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#### ABSTRACT

In this study of the treatment of Egypt in elementary and secondary school literature, the content of 109 textbooks and 180 supplementary works is analyzed and evaluated and recommendations for specific corrections and additions are presented. The purpose is to alert the authors of educational materials and teachers about the imperfections in literature on Egypt currently available in the United States. Specific comments are made about educational literature concerning geography; history and politics; art, architecture, language, and literature; society; and religion. A general conclusion is that the practice of presenting information which has omitted certain facts on Egypt results in the creation of negative images. Egypt is generally depicted as passive and unchanging, as shown in discussions of ancient Egypt and the modern fellah (farmer). It is depicted as being aggressive, as shown by Nasser's purported attempts to dominate the Arab world, his attacks on Israel, and his relations with the West. It is recommended that foreign area study programs be funded, textbook publishers confer with area specialists, and authors and teachers become better informed. To encourage this, annotated booklists and lists of films are provided which give a background on Egyptian history and culture. Almost 300 books with a note on educational level, and over 200 films with a note on length are li ted. Most materials were developed or published in the 1960s and 7us. (AV)

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#### INTRODUCTION

In this age of supersonic diplomacy and instant news coverage of international events on home television, the average American student has become increasingly aware of other peoples and cultures. This heightened awareness brings an increased need for an understanding of our world neighbors at an early age if that passive knowledge is to have a lasting and beneficial effect. The process of promoting international understanding is begun in the formative years of the child through courses in world geography, world cultures, and world history in elementary and high schools. However, the teachers of these courses are faced with a problem: do they discuss each of the 145 or so members of the United Nations, allowing a single lesson each day to one of these states, or should particular attention be directed to only certain countries? Of course the latter is the only logical alternative. The problem still remains of how to select those states that will be examined in detail.

Leonard Kenworthy, in his book <u>Social Studies for the Seventies</u> (Waltham, Mass., 1969, pp. 453-57), has defined a set of criteria which can be utilized to determine what nations deserve special attention. In reviewing factors such as available material, classification as an "emerging nation", representation of a cultural area and the existence of biases, Kenworthy has proposed that Egypt should be one of the countries to be studied.

The case for the inclusion of Egypt in this group is strong. Egypt has long been a subject of American school curricula at Lany levels -- due in large part to fascination for its ancient civilization -- and there are volumes and volumes written specifically for the juvenile audience. Aside from that, Egypt has been the acknowledged leader of the Arab World for the past twenty years and has played an



important role in "third world" or "emerging nation" politics for equally as long.

Before the modern era, the country was prominent in the Mu empires as both a political and cultural center. Egypt is furthermore an abolitural country plagued by a lack of water, a problem shared by many of the world's sions. Finally, as one of the leading participants in the explosive Middle Eastern conflict between Arab and Israeli, it is constantly in the news and opinions are easily formed which may be inaccurate.

These factors provide the rationale for this study of primary and secondary school literature available in the United States on Egypt Our purpose is to inform the author and teacher, who are, understandably non-specialists, about the general trends in the literature and to point out imperfections in currently available material in order that future works may be corrected and material added.

This study begins with a general survey of the content, scope and emphasis of the educational material that is available on Egypt divided by subject heading and by age group (primary K-7, secondary 8-12). A section is also included outlining our general recommendations and including a booklist of suitable works dealing with Egypt for the non-specialist author and teacher.

We have reviewed both textbooks and supplementary materials -- fiction and non-fiction -- for elementary and secondary students. In selecting supplementary books, we have relied exclusively on the guidelines for recommended age groups presented in <u>Books in Print</u> and <u>Children's Ca alog</u>. This has necessitated the omission of many works that might otherwise be utilized by advanced secondary level students, but any other decision would have required adopting more arbitrary guidelines for inclusion. All of the books in our list of sources for authors and teachers are suitable for use the advanced student. Annotated bibliographies of all the textbooks and supply books reviewed are included.



No study of this scope can be accomplished without the aid of many people.

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#### GEOGRAPHY

#### The Nile

The geographical coverage of Egypt, for all grade levels and in all types of literature, is dominated by the Nile River. The vital importance of the Nile to Egypt is demonstrated, in nearly every book dealing with Egypt to any extent, by Herodotus' observation that "Egypt is the gift of the Nile."

Better texts and most supplementary works on Egypt explain that the Nile begins as two rivers, the White and the Blue Niles, in the Ugandan and Ethiopian highlands. These rivers flow northward until they meet at Khartoum in the Sudan. The river continues northward, joined only by the Atbara, to the Mediterranean, losing water throughout the entire length of its 1,600 mile journey through Egypt from evaporation and irrigation.

In Egypt, the Nile is the source of a narrow oasis, only two to ten miles in width, which bisects the deserts that cover the overwhelming majority of the country's territory. In northern Egypt the oasis broadens into the delta, so called because of its similarity to the Greek letter  $\Delta$ , formed by the settling of the sediments carried by the river and deposited through the centuries.

The fertility of the Nile valley is attributed to the annual flooding of the river which had occurred for thousands of years before the construction of flood-control devices. The Nile traditionally began to rise in June, due to increased run-off at its sources, and continued to do so until October when the flood reached its peak. Because of Egypt's dry climate (southern Egypt receives almost no rain while the Delta may average two inches per year) the Egyptian farmer, the fellah (pl. fellahin), was dependent on this flood for both moisture for his crops and nutrients for the soil.



While the material available on the Nile is generally adequate, one could hope for specific improvements. The actual geography of the river is rarely discussed in detail. While the student does learn that the Nile originates in Ethiopia and Uganda, that it has one northern tributary and is 4,100 miles long, there is little information on the cataracts or the physical appearance of the valley.

### Irrigation

As alluded to briefly above, the annual flood of the Nile was the earliest form of irrigation. The <u>fellah</u> would construct dikes around his fields to trap the flood waters. The water caught in the basins (hence the term basin irrigation) would soak into the ground, providing moisture for the crops, and the silt carried in the water would settle on the land, providing nutrients for the soil. The crops were then planted in the mud.

Basin irrigation was only adequate for rapidly growing crops, which would mature before the ground dried out, and for only one crop per year. Crops with longer growing seasons or summer crops, such as cotton, required further irrigation. In these cases, the <u>fellah</u> lifted the water from the Nile or from canals to his fields. The student is generally introduced to two of the most important devices utilized by the Egyptian peasant, the <u>shaduf</u> (lever and counterweight) and <u>saqiya</u> (water wheel). The student is also informed that in most areas of Egypt, insufficient access to water permitted only one crop per year.

All sources are in general agreement that year-round irrigation, made possible by both Aswan Dams and other lesser structures which hold back the flood waters and maintain a consistent Nile level, has been beneficial. Year-round irrigation has permitted the planting of two and sometimes three crops per year. However, a general decline in soil fertility and the subsequent need for artificial fertilizers has been attributed to the absence of the annual flood and its nutrient-supplying silt.



Certain distortions are present in the discussions of irrigation. First, the student gets an inaccurate description of the annual flood. It is rarely stated that there was great fluctuation in the volume of the flood resulting in either widespread famine or destruction. Conditions were rarely ideal. Second, the case against perennial irrigation, based on the absence of silt from the annual flood, is generally over-stated. While the deposit of silt did provide much needed nutrients for the soil, double and even triple cropping seems to be by far the greater cause for the decline in soil fertility. The fact that during basin agriculture the fields were permitted, or required by necessity, to remain fallow for a large part of the year is generally mentioned, but the importance of this practice to soil fertility is not stressed. The problem of leaching, the percolation of salts to the surface which plagues all areas of continual irrigation, is rarely discussed, as is the practice of planting Egyptian clover, an alfalfa-like grass that restores nitrogen to the soil.

The student will have the general impression, from reading the literature, that irrigation in the summer months only became possible when the British began constructing dams to control the annual flood. In fact, perennial irrigation has been practiced since pharaonic times, although at a very low level. The ancient fellah carried water in jars to his fields until the shaduf was introduced during the New Kingdom, and deep canals were constructed, although used primarily for shipping. The canal system was restored and expanded during the reign of Muhammad Ali as part of his program for developing the cotton industry. Barrages were also constructed to raise the level of the river.

