

I. Egyptian Kingship

1. Dynasty to Dynasty

- 1. Egypt had 31 Dynasties and three major periods called Kingdoms – Old, Middle, & New Kingdoms**
- 2. The times between the kingdoms were times of war**

2. Egypt is unified

- 1. The first dynasty began when a king named Menes united upper and lower Egypt**

3. All-Powerful Pharaohs

- 1. Pharaohs had complete control over their people**
- 2. Pharaohs were believed to be god-kings**

II. The Three Kingdoms

1. Old Kingdom

- 1. Peace and trade was kept with Nubia**
- 2. Most of the Pyramids were built during this kingdom**

2. Middle Kingdom

- 1. Pharaohs spent nations wealth on public works instead of wars**
- 2. Money was spent on buildings and irrigation projects**

3. New Kingdom

- 1. Began in 1567_{B.C.}, had huge armies of foot soldiers, mounted warriors, and charioteers-nearly unbeatable**
- 2. King Tut was a popular Pharaoh during this kingdom and his treasures tell us a great deal about Egypt**

III. Rule During the New Kingdom

- 1. The New kingdom had many powerful rulers – King Tut, Queen Hatshepsut, and Thutmose III, and Cleopatra VII**
- 2. Toward the end of the New Kingdom, Egypt declined and civil war left it weak and poor**
- 3. Egypt fell to the famous conqueror Alexander the Great**
- 4. Cleopatra VII was the last pharaoh of Egypt before it became part of the Roman Empire in 31_{B.C.}**