

## **\*\*Ancient History of Egypt\*\***

### **\*\*Pharaonic Era\*\***

(3100 BC – 332 BC)

This era marks the beginning of ancient - Egyptian civilization, starting with the unification of Upper and Lower Egypt under King Menes. The civilization flourished with the construction of the pyramids, the development of hieroglyphic writing, and the reign of great pharaohs like .Ramses II, Tutankhamun, and Cleopatra VII

### **\*\*Ptolemaic Era\*\***

(332 BC – 30 BC)

It began with the conquest of Egypt by - Alexander the Great and continued under the rule of the Ptolemaic dynasty led by Ptolemy I. Alexandria became a major center of culture and .learning, with the famous Library of Alexandria

## **\*\*Roman and Byzantine Period \*\***

(641AD - BC 30)

After Cleopatra's death, Egypt became a - province of the Roman Empire. Alexandria continued to be a cultural and scientific hub during

## **\*\*Islamic Era \*\***

(641AD- 1517AD)

The Islamic conquest of Egypt began with Amr ibn al-As, transforming Egypt into a prosperous Islamic state. Egypt was ruled by various dynasties, including the Tulunids, Ikhshidids, Fatimids, .Ayyubids, and Mamluks

## **\*\*Ottoman Era(1517 AD – 1805AD)\*\***

Following the fall of the Mamluks, Egypt came - under Ottoman control, experiencing economic

and political challenges during centuries of  
.Ottoman rule

## **\*\*:Modern History of Egypt\*\***

**\*\*:(1805 - 1952) The Muhammad Ali Dynasty\*\*** .

Muhammad Ali Pasha founded modern Egypt -  
by modernizing the military, education, and  
1952industry. His dynasty ruled until the  
.revolution

**\*\*:Revolution and the Republic 1952The \*\*** .

Led by Gamal Abdel Nasser, the revolution -  
ended the monarchy and established a republic.  
This era saw the nationalization of the Suez Canal,  
the construction of the Aswan High Dam, and  
.several conflicts with Israel

## **Modern Wars**

Britain, France, and Israel 1956The Suez Crisis  
invaded Egypt following the nationalization of the  
.Suez Canal

Egypt was defeated by Israel, 1967 Six-Day War  
losing the Sinai Peninsula

Egypt launched a successful 1973 Yom Kippur War  
attack to reclaim Sinai

Egypt signed a peace treaty 1979 Peace Treaty  
with Israel, mediated by the U.S., which returned  
.Sinai to Egypt

Five Prominent Egyptian Governorates and Their  
\*\*:Histories

\*\*:Cairo\*\* .

AD, Cairo is 969 Founded by the Fatimids in -  
the administrative and cultural capital of Egypt. It  
hosts historical landmarks like Al-Azhar, the  
.Citadel, and the Egyptian Museum

\*\*:Alexandria\*\* .

BC, 331 Founded by Alexander the Great in -  
Alexandria was famous for its library and  
lighthouse, one of the Seven Wonders of the  
Ancient World. It remained a major commercial  
.and cultural center throughout history

### **\*\*Luxor\*\*** .

Known as the city of the kings and temples, -  
Luxor was the capital of Egypt during the New  
Kingdom. It is home to the Karnak and Luxor  
.Temples and the Valley of the Kings

### **\*\*Aswan\*\*** .

Aswan was an important trade center and port -  
on the Nile. It was known for its quarries, which  
.supplied stones for temples and statues

### **\*\*Port Said\*\*** .

th century during the 19Established in the -  
construction of the Suez Canal, Port Said became a  
major industrial and commercial city and played a  
.significant role during the Suez Crisis

### **\*\*Sinai Peninsula\*\***

Historically a strategic land bridge between -  
Africa and Asia, Sinai has been a battleground for  
many conflicts, including the wars between Egypt

and Israel. It is home to St. Catherine's Monastery, one of the oldest Christian monasteries in the world, and is known for its natural beauty and .religious significance

Egypt's history is a rich tapestry that blends ancient and modern civilizations, making it a unique crossroads between the East and West .throughout the ages

### **\*\*Famous Landmarks in Egypt\*\***

#### **\*\*The Pyramids of Giza and the Sphinx\*\* .**

Located near Cairo, these iconic structures - were built during the Old Kingdom as tombs for the pharaohs. The Great Pyramid of Giza is one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World and the .only one still in existence

#### **\*\*Karnak Temple Complex\*\* .**

Situated in Luxor, Karnak is one of the largest - religious complexes ever built, dedicated primarily

to the god Amun. It features massive columns,  
.obelisks, and statues

### **\*\*The Valley of the Kings\*\*** .

Located on the west bank of the Nile in Luxor, -  
this valley is the burial site of many New Kingdom  
.pharaohs, including the tomb of Tutankhamun

### **\*\*Abu Simbel Temples\*\*** .

Carved into a mountainside by Ramses II, -  
these monumental temples in Aswan are famous  
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### **\*\*The Egyptian Museum\*\*** .

Located in Cairo, the museum houses an -  
extensive collection of ancient Egyptian  
antiquities, including the treasures of  
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### **Citadel of Saladin and Muhammad Ali \*\*** .

#### **\*\*Mosque**

Situated in Cairo, the citadel was built by -  
th century and later became the 12Saladin in the

site of the impressive Muhammad Ali Mosque,  
.offering panoramic views of the city

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### **\*\*:St. Catherine's Monastery\*\*** .

Located in the Sinai Peninsula at the foot of -  
Mount Sinai, this ancient monastery is a UNESCO  
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.the world

### **\*\*:The Library of Alexandria\*\*** .

While the original ancient library no longer -  
exists, the modern Bibliotheca Alexandrina serves  
as a cultural center and tribute to the historical  
significance of Alexandria as a center of  
.knowledge

### **\*\*:The Suez Canal\*\*** .



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