Egypt's grandest flood control device, the Aswan High Dam, receives mixed notices. Most authors cite the beneficial aspects of the new dam, and comments like, "Water from the dam will expand Egypt's farmland by 25%. The hydroelectric generators provide sir times more electricity than the whole country produced before" (Yohe,



Exploring World Peoples: Eastern Hemisphere, p. 409) are the rule. However, some works, such as P. Brandwein's Sources of Identity (pp. 44-45) and James' Latin America and the East stress the failures of the dam, such as the loss of sediment, erosion of the Nile's banks, the high evaporation rate in Lake Wasser and the increase in the incidence of Bilharzia.

### The Suez Canal

The second geographical feature receiving general coverage is the Suez Canal, although it is viewed primarily from the stand-point of its politico-strategic importance. The student will learn that the canal is a sea-level ditch -- as contrasted to the Panama Canal which requires locks to raise and lower ships -- which is 107 miles long, narrow and shallow. Its prime importance is that it has shortened the length of a voyage between Asia and Europe by 4,500 miles.

This geographical discussion of the Suez Canal is woefully inadequate.

Undoubtedly the best source on the geography of the canal is Sondegaard's <u>First</u>

Geography of the Suez Canal, a book written for the youngest of readers. Only here will one find a general description of the full length of the canal, the important cities on its banks and a discussion of the problem of erosion that plagues its operation.

#### The Deserts

Because of the overwhelming importance of the Nile River, the 95% of the territory outside of the valley is generally ignored. Descriptions of the country rarely explain the historical division of Upper (southern) and Lower (northern) Egypt, although these terms constantly occur in discussions of ancient Egypt's Upper and Lower Kingdoms. When the division is mentioned, it is not usually explained that the terms are in reference to the Nile River, whose upper course is in the south.



One searches in vain for descriptions of Egypt's vast desert expanses. Only a few of the supplementary texts, most notably Gartler and Lengyl, explain that Egypt is divided by the Nile into the Western and Arabian Deserts. Even when the deserts are mentioned there is little or no discussion of their terrain. One assumes that they are flat expanses of deep sand, a picture that is totally inaccurate. The Qattara Depression in the west and the Sinai Peninsula in the east are rarely discussed.

The student will generally assume that the Nile Valley is the only fertile area in the entire country. This false assumption arises from the fact that Egypt's six great cases in the Western Desert, al-Fayyum, al-Siwa, al-Kharijah, al-Dakhilah, al-Farafirah, and al-Bahriyah, are ignored. The discussions in Shorter's Eleven Nations of the rock structure beneath the desert which has trapped a great underground lake and makes irrigation possible and of the system of Roman cisterns are unique and most valuable for the student hoping to understand dry-land agriculture.

#### Resources

There is a general absence of information on resources outside of the agricultural sector. While Egypt lacks forests and has only small coal deposits, there are oil deposits in the Sinai and in the Western Desert near al-Alamain, and the High Dam provides hydro-electric power for industry. Manganese and iron ore are available in commercial quantities and serve as the basis for heavy industry within the country. Gypsum for cement and nitrates for fertilizer are also available.

#### Demographics

Although Egyptian society will be discussed in some detail elsewhere, the student is provided with some basic demographic information. All the literature on



Egypt accurately describes the great increases in the country's population as its principal problem. The population is concentrated along the Nile with 95% of Egypt's people living in that fertile valley, and the Delta being one of the most crowded regions of the world. The country's two principal cities, Cairo, the capital and largest city in Africa, and Alexandria, the main port, are described as mixtures of old and new. The <u>fellahin</u> comprise the greatest numbers within the population, and the <u>bedouin</u> receive practically no coverage.

### Maps

The maps of Egypt presented in most books are generally poor quality line maps providing only a minimum of information such as the location of the Nile, the canal and principal cities. One would prefer the types of maps presented in Kolerzon's The Afro-Asian World. In a series of color-coded maps, the author offers physical contour, rainfall, land use, population and general political information. This graphic presentation has a much greater impact on the student than a straight textural presentation. Authors are also to be reminded that the Sinai peninsula, although under Israeli occupation, remains officially a part of Egypt.

### The Importance of Geography

One of the most valuable aspects of the geographical coverage of Egypt is the attempt to establish a connection between geography and politico-historical development. The motivation for the establishment of central government is attributed to the need for irrigation which required a high degree of cooperation. Measuring systems, such as surveying and the solar calendar, two of ancient Egypt's contributions to modern civilization, are also attributed to the need for irrigation. Political centralization was facilitated by the country's geography. The population



was concentrated along the river, and the Nile provided an easy line of communication and control. Egypt's isolation, which contributed to the social conservatism of the country, was a result of the fact that the Nile Valley is surrounded by almost impassable deserts. Finally, the political implications of the Suez Canal receive excellent coverage.

We can only find fault with one of these contentions. Recent scholarship has emphasized that basin irrigation does not require centralized government. These findings demand serious revision of virtually every textbook and supplementary work as the "hydraulic hypothesis" remains a cornerstone of the discussion of the establishment of Egyptian civilization.



### HISTORY AND POLITICS

History and politics do not usually become topics of study for the student until the secondary grades, as social studies programs in the primary schools tend to concentrate on "world cultures" and "world geography". Much the same holds for supplementary materials which, for the younger readers, focus more on the visual aspects of the culture, such as art and architecture, rather than on its chronological development. Only brief introductions to history and politics are included in the latter works. It is in the secondary world history courses that the student studie Egyptian political history in any depth. The interested student can find ample historical information in supplementary books.

# Ancient Egypt - History

Historical information on ancient Egypt in primary level textbooks will usually include information on the formation of the ancient Egyptian kingdom. The evolution to centralized government, as mentioned earlier, is depicted as arising out of the need for men to cooperate in order to organize the irrigation systems upon which farming was dependent—a somewhat oversimplistic description of the formation of the villages, then provinces (nomes), kingdoms and eventually the two kingdoms of Upper and Lower Egypt. These two kingdoms were eventually joined by Menes, also known as Narmer, the first pharaoh of united Egypt, about 3,000 B.C. Menes established his capital at Memphis. Further historical discussion is limited, with pharaohs Akhenaton and Tutankhamen usually being mentioned because of their cultural significance. All consideration of ancient Egypt ends with the Assyrian conquest in 663 B.C.

It is in some ways regrettable that the authors of primary school textbooks have chosen to ignore history almost completely as it results in an almost complete absence of historical perspective. This whole attitude toward history contributes to the characterization of Egypt as inherently conservative and unchanging, a



generalization that authors are not reluctant to state. For example, pyramids are discussed in every text, but it is not emphasized that these huge buildings were constructed very early in the civilization, and the student is left with the impression that all pharaohs built pyramids. This creates an image in the student's mind that is inaccurate and potentially negative. Ancient Egypt certainly did not possess the dynamism of 20th century American culture, but that is not to say that it remained static for 2,500 years! Change was slow, but it did occur, as will be domonstrated in other sections of this survey.

These criticisms are not to say that we propose that the sixth grader be forced to study names and dates; nothing could be further from our intent. The basic concept of focusing on culture is desirable for this age group, but we would hope that cultural developments could be placed in an historical context. To continue our example of the pyramids, it is not too sophisticated a concept to introduce to the sixth or seventh grader that these structures represent a riod of absolute power by the pharaoh and were not built in later years when the pharaoh's powers were more prescribed. There must be a greater integration of subject matter.

Much more emphasis is placed on history in the textbooks written for secondary school students. The information on the initial organization of government and the eventual unification of the country under Menes differs little from that presented in the elementary texts, but some texts (see Abramowitz, World History, p. 29) inform the student that some Asian influences might have inspired the formation of government. Egyptian history is also divided into three general periods, the Old, Middle and New Kingdoms, with some discussion of developments in each of these periods.

The Old Kingdom period (2700-2200 B.C.) is noted for its great engineering and architectural advances, especially the construction of the pyramids. There were some minor military engagements during the era, most importantly with Nubia, but Egypt remained confined to the Nile Valley and largely isolated from external influence.



Between the collapse of the Old Kingdom and the establishment of the Middle Kingdom there was a period of political disunity when the nobles grew powerful at the expense of the pharaoh and began to rule independently. This chaotic situation was further aggravated by attacks by Asiatics on the Delta region. The Kingdom was reunited by a Theban family and the Middle Kingdom period (2100-1788 B.C.), with its capital at Thebes, commenced. This period is noted for the flourishing of the arts and literature and the conquest of Nubia.

