Ancient Egypt

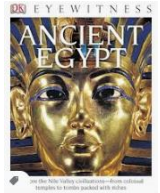
Ancient Egypt <https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/ancient-egypt/life-on-nile/>

Year 3 Reading

(Day 2)

Focus: **Retrieval**

Read the section (preferably the online version as it has great visuals) about life on the Nile.



Check that you know the meaning of these words in context:

rich soil	herding animals	chanted spells	provided	wealth	annual
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Activity:

Read the text to find at least one interesting fact about each of the following:

Subject	Interesting facts from text
Annual floods	
Fertile land	
Forts	
River Nile	





Steppingstone activity

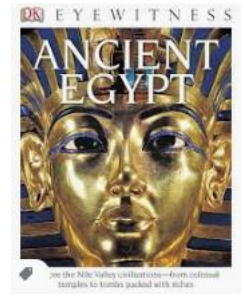
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Try to look at the online book with an adult.

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Click and explore on the Nile river.

Write and draw at least two facts about the river.

Example:



The River Nile brings water to the the desert.

Life on the Nile

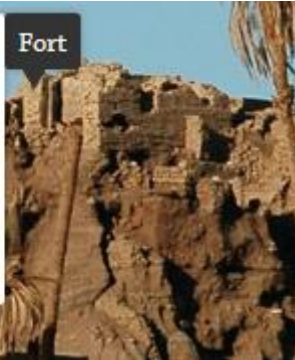


Egypt is surrounded by desert, so the Ancient Egyptians relied on the River Nile to provide fertile land for farming. Every year, the river floods, covering the fields along its banks with water. The floods wash down rich soil from the hills to the south. Ancient Egyptian farmers built ditches and low walls to trap the mud and water, giving them fertile soil to grow crops such as wheat, barley, and vegetables. The whole kingdom depended on the Nile floods. In dry years, many people would starve.

When herding animals across flooded areas, the Egyptians chanted spells to drive away crocodiles.

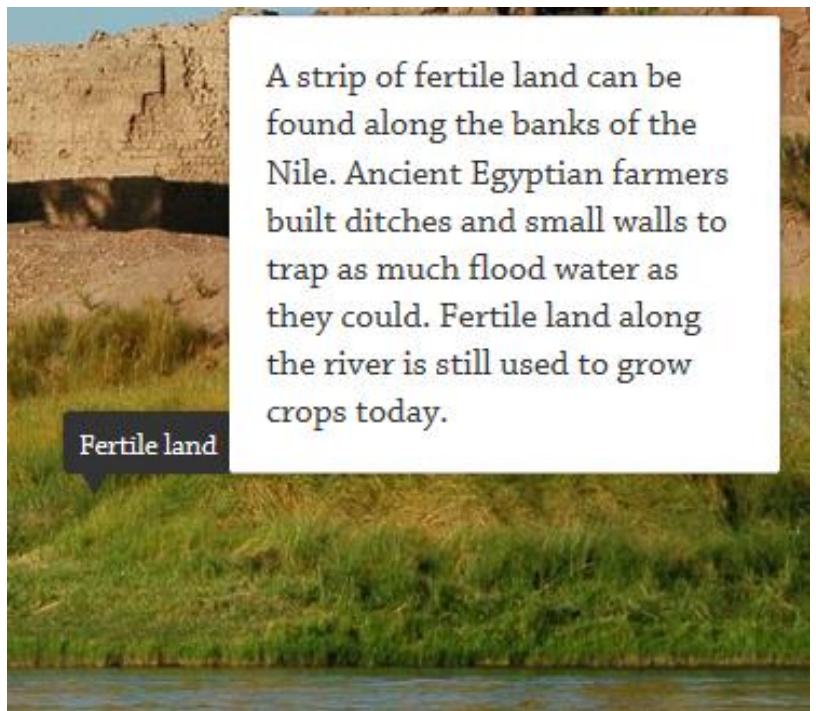
To the south of Egypt lay a rival kingdom called Nubia. Forts were built by the Nile in this area to keep watch for enemy boats.

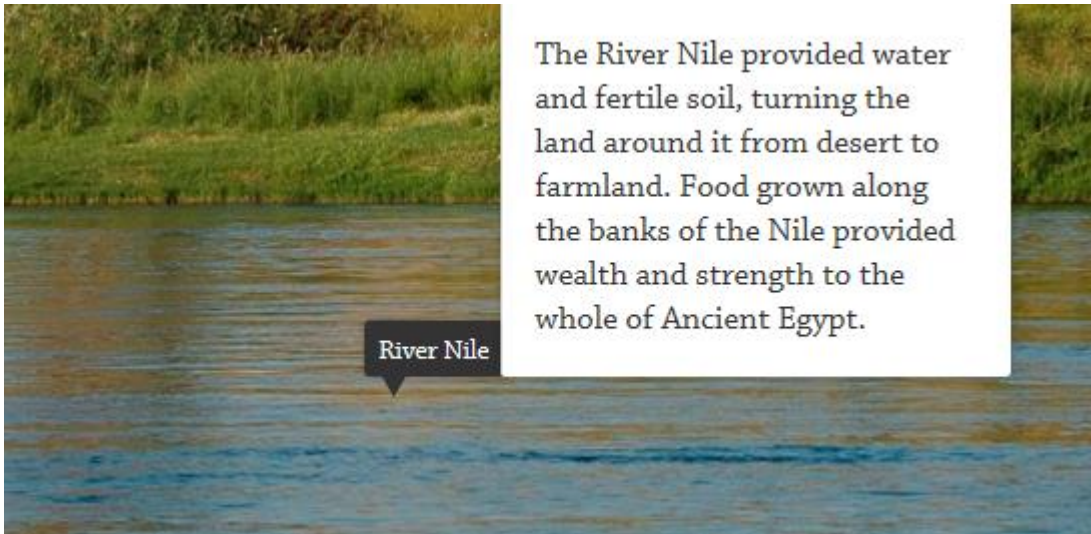
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A strip of fertile land can be found along the banks of the Nile. Ancient Egyptian farmers built ditches and small walls to trap as much flood water as they could. Fertile land along the river is still used to grow crops today.

Fertile land





The River Nile provided water and fertile soil, turning the land around it from desert to farmland. Food grown along the banks of the Nile provided wealth and strength to the whole of Ancient Egypt.

River Nile