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Ancient Egypt

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. Where is the Upper Nile located?

- A. in the northern part of Egypt
- B. in the southern part of Egypt
- C. to the east of the Nile Delta
- D. on the top of the pyramids

2. Menes was the _____.

- A. pharaoh who built the first pyramid
- B. god of death, life and fertility
- C. first to unite Egypt
- D. British Egyptologist who discovered King Tut's tomb

3. Pharaohs had pyramids built to _____.

- A. serve as their tombs
- B. communicate with the gods
- C. protect them from invaders
- D. prevent the Nile from flooding

4. What did archaeologists learn from the Rosetta Stone?

- A. They learned that ancient Egyptians did not believe in an afterlife.
- B. They learned how to read hieroglyphics.
- C. They learned the location of King Tut's tomb.
- D. They learned that the pyramids were built with ramps.

5. Papyrus was made from _____.

- A. reeds from the Nile
- B. silt from the Nile
- C. the same cloth used to wrap mummies
- D. sandstone

6. According to Egyptian mythology, in the afterlife _____.

- A. the evil are reborn as crocodiles
- B. the good live forever with the "lion of heaven"
- C. the soul is eaten by Osiris
- D. the heart is weighed against the "feather of truth"

7. Ramses the Great was so admired that _____.

- A. the Egyptians built him the largest pyramid
- B. the people made him into a god
- C. the capital city was renamed Ramses
- D. many other pharaohs took his name

8. Hatshepsut was _____.

- A. Thutmose's brother
- B. the first pharaoh buried in the Valley of the Kings
- C. a great female pharaoh
- D. a boy king

9. Which of the following is a **true** statement?

- A. The Nile flooded unpredictably and often destroyed the crops.
- B. The desert, Nile and Mediterranean provided natural protection from invasion.
- C. There were no farmers in ancient Egypt because of the infertile soil.
- D. It was easy and safe to sail down the Nile River.

10. Why did Egyptians mummify their dead?

- A. The desert would have dried out the bodies very quickly.
- B. The soil was too hard to bury the bodies.
- C. In order for their souls to exist in the afterlife, they believed their bodies had to be preserved.
- D. In order for souls to exist in the afterlife, they believed their bodies had to be hidden from gods.