The collapse of the Middle Kingdom was marked by the same kind of disorders that ended the Old Kingdom. In this case, however, a foreign dynasty, the Hyksos or 'Shepherd Kings", came out of Asia to rule over Egypt. Another Theban family was able to rally Egyptian opposition to the foreigners and expelled them, thereby beginning the New Kingdom period (1580-1090 B.C.).

The New Kingdom period is marked by important political and cultural advances. Politically, Thutmosis III was able to adopt the new modes of warfare introduced by the Hyksos, most notably the horse-drawn chariot, and establish the first Egyptian empire in Palestine and Syria. The empire is inaccurately depicted as having slipped away during the religious upheavals associated with Akhenaton's reign, but was then restored during the reigns of the various Rameseses, an interesting generalization when one considers that this covers a period from 1290-1085 B.C. Rameses II is also often associated with the exodus although it was more probably his successor, Merenptah, who released the Jews from their bondage and permitted their return to Talestine. As with the elementary texts, ancient history is depicted as having ended with the Assyrian conquest.

Secondary school textbooks are adequate in their historical coverage up to the end of the New Kingdom, as they present a good summary of what is considered to be historical fact. There are some specific improvements that could be made, aside from



those mentioned in the discussion of the New Kingdom period. First, although we would like to keep dates to a minimum, some would be useful and we suggest that at least the dates of the various periods be included for ease in cross-cultural comparisons. Second, one would hope for an explanation of the fact that the Old Kingdom period does not begin with Menes, the unifier of Egypt, but with the first pharach of the Third Dynasty, Zoser, and why this is so. Further explanation of the factors leading to the breakdown of the various kingdoms is also required, as is more emphasis on relations with Nubia, Libya and Asia. Egypt may have been physically isolated, but it certainly was not closed to outside influence.

A conceptual change is in order for secondary level textbooks. As currently presented, world history is principally an exercise in chronology and, as such, has little relevance or interest to the majority of students. This situation could be improved by introducing historical method. This initiation into the study of history could start with a discussion of sources. The student has been introduced to hieroglyphics and archaeology, our principal historical sources; he could also be introduced to later sources, such as Manetho and Herodotus. Chronology is, undeniably, important, but the background as to how the chronology was arrived at is more interesting. More importantly, the student is provided with a tool that can be applied to later historical inquiry.

Egyptian history and politics, with the majority of them written for the secondary level student. Generally, the periodization presented in the textbooks is further refined to separate the intermediate periods from the kingdom periods. The student also learns that ancient Egyptian history from the time of Menes to the conquest of the country by Alexander the Great in 332 B.C. is also broken down into thirty-one dynasties.



Supplementary materials, with few exceptions, tend to focus on the New Kingdom period. Most of the material presented is in the form of biographical studies of various rulers which occur in books such as Leonard Cottrell's The Warrior Fharachs and Five Queens of Ancient Egypt. These two works, and many of equal quality, often take the form of historical incition with the author weaving an interesting narrative into the historical fabric of events. It is in these works that the student will learn of Ahmose I who drove the Hyksos from Egypt and re-united the kingdom, of the co-rulership of Queen Hatshepsut and Thutmosis III, which is erroneously depicted as a struggle for power, of the subsequent conquests of Thutmosis III, especially in Syria with the Battle of Megiddo, of Akhenaton and Tutankhamen and of Rameses II's war with the Hittites and his victory at the Battle of Kadesh. Once again, as with the historical coverage in the textbooks, the Assyrian Conquest marks the end of ancient Egyptian history, although the general histories do mention that the Assyrians were followed by Persians and Greeks.

One can only criticize the supplementary sources on specific issues as they generally do a very good job in surveying ancient Egyptian history. An excellent introduction to the problems involved in studying this period is presented in Leonard Cottrell's Life Under the Pharaohs. Of the general surveys, Lionel Casson's Ancient Egypt presents a very clear historical narrative divorced from cultural developments, and one should also consult Isaac Asimov's The Egyptians. Specialized studies include M. Cormack's Imhotep: Builder in Stone and C. Aldred's Egypt to the End of the Old Kingdom on the Old Kingdom period, S. Miller and E. Ochsenschlager, The Egyptians in the Middle Kingdom, for the Middle Kingdom period, while the works mentioned above by Leonard Cottrell on the New Kingdom provide a good survey of that period. These works, and a number of others to be found in the bibliography, will provide the student with an excellent foundation on which he can base further studies in books written for more advanced students.



#### Government

Primary level textbooks also usually provide a general statement on the government of ancient Egypt. The pharaoh is depicted as being a god, an absolute monarch and owner of all the land and resources of Egypt.

The material presented on pharaonic government in secondary level textbooks differs little from that in primary texts. The student is informed that the word "pharaoh" originated with the ancient Egyptian term per o which meant "great house" of the royal residence. This term was used to refer to the ruler, as it was felt that it was disrespectful to refer to the royal personage by his proper name. The pharaoh is depicted as an absolute ruler, except during the periods of chaos between the various kingdoms, and some mention is made of the importance of the bureaucracy and priestly hierarchy in the administration of the state in later periods.

These general statements about Egyptian government are an excellent example of the problems caused by a lack of historical perspective. The pharach was certainly not an all-powerful monarch throughout the 2500 years of ancient Egyptian history. While the office of pharach was divine, the holder of the office had his powers limited over time. Statements of the kind made in textbooks totally ignore the developments of the various intermediate periods between the kingdoms, when many men vied for control of Egypt, the regencies of the New Kingdom and the struggles of the late New Kingdom between various groups for the control of the state. The fact that the term pharach was not used before the time of Akhenaton, should also be mentioned, and the question of succession should be examined.

### Pharaoh to Farouk

While it is understandable that the approximately 2600 years between the fall of the pharaohs to Assyrian conquerors and the Young Colonel's coup of 1952 should receive only cursory coverage, some background to the highlights mentioned should be presented. Textual coverage appears only in secondary level sources and is



limited to the mention of Egypt as being among the territories conquered by one aspirant to world rule or another. This list includes the Assyrians, Nubians, Persians, Alexander the Great, the Ptolemies, Caesar and the Romans, the Byzantines, the Arabs, the Ottoman Turks, Napoleon and, finally, the British. Except for the latter, no historical or political information on Egypt during domination by these various foreign rulers is presented.

British occupation is attributed, variably, to the financial mismanagement of the Egyptian rulers (Becker, Modern History, pp. 378-81) and/or the British fear for the security of the Suez Canal (O'Conner, Exploring World History, p. 480 and Groisser, World History, p. 273). British "contributions" to Egypt are too often stressed (See for example Brinton, A History of Civilization and Cutright, Living in the Old World, while Abramowitz's statement concerning Fritish curbing of Egyptian nationalism (World History, p. 348) is closer to Egypt's experience under the British.

It is unfortunate that the authors of children's literature have not adopted the classical periodization of Egyptian history, which marks the end of ancient history with Alexander's conquest of the country in 332 B.C. Ending it there, rather then with Rameses III, as most narratives do or with the Assyrian conquest, would provide an opportunity to discuss the Mubian Dynasty, which is frequently covered in works focusing on ancient Africa, such as Lester Brooks' Great Civilizations of Ancient Africa, Drower's Mubia, and E.H. Johnson's Piankhy the Great, as well as the important Saite Dynasty, under which Egypt experienced a cultural revival.

Of the supplementary books purporting to cover the period between Alexander's conquest and the Arab conquest in 640, only I. Asimov's <u>The Egyptians</u> can be recommended. The biographies of Alexander the Great are generally useless as sources for Egyptian history as they provide neither background to the country at the time of its conquest nor explanation of the impact of the new rulers. Much of the same can be said of the



few biographies of Cleopatra, which are much more concerned with her relationship with Caesar and Marc Antony than with the Egypt of the Ptolemies.

