

Quick Check

Valley of the Kings

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Instructions: Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. Why is the Valley of the Kings an important archaeological site?
 - Ⓐ It houses the tombs of almost every pharaoh of Egypt's golden age.
 - Ⓑ It is home to numerous palaces from ancient Egypt.
 - Ⓒ It is the location of the palace of the current pharaoh of Egypt.
 - Ⓓ It is the only known burial site from ancient Egypt.
2. Which of the following is not a reason that the valley was chosen as a burial ground?
 - Ⓐ The valley was the only available land to build tombs.
 - Ⓑ The limestone formations could easily be chiseled to form tombs.
 - Ⓒ The valley's steep cliffs and single access point made it easy to guard.
 - Ⓓ The valley was several hours away from the city.
3. Why did royal tombs hold a wide variety of supplies?
 - Ⓐ so the pharaoh's family could come and visit his tomb
 - Ⓑ so that no one else could have the pharaoh's possessions
 - Ⓒ so the pharaoh would have everything he needed in the afterlife
 - Ⓓ so that the pharaoh's possessions would stay safe from thieves
4. Which of the following is a detail for the section "The Valley of the Kings Today"?
 - Ⓐ The Valley of the Kings is located in Egypt.
 - Ⓑ Howard Carter uncovered the stairs of King Tutankhamen's tomb in 1922.
 - Ⓒ The city of Thebes was Egypt's capital and religious center.
 - Ⓓ Over a million people visit the Valley of the Kings each year.

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5. What is another word for **animate**?

- Ⓐ decay
- Ⓑ enliven
- Ⓒ extract
- Ⓓ soft

6. **Extended Response:** How has studying the tombs of the Valley of the Kings revealed ancient Egyptian religious beliefs?



1. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓐ *Cause and Effect*
3. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
4. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
5. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
6. Answers will vary but should include a discussion of the afterlife and how ancient Egyptians believed the pharaoh would travel through the underworld to the afterlife and come alive again.