There are no specialized works on medieval Egypt, the period from the Arab conquest in 642 to Napoleon's conquest in 1798. The one topic in which Egypt does receive some mention is the crusading era, in which Saladin (Salah al-Dīn), the Sultan of Egypt and founder of the Ayyubid Dynasty, played such an important role. However, there is no biography of Saladin and no material on his actions in Egypt preceding the crusades. Egypt's, or more correctly, Cairo's contributions to classical Islamic civilization are generally ignored in favor of Baghdad under the Abbasids. One would like to see, therefore, historical coverage of the Fatimids. Egypt's importance in the crusading era also requires greater examination.

Except for the historical sections in Zaki Mahmud's The Land and People of Egypt and R. Collins and R. Tignore's Egypt and the Sudan, the period between Napoleon's conquest and the revolution in 1952 is ignored. Napoleon's biographies, like those of his predecessors, are essentially useless for the study of Egyptian history, stressing, if anything, the discovery of the Rosetta Stone. There is no biography of Muhammad Ali, and there should be. There are a few very good books on the Suez Canal, but they cannot be recommended for their coverage of Egypt, because their emphasis is on the impact of the canal in European politics rather than on Egypt. The canal also remained a foreign operation up until 1956.

Perhaps the most serious lacuna in the historical coverage in the textbooks is the lack of material on Muhammad Ali, who certainly rates as one of the most important individuals in modern Near Eastern history. His name is rarely mentioned in the textbooks and his efforts to establish a modern Egyptian state, whatever his motives, are ignored. The material on his successors is also inadequate or unsatisfactory. Isma'il is soundly and correctly criticized for his financial



mismanagement, although his contributions to Egypt are rarely mentioned. One would hope to see the type of discussion to be found in Becker's Modern Europe which criticizes Isma'il, but also explains the various devices by which European bankers made fortunes on Egyptian bonds, such as purchasing them at sizeable discounts.

The British occupation also requires more substantial coverage. Most texts correctly represent Britain's concern for the security of the Suez Canal as the reason for the occupation of the country in 1882, but the political developments which led to that concern, mainly General Arabi's revolt, are not explained sufficiently. British administration of the country requires clarification so that an accurate picture of Britain's impact on Egypt is portrayed. A good source for British activities in Egypt is Ann Williams, Britain and France in the Middle East and North Africa. More material on British interference into Egyptian affairs after independence, especially during World War II, is also required.

# Egypt Since the Revolution

Egypt since July, 1952 receives somewhat more attention than the preceding 2600 years. As is the case with ancient Egyptian history, primary level textbooks provide the least amount of information, usually restricting their coverage to the mentioning of the revolution, Nasser's rise to power, domestic reforms and the Arab-Israeli wars. Few, if any, details are provided on these topics (See, for example, the accounts in James, Africa, Latin American and the East, pp. 76-77 and Mensoian, The People of the Middle East and North Africa, pp. 82-89.).

Textbooks for secondary school students provide a much fuller account of recent political history. Unfortunately, the quantity of material on modern Egypt is not matched by its quality. Generally speaking, there is insufficient background presented for the student to fully understand critical events, and all too often interpretations are offered as facts, as authors prefer compact generalizations to full explanations of given issues.



The monarchy is accurately characterized as having been exceedingly corrupt (McNeill, The Ecumene, p. 709; Rogers, The Story of Nations, p. 646). This corruption led a number of military officers to plot the overthrow of the regime, and in the summer of 1952 King Farouk was deposed by a group of officers led by General Muhammad Naguib. Egypt became a republic, and Naguib was replaced by Nasser, who became a virtual dictator (On Nasser's dictatorship, see Dawson, Your World and Mine and Yates, How People Live in the Middle East.).

The background to the 1952 revolution is inadequate. One would hope that there would be a better description of parliamentary government in Egypt under the monarch, perhaps through an examination of the Wafd Party. Certainly, Farouk was orrupt, but a strong government could have prevented much of the abuse. An explanation of politics before the revolution would also help in understanding Nasser's reluctance to return to parliamentary government following the revolution, which was an important factor in his split with Naguib.

Nasser's domestic reforms are covered in most of the textbooks. Most authors view the goal of the 1952 revolution as the improvement of the lives of the Egyptian peoples and cite the land reform, health care, industrialization, and the Aswan High Dam as positive projects designed to attain these goals, although it is generally mentioned that they have failed. An excellent discussion of this failure occurs in Brinton, A History of Civilization, vol. II.

Most texts stress Nasser's foreign policy, and he is given mixed reviews. The Suez crisis of 1956 receives the widest and most diverse coverage. It is generally mentioned that the prime motivation for the conflict was Nasser's nationalization of the Suez Canal, although the factors contributing to that act are variously described. The arguments stretch from what is perceived to be a desire on Nasser's part to gain prestige (Roehm, The Record of Mankind) to the more accurate explanation



as a response to the American decision not to fund the Aswan High Dam project (Rogers, Story of Nations, p. 646; Grossier, World History, p. 286.). Accounts also differ as all too many authors allege (as in Roehm) that the Anglo-French invasion occurred only after Israel invaded Egypt and was a response to that attack rather than citing Anglo-French-Israeli collusion. A number of "facts" should also be clarified.

It is emphasized that 1) Nasser closed the canal to Israeli shipping, thus encouraging the Israeli attack and 2) the Israelis achieved a rapid victory over the Egyptian army in the Sinai. It is true that the canal was closed to Israeli shipping but it had been closed while the canal was under British control. The Israeli victory should also be viewed in light of the fact that Nasser had ordered his troops in the Sinai to withdraw to the canal and begin preparations for defense of that vital waterway against the anticipated Anglo-French attack. There are excellent accounts of this crisis in Karpat, The Middle East and North Africa and Stavrianos, A Global History of Man.

Many problems exist in the discussions of Nasser's Pan Arab policy, in general, and specifically on the formation of the United Arab Republic in 1958. While the statement in McNeill's <u>The Ecumene</u> that Nasser wished to unite the entire Arab World under his leadership but desired no fundamental change (p. 717-18) is stronger than most, Nasser is generally depicted as having an aggressive foreign policy. This led him, authors such as Roehm, D. Davis and Kolerzon argue, to join Syria in the formation of the U.A.R. The union occurred, in fact, as a result of a Syrian initiative.

Nasser's greatest Arab policy failure, the Yemen civil war, is sometimes mentioned. While these "facts" are mentioned with regard to Nasser's foreign policy, one searches in vain for the type of presentation made by Shorter in his <u>Eleven Nations</u>, in which not only are "facts" presented, but some attempt is made to analyze Nasser's successes and failures. This analysis, the type of exercise that requires the student to think, is sorely needed.



The June, 1967, Arab-Israeli war is attributed to what are termed hostile actions undertaken by Nasser, including the demand that the United Nations' peace-keeping force be withdrawn, the mobilization of his army and then the massing of it on the border, and, finally, the closing of the Straits of Tiran. These actions led to what is described as Israeli preventive retaliation, and in six days the Israeli army occupied the Sinai Peninsula and the Suez Canal was closed. Nasser's resignation in the face of this humiliating defeat and subsequent decision to remain in office following massive outcries of public support are mentioned.

Although the discussion of the factors leading up to the 1967 Arab-Israeli war are generally accurate, it is interesting that it is not mentioned that the United Nations Emergency Force could have been stationed on the Israeli side of the border, but was not permitted to do so. Furthermore, there is insufficient information on the factors leading up to Nasser's actions upon which to make a judgment, in particular the reported Israeli threat to Egypt's ally, Syria, and Israeli military preparations. There is a general lack of balance.

Nasser's relations with the Soviet Union also receive wide coverage, with Nasser too often placed squarely in the "Communist camp" (See Zebel, <u>Past to Present</u> and Rogers, <u>Story of Nations</u>). This attitude is further enforced by the selection of photographs, which often show Nasser with a Soviet leader (See Rogers, p. 646 and McNeill, p. 717).

Events since 1967 are discussed in only the most recently published textbooks and then only briefly. It is mentioned that Nasser died in 1970 and was succeeded by Anwar al-Sadat. A fourth Arab-Israeli war was fought in 1973. Supplementary texts provide little additional information on modern Egyptian political history, and the material is plagued by the same problems of over-generalization that beset the textbooks. Nasser has been analyzed in a short biography by Mary Shivanandran,



and the historical sections in the Mahmud, Collins & Tignore and Williams volumes are recommended, as is the section on Egypt in T. Little's <u>The Arab World in the 20th Century</u>. Surprisingly, there is a general reluctance on the part of most authors to discuss the Arab-Israeli wars in any detail. Consequently, there are no books devoted to specific wars. The only detailed source is W. McKinly's <u>Trouble in the Middle East</u>, which is fortunately very good.



# ART, ARCHITECTURE, LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

The discussions of ancient Egyptian art and architecture are generally found in textbooks written for primary level students, although there are occasional references to be found in secondary level texts. The material that is presented tends to focus on the monumental works of the Egyptians, such as the pyramids, the Sphinx, and the great temples.

# Ancient Egypt - Architecture

Pyramids are described in some detail, both in physical appearance and method of construction, as they are the most well-known of the architectural treasures of the ancient world. It is usually explained to the student that the true pyramid is a square-based structure with its four sides built in the form of a triangle. The pyramids were constructed of large blocks of stone, weighing between two and fifteen tons apiece, which were quarried far from the construction site and carried to it by ship and sledge as the Egyptians did not know the use of the wheel. The successive layers of the building were laid by building brick and earth ramps, up which the blocks were dragged into position. Inside the pyramid were rooms which served as the burial chambers for the pharaoh. The Great Pyramid of Khufu (Cheops) at Giza is most often mentioned.

After the pyramids, the most commonly discussed structure is the Great Sphinx of Khafre (Chephren) at Giza. The Sphinx, an animal body with a human head, was, along with other lesser sphinxes, built to guard the tombs of the pharaohs. Of the other architectural wonders of ancient Egypt, the Temple of Karnak, the largest columned temple ever built, and the temple at Abu Simbel, which was threatened by the rising waters of Lake Nasser, are mentioned.



Supplementary works do provide some additional material on architecture, but as with textbooks, the focus is on the monumental works. One significant area of elaboration concerns the evolution of the pyramid. Here the student is introduced to earlier forms of architecture such as the mastaba, the earliest pharaonic tombs. The evolution from these low, brick-built structures to large stone edifices is attributed to Imhotep, the adviser and architect of the pharaoh, Zoser, who designed the step-pyramid at Saqqara. The step-pyramid is, in reality, a series of successively smaller mastabas constructed of stone built on top of each other. Later architects borrowed the design and simply filled in the steps to provide a smooth exterior surface. Imhotep is also credited with copying many of the motifs that were first used in wood, brick and matting and applying them to stone.

New Kingdom architecture is also discussed in somewhat more detail in the supplementary works. The student can find more elaborate descriptions of the Temple of Karnak as well as information on Queen Hatshepsut's temple at Deir al-Bahri and the temple at Luxor. With the construction of the Aswan High Dam and the world-wide effort to save the temple at Abu Simbel, Rameses II's great work of art and architecture has received a great deal of literary attention.

The material presented on architecture in ancient Egypt is generally very good. Undoubtedly, the pyramids are one of the most readily identifiable structures in the world, a fact due in large part to the excellent photographs included in virtually every text and supplementary book -- although one would hope that photographers would suppress their urge to include the ever present Egyptian tourist guide astride a camel that graces every composition! The Great Sphinx and the temple at Abu Simbel probably also have a high recognition level.

#### Ancient Egypt - Art

Minor works of art, such as bas-relief, painting and the obelisk are noted but not discussed in any great detail. Sculpture is discussed because of its religious



significance. The statue, be it full figure or only a bust, could serve as the resting place of an individual's spirit should his corpse be destroyed.

The best examples of the lesser arts, in scope but certainly not in quality, are to be found in the many books on Tutankhamen. The gold statuary, jewelry, furniture, and other <u>objets d'art</u> are the most extensive available as most others were either stolen from the tombs or broken up in the process. One important development of New Kingdom art that receives wide coverage is the naturalist movement of the reign of Akhenaton. Ancient Egyptian art is generally depicted as highly formalized and unchanging, and the adoption of more natural forms of artistic representation inspired by this pharaoh is unique for the civilization.

### Ancient Egypt - Hieroglyphics

Material on writing and literature in both primary and secondary level text-books is confined almost exclusively to hieroglyphics and the deciphering of the ancient Egyptian writing system. Any discussion of literature or the presentation of any stories or tales is to be found in the supplementary works.

Hieroglyphics, the student is told, began as simple picture writing, each symbol representing the specific animal, plant or action depicted, long before the establishment of the earliest dynasties. However, the glyphs eventually obtained a phonetic value, the symbol representing a specific sound, so that by the time of the pharachs Egypt had an alphabet composed of 24 letters. In writing with hieroglyphics, no vowels were used, and it could be written from either left to right or right to left, with the direction that the faces pointed to telling the reader the direction to be read. Additional symbols, known as determinatives, were added at the end of the word to aid in its understanding. For example, a name would be followed by a certain symbol that told the reader that what had preceded was a male or female name.



Hieroglypics was the writing system of the gods, and only a small number of court scribes could master the complex symbols. Shorter forms of writing were developed for the common man. Below hieroglyphics was a system known as hieratic, which, if hieroglyphics was considered printing, was considered as hand-writing. The symbols were not as completely formed as in the formal hieroglyphics. A shorthand system, known as demotic, was also used.

An important development connected with writing was the invention of a substance other than stone upon which symbols could be written and preserved. That substance was papyrus paper, one of ancient Egypt's most important contributions to civilization. The student will generally be introduced to the method of obtaining paper from the payrus stalk, a process which involved the bonding of layers of the plant together into long sheets. Much of our information about ancient Egypt has been obtained from papyri, which remained preserved in Egypt's hot, dry climate.

Up until 1821, we were unable to read any of the ancient Egyptian scripts, but in that year the Frenchman, J.F. Champollion, deciphered hieroglyphics by using the Rosetta Stone. The Rosetta Stone had been discovered by some French soldiers during Napoleon's campaign in Egypt in 1799. The text on the stone was written three times, once in Greek, a known language, once in demotic, and once in hieroglyphics. For years scholars attempted to decipher the hieroglyphics on the stone by comparison with the Greek text, but they failed because they believed that the hieroglyphics were not phonetic but ideographic. Champollion hit upon the idea of comparing the names, which were contained in the cartouches in the hieroglyphic texts, and discovered that the symbols represented letters and not words. That was the key. Words could be separated out of the text and their meanings discovered by comparing with the Greek. The sound value of certain letters could also be found by using names, as they sounded roughly the same in Greek as in Egyptian.



Supplementary texts only elaborate on the material available in the textbooks on hieroglyphics and Champollion. However, it is among these works that the student can discover the actual words of the ancient Egyptians, translated into English. There are books written for all ages from kindergarten to high school filled with religious tales, adventure stories, magical spells, myths, legends and poetry which had been preserved in hieroglyphics on tomb walls and papyri.

The discussion of hieroglyphics and literature is very similar to that of art and architecture. Hieroglyphics are sufficiently explained and most accounts of the writing system will include examples of the symbols. There are even books from which the child can learn in some detail to write and make actual sentences from the hieroglyphs. Most notable among these books are L. Scott's Hieroglyphics for Fun and Egyptian Hieroglyphics for Everyone. Champollion's discovery of the secret of the hieroglyphic writing system is explained quite clearly and concisely. The interested student can leave high school with an excellent base upon which he could commence serious study of hieroglyphics.

Despite the fact that the presentation of art, architecture and hieroglyphics is generally good, the whole approach to that presentation is inadequate. There is little effort to establish any connection between the art and literature and the society that created it; there is no historical perspective. The student, for example, is left with the impression that pyramids were built as tombs by all of the pharaohs when, in fact, their construction ended during the Middle Kingdom period. Furthermore, the significance of the pyramid is much more than just as a tomb for pyramids tell us a great deal about an Egyptian society in which the pharaoh was all powerful. Similarly, the construction of temples, such as Karnak and Abu Simbel,



reflect the political and social situation in ancient Egypt, as do the tomb paintings and other funerary objects. This problem of historical perspective is sometimes solved at the secondary level, but only a small few of the textbooks re-introduce material on art (See, for example, Roehm, The Record of Mankind and Welty, Man's Cultural Heritage), and when they do, the lessons that can be learned from history are not stressed. The problem carries over into supplementary books which are generally content to simply describe the buildings and other objects.

There is little improvement in the discussions of hieroglyphics as there is rarely any material presented on their use to the modern scholar. Many stories have been translated and published for the student, but their interest is simply as stories with little effort made to expand on their significance. For all the discussion about the Rosetta Stone, there is not one account of what it actually said. The student can, and should, seriously ask of what use is knowing about hieroglyphics or ancient art.

An answer to this question lies in a very good textbook written by Linder, et al, for primary level students, entitled Exploring Civilization: A Discovery Approach. This text is not remarkable for the material that it presents; it is, in fact, quite lacking in comparison to most texts, except in the manner in which it presents the material. In two chapters, entitled "How Breasted Learned about Ancient Egypt", and "How Did Literature and Art Reflect Egyptian Society?", the authors attempt to show how his oglyphics and art are used by modern scholars as keys to understanding ancient Egypt rather than as objects to be understood as old or interesting objects only. The approach is exciting, and of use to the student as he can apply this knowledge to other civilizations.

# Medieval and Modern Egypt - Art, Architecture, Language and Literature

Once we leave the world of the ancient Egyptians, discussions of art, architecture, language and literature virtually end. There are only brief mentions



of artistic developments under the Fatimids and architecture under the Mamlukes in the supplementary work The Story of Muslim Art by C. Price. Four thousand years from now scholars may well be discussing the significance of the Aswan Dam and some may perhaps even be attributing to it cosmic powers, as some writers are attempting to do with the pyramids. Be that as it may, the dam is the only modern structure to receive notice.

Just as is the case with art and architecture, language and literature after the fall of ancient Egyptian civilization is ignored. The student will learn that the language of modern Egypt is Arabic, but there are no discussions of either medieval or modern literary activities. Surely, medieval and modern Egypt are deserving of some discussion of art and literature! At least since 1258, Cairo has been, and continues to be, the cultural center of the Middle East, and before that under the Fatimids and later under the Mamlukes it certainly vied with Baghdad for that distinction. Modern Egypt has many authors of international renown. Certainly, the playwright and novelist Tawfiq al-Hakim, whose plays have been translated into English, and the novelists Muhammad al-Sharqawi and Nagib Mahfouz, who have also been translated, are deserving of some mention. The whole absence of any material on Egyptian culture since the collapse of the ancient Egyptian civilization is unacceptable.

### SOCIETY

Discussion of Egyptian society tends to focus on the peasant, the <u>fellah</u>, at both the primary and secondary level and in both textbooks and supplementary materials. Once again, the textbooks provide only a brief survey of the subject with the supplementary books filling in the details.

## Ancient Egypt

Primary and secondary level textbooks include essentially the same information on ancient Egyptian society. The social structure was in the form of a pyramid with the pharaoh at the apex. Fanning out below him was a small upper class of nobles and members of the court. Below them was the larger middle class composed of low-level bureaucrats, artists and craftsmen which produced the goods and services for the wealthy. Finally, at the bottom was the farmer, the foundation upon which ancient Egyptian civilization was built.

The farmer is described as under-nourished and over-worked. He lived in a small mud but in the village along with his family and animals, and subsisted on bread, beans, and, only rarely, meat. The men tilled the soil with a wooden plow drawn by a cow or ox and irrigated their fields by raising the waters of the Nile with a shaduf. Women were generally much freer than in today's Egyptian society, although their duties were much the same: cooking, carrying water for use in the home, weaving cloth for clothing and keeping the house in repair.

Slavery is often mentioned as having existed, although it is little discussed. Corvée, forced labor, was also used by the government to help in the construction of its great monuments and for other projects.

Supplementary books provide much the same picture of ancient Egyptian peasant life, but also generally include more information on the glamorous life of the



upper classes. The nobles and courtiers maintained residences in both the city and the country, but it is only about their country estates that we have much information. Like the farmer's house, the upper class home was built of mud brick, but these homes were usually two or three stories high and were decorated with paintings and fine furniture. The houses also faced a courtyard or garden, and the estate included out-buildings to house the animals.

The nobles had servants to perform the daily tasks required to operate the estate and so could devote themselves to luxurious living and entertainment. Both men and women wore clothes of fine linen, expensive jewelry of gold and silver, and aromatic oils. Their diet was varied and included meat regularly, and large banquets were held at which musicians and dancing girls performed. It was a life in marked contrast to the peasant's existence.

The description of ancient Egyptian society presented in the textbooks is generally adequate and accurate. There are certain areas, though, in which the supplementary books could provide more information. What, for example, was the legal status of the individual in society? What was the responsibility of the individual to the state and vice versa? Slavery is often mentioned but rarely explained. Were the peasants considered to be slaves or only "practically slaves" (Sankowsky, Mainstreams of World History, p. 22)? What individual rights did exist? How did these rights and responsibilities change over time (once again, the question of historical perspective).

Some discussion of social custom would also be desirable. What were the preferred marriage patterns among the ancient Egyptians? Was it a polygamous or monogamous society? Which social activities were acceptable and which prohibited? How were social mores enforced?



### Modern Egypt

Material on modern Egypt is almost exclusively concerned with the <u>fellahin</u>. In both textbooks and supplementary books they are described as having changed little in 5,000 years. They still live in mud huts, farm and irrigate in the same manner, and eat the same foods. Women are described as more restricted than their ancient ancestors as a result of Muslim rules on the seclusion of women. Most of their functions are performed within the house.

Most books do point out that since the revolution of 1952, there have been substantial changes in the life of the <u>fellah</u>. Nasser's land reform program redistributed the land so that the farmer owned the land he worked and could benefit from his efforts. Education and health programs are improving the farmer's life, and flood control projects are enabling him to grow more food than ever before. These gains are threatened, though, by the continuing problem of rapid population growth.

The descriptions of the <u>fellahin</u> are generally accurate, but a bit unfair.

We have constantly alluded to the "unchanging east" bias that exists in so much of the writing on Egypt, both ancient and modern, and have attempted to show that this is a myth. This myth is nowhere more apparent than in the discussion of the <u>fellah</u>. While the observation that the Nile Valley farmer has remained unchanged for the past 5,000 years is essentially true, it is implied that this phenomonon is attributable to the inherent conservatism and backwardness of the peasant. A much more preferrable approach, and one we would like to see adopted by all authors, is Shorter's explanation in <u>Eleven Nations</u>. Shorter states that farming methods have remained quite similar to those that existed in ancient Egypt, but he attributes this to the successful adaptation by the <u>fellah</u> to the environment rather than to a lack of initiative. He supports this contention by arguing that the <u>fellahin</u> have



experimented with and invented many of the methods currently used to manage both water and land.

Focus on the <u>fellahin</u> tends to leave the student with a rather negative impression of Egypt. One would never guess from the discussion of Egypt's poverty presented in most books that it is the cultural center of the Arab world, and that its cities with their trade, industry, educational institutions, professional organizations and artistic groups comprise a sizable portion of the population. Much more emphasis should be placed on society outside of the village.

Discussion of society outside of the village is concerned with urban life and, as mentioned in the section on geography, is usually a discussion of the contrast between "old" and "new" in the dress, transportation and occupation of Cairo's inhabitants (see Yohe, Exploring World Regions, p. 411, for example). The best available discussion of life in Cairo is to be found in Scholastic Book Service's The Middle East, pp. 66-71.

Interestingly enough, the <u>bedouin</u> is virtually ignored, except in the pictures of the pyramids where the stately lord of the desert is prominantly displayed. The only real discussion of the <u>bedu</u> appears in Polansky's <u>The Changing World and Its People</u> (pp. 220-23). This material is unacceptable as the author simply describes the <u>bedouin's</u> propensity for roaming the desert. Nothing is presented on the relationship between the <u>bedu</u> and settled population or on the historical importance of the nomad. It would be much preferable that the <u>bedouin</u> be taken out of the photographs, which leave the impression that Egypt is a nomadic country, and some few words be placed in the texts about this Egyptian minority group.

As with ancient Egyptian society, one would like to see a much wider discussion of social customs and relationships. We are fortunate to have



available the works by B. Rashid on folk songs and games which give some understanding of Egyptian life, but there are more serious aspects requiring investigation. For example, what role do religion and the <u>sharl'a</u> play in village life? Furthermore, aside from farming techniques, what factors connect ancient and modern Egyptian society?



#### RELIGION

The discussion of religion differs little in either primary or secondary level textbooks. In both cases, the student is given a basic introduction to ancient Egyptian religion, with the focus being on polytheism, life after death, and the religious reforms of Akhenaton, and to Islam with few details of the religious systems presented. Supplementary works elaborate on the material included in the textbooks with little new information added.

#### Ancient Egypt - Polytheism

The ancient Egyptians are depicted as worshipping many gods with most of these deities being portrayed as animals. Of these gods, Amen-Re, depicted as the sun god, and Osiris, the god of the dead, are most often mentioned. Fuller discussions contained in some texts (See, for example, Dawe, The Ancient Near East, and Marvin, The Human Adventure) include material on the Amen-Re and Osiris cults. Amon-Re, who would be referred to more properly as the god of life rather than a sun god, is described as the principal deity in the Egyptian pantheon. On his daily journey across the sky, this god brings light and warnth to the earth, thus sustaining life. One would hope for more clarification on this god, whose nature is unnecessarily obscured. It should be stressed that this is a compound god and that each of the two members has a separate nature, Re being the solar disk and Amen being the "Hidden One" or double which circled the underworld.

The second important cult was that of Osiris, the god of the dead. The origins of this cult are tied up in the Osiris myth, which is presented in the above-noted texts and others. According to this story, Osiris was murdered by his brother, dismembered and the parts of the body distributed over the country. Osiris' sister/wife,



Isis, gathered up the remains and was able to restore her husband to life, but not in the world of the living. Osiris began to rule over the world of the dead, determining the fate of the deceased.

Supplementary materials provide the student with more information on origins and functions of the plethora of deities. As the ancient Egyptian civilization developed, each political unit had its own patron god, which was usually symbolized by some animal. The Egyptians did not worship this animal; the animal figure simply represented the attributes of the god. For example, the sun, which soared across the sky, was represented by a hawk. As smaller political units merged, either by force or agreement, the gods belonging to each polity were maintained. As political units became larger, so did the pantheon, as the Egyptians were unwilling to dispose of a god of even minimal powers.

## Life After Death

Discussion of life after death and mummification in the primary and secondary textbooks is accurate and adequate. At the outset of Egyptian civilization it was believed that only the pharaoh could attain everlasting life, but as the religious beliefs evolved, even the common man aspired to spiritual immortality. The most notable feature of this aspect of religious belief was the preservation of the body through the process of mummification. It was believed that the human spirit continued to reside in the earthly body, even after death. The decomposition or destruction of the body, therefore, threatened the existence of the spirit. The ancient Egyptians attempted, through a process of soaking the body in chemicals and rapping it in linen, to preserve the body forever to insure the eternal life of the spirit. The textbooks, therefore, stress that the individual's life after death was dependent on the preservation of the earthly body through mummification. The supplementary books



elaborate on this aspect of the religion. It was believed that everyone had a ka or spiritual double which preceded the deceased to the world of the dead and prepared the way for the admission of the ba or immortal soul. The ba continued to reside in the earthly body. The Egyptians, however, planned for all developments. If the mummy was destroyed, the ba could reside in a likeness, most often in the form of a statue, of the deceased. Similarly, through the proper observation of certain rituals, statues and pictures could be brought to life in the world of the dead. Therefore, statues of servants and animals and paintings of the deceased's favorite activities, along with the necessary texts for bringing them to life, were placed in the tomb to ensure the comfort and happiness of the ba. Fascinating accounts on mummies are available in G. McHargue's Mummies and M. Pace's Wrapped for Eternity: The Story of the Egyptian Mummies.

### Akhenaton

Akhenaton's religious reforms are the most often discussed and poorly explained aspects of ancient Egyptian religion. Worship of the god, Aton, is universally described in all textbooks and supplementary works as an attempt to impose monotheism on ancient Egypt. In fact, Akhenaton was probably more concerned with supplenting one royal cult, that of Amen-Re, with his own. Furthermore, no background is presented to these religious reforms. The new cult is described as being suppressed during the reign of Akhenaton's successor, Tutankhamen. Some books at least attempt to present theories on the origin of Akhenaton's religious attitudes, usually centering, as in L. Morrison's Lost Queen of Egypt, on the influence of Akhenaton's wife Nefertiti, and on the attempts by the pharaoh's daughter, Ankhsenamen, later queen of Tutankhamen, to save monotheism, such as in E. Berry's Honey of the Nile. Once again, these works stress Akhenaton's monotheism.



The discussion of religion in the textbooks is generally unacceptable as it suffers from two serious deficiencies. First, there is a lack of historical perspective that would relieve some of the confusion surrounding religious beliefs and practices. Second, the extremely broad generalizations used to describe ancient Egyptian religion contribute to the confusion as the student is given the impression that religious practice was monolithic when in fact it was not.

We have discussed this problem of historical perspective continuously in this evaluation of material on Egypt, and here again we find authors discussing an unchanging Egyptian civilization and then supporting their arguments with overly simplified generalizations. No connection is made, for example, between the emergence of the Osiris cult and the popular conception of life after death when in fact they are deerly inter-connected. This development represents an important historical evolution in religious belief, one that places the peasant on a potentially equal status with the pharach. Akhenaton is also seen as an aberation rather than as part of a historical process. While it certainly is possible that his Aton cult represents a burst of intellectual creativity, even this development is not seen as a significant point against the tradition bound, unchanging East.

Underiably, ancient Egyptian religious beliefs and practices were complex, but by presenting the religion as a unified, nationwide belief system, the authors of textbooks have compounded the problem. Ancient Egyptian religion was both horizontally and vertically fragmented. There were official religious cults, such as Re in the Old Kingdom, Osiris in the Middle Kingdom, and Amen-Re and Aton in the New Kingdom, but there were also many popular cults centering on local gods. Aside from these class distinctions, there were also regional differences. Provinces and villages, for the most part, continued to worship their local deities to the exclusion of, or perhaps in association with, a similar god. For example, the goddess Mat, the



sky goddess, might be worshipped to the exclusion of similar deities: Hathor, Bast or Sekhmet. Although there might have been a multitude of gods in the official pantheon, they were not all included in everyone's personal pantheon.

Some of these same problems exist in the supplementary works although not to the same degree. There are attempts to put religious developments into their historical perspective (The Osiris cult is shown to be a development of the Middle Kingdom period and especially the New Kingdom.), but religion is still presented as being monolithic. The discussions of life after death are vague and unclear. References are made to a heaven-like place where the deceased lives a life of luxury and ease, and Osiris serves as the final judge over who shall or shall not enter this paradise. However, it is not clear what happens to the persons who are unacceptable to Osiris.— In fact, those who did not attain life in the other world simply ceased to exist. There was no nell as in the Judeo-Christian-Muslim tradition.

## Christianity

Christianity in Egypt is virtually ignored in the textbooks, and the supplementary works will generally only explain that Egypt became Christian under the Byzantines (although it would be more accurate to say the Eastern Roman Empire) and remained so until the Arab conquest in 640 A.D. A number of Christians, known as Copts, continue to live and practice their religion in modern Egypt, the books contend.

The absence of material on Christianity in Egypt is not entirely understandable. Certainly Egypt, as the site of Alexandria, where early Church doctrine was formulated, and the home of the monastic movement in Christianity, had a significant impact on the development of the faith. It was also one of the centers of the monophisite "heresy" that split the early church. Unfortunately, for this entire period we have only the material available in I. Asimov's The Egyptians and in an excellent chapter on Christianity in Z. Mahmoud's The Land and People of Egypt.



Although Egypt was conquered by the Muslim Arabs in 642, many Copts retained their religion and became important to the administration of the province as they continued to work in the revenue department. This fact is usually ignored. It should also be stressed that Egypt was not rapidly converted to Is and that the pressure for conversion was mainly economic. Conversion freed the intervioual of some of the tax burden. Still, several million Egyptians adhere to the Coptic church or to other Christian denominations.

#### Islam

Islamic beliefs and practices are not generally discussed in the textbooks along with material on Egypt but in separate sections dealing with the establishment of the Arab Empire. It is generally mentioned that the religion was established by Muhammad in Arabia and that the Muslims worship a single god known as Allah. The Muslim holy book is the Koran, and Muslims worship in a mosque. Some, but not all texts, will mention and explain the five pillars of Islam, that is the shahada (10 of ession of faith), prayer five times a day, pilgrimage to Mecca, zakat (alms), and fasting during the month of Ramadan.

While the discussion of Islam in the textbooks is adequate, all accounts of the religion should present and explain the basic tenets of the faith. Improvement could be made in the supplementary books by inclusion of material on the development of an Egyptian school of law, the Shāfi<sup>c</sup>i, by discussion of the religious teaching of the Egyptian reformer, Muhammad Abduh, and by pointing out the importance of religion on modern political developments including treating various organizations such as Sufi orders and the Muslim Brotherhood, one of the strongest religio-political parties in recent Egyptian history. Authors generally tend to ignore the fact that Islam is much more than simply a religious system. Also, the position of Cairo with its al-Azhar University as the leading Islamic intellectual center in the world should be emphasized.



## CONCLUSION

In this study of the treatment of Egypt in elementary and secondary school literature, we have analyzed the content of 109 textbooks and 180 supplementary works, evaluated that material, and presented our recommendations for specific corrections and additions. It should be noted that these recommendations do not represent dogma but are what we, as specialists on Near Fastern history and civilization, perceive to be the best answers to problems in the treatment of Egypt.

A general conclusion to be drawn from the material that was evaluated is that as a result of the practice of presenting information on Egypt in general statements and of omitting certain "facts", Egypt is generally depicted as being both passive and unchanging, as in the discussions of ancient Egypt and the modern fellah, and aggressive, as shown by Nasser's purported attempts to dominate the Arab World, his so-called attacks on Israel and his relations with the West. Both images are negative.

The root of this problem seems not to lie in any conscious anti-Egyptian biases that are held by authors, but in that they are under-informed about Egypt. The focus of most textbooks is, understandably, on Europe. The authors are, as a result, usually European historians or they are experts in education. These authors have no formal training in Egyptian history and culture. A similar problem exists with regard to the teacher, who, as the MESA Image Committee discovered, lacks knowledge on Egyptian problems (The Image of the Middle East in Secondary School Textbooks, p. 26).

These comments are not to say that non-specialists cannot write accurate and balanced textbooks on Egypt or the Middle East, or that teachers without formal training in Middle Eastern studies cannot overcome the deficiencies of their resources.



We recommend that the following three courses of action be taken to improve the presentation of material on Egypt.

- 1) That the Office of Education encourage the study of Egyptian (or Middle Eastern or any comer area's) history and culture by
- a) recommending to federally funded Foreign Area Study Programs that they offer courses for credit and at appropriate hours for elementary and secondary school teachers on Egypt.
- b) encouraging "Outreach" programs, such as presently exist at many area study centers so that schools now located near these centers can have access to area specialists with special knowledge of the needs of pre-college social studies programs.

We believe that these two goals can be accomplished without increased costs.

- 2) That authors and teachers make an effort to inform themselves about Egypt. In order to accomplish this, we have added an annotated booklist of materials for non-specialists which will provide an excellent background to Egyptian history and culture. Teachers and authors are also encouraged to read the books in the supplementary booklist that have been recommended.
- 3) That textbook publishers take advantage of area specialists and invite their comments on forthcoming books.



## BOOKLIST FOR NON-SPECIALIST READERS

This list represents only a small number of the works available on Egyptian history, politics, society and culture. However, we feel that these readily available books combine a high standard of scholarship with a general readability to warrant their recommendation. Readers are encouraged to review the bibliographies contained in virtually every one of these books for guidance in further reading.

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1. Adams, Michael, ed. The Middle East: A Handbook, Praeger, N.Y. and Washington, 1971.

Includes a chapter by Tom Little on the United Arab Republic which presents a good historical outline and survey of economic, social and political affairs. Reading list.

2. Bacharach, Jere. A Near East Studies Handbook, 570-1974. University of Washington, Seattle and London, 1974, (paper).

Contains dynastic charts of Egyptian rulers, maps and chronology.

3. Berger, Morroe. The Arab World Today, Doubleday and Co., Garden City, N.Y., 1964, (paper).

Survey of Middle Eastern society with a good deal of material on Egypt.

4. Gardiner, Sir Alan. Egypt of the Pharaohs, Oxford University, London and N.Y., 1964, (paper).

Detailed survey of ancient Egyptian history from pre-dynastic times to Alexander's conquest.



5. Hitti, Philip K. History of the Arabs, St. Martins, N.Y., 1970, (paper).

The standard history of medieval Islam with the chapter "The Caliphate Dismembered: Petty Dynasties in the West" and part V, "The Last Medieval Moslem States" dealing with Egypt up to the end of the Mamlukes (1516).

6. Holt, P.M. et al, ed. The Cambridge History of Islam, volume 1, The University Press, Cambridge, 1970.

Articles by Bernard Lewis, "Egypt and Syria" and P.M. Holt,
"The Later Ottoman Empire in Egypt and the Fertile Crescent"
discuss Egyptian history from the Arab conquest to the British
protectorate (1914).

7. Political and Social Change in Modern Egypt, Oxford University, London, 1968.

See articles by Holt "The Pattern of Egyptian Political History, 151%-1798" and G. Baer "Social Change in Egypt, 1800-1914".

8. Issawi, Charles. Egypt at Mid-Century: An Economic Survey, Oxford University Press, London and N.Y., 1954.

An economic and political survey covering the period from 1798 to 1950.

9. Khouri, Fred J. The Arab-Israeli Dilemma, Syracuse University, Syracuse, 1968, (paper).

Material on Egypt located throughout this general survey of the Arab-Israeli problem covering the period from its origins in 19th century nationalism to the 1967 war.



- 10. Mansfield, Peter. Nasser's Egypt, Penguin Books, Baltimore, 1969, (paper).

  Focus is on Egypt since 1952 with material on foreign relations, society, reforms and domestic political development.
- 11. Marlowe, John. Anglo-Egyptian Relations, 1800-1953, Praeger, N.Y., 1954.

  Political history of the period.
- The Golden Age of Alexandria, Victor Gollancz Ltd., London, 1971.

  Covers the history and culture of Egypt from Alexander's conquest in 331 B.C. to the establishment of Arab control in 642.
- 13. Moorehead, Alan. The Blue Nile, Dell Publishing Co., N.Y., 1962, (paper).

  A well-written history of the Nile River valley which discusses

  Napoleon's campaign and Muhammad Ali.
- 14. Nims, Charles F. Thebes of the Pharachs, Stein and Day, N.Y., 1965.

  Handsome political and cultural history of the ancient Egyptian capital.
- 15. Polk, William R. The United States and the Arab World, 3rd edition, Harvard University Press, Cambridge, Mass., 1975.

  Focuses on 19th and 20th century political history. Includes good bibliographic essay.
- 16. Tachau, Frank. The Middle East, Macmillan Co., N.Y., 1970, (paper).

  Balanced presentation on all the major contemporary problems in the region.

17. United States Army Area Handbook for the United Arab Republic, American University, Washington, D.C., 1971.

Excellent single volume source for all types of information on Egypt. Includes lengthy bibliographies.

18. Wilson, John A. The Culture of Ancient Egypt, Phoenix Books, Chicago, 1951, (also available as The Burden of Egypt).

Good survey of the history and culture of ancient Egypt.



# AMNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHIES

These bibliographies of the textbooks and supplementary works which were evaluated for their treatment of Egypt have been annotated with consideration given to scope and securacy. We have briefly outlined what is generally discussed in each book and have pointed out specific errors in fact or interpretation that may occur. Cutstanding books have been singled out by the insertion of the word "recommended" at the end of the annotation. Conversely, books which were considered to be seriously deficient have been rated "not recommended". It must be emphasized that these ratings reflect only on the material that deals with Egypt and not on any other information that may be contained in the book.



## TEXTBOOK BIBLIOGRAPHY

1. Abramowitz, Jack. World History, Follett Publishing Co., Chicago, 1974, secondary pp. 27-31, 567-68.

Very superficial coverage of ancient Egyptian civilization focusing on the color of the ancient Egyptian people and the cultural diffusion from Asia. Material on modern Egypt is inadequate. Not recommended.

2. Allen, Virginia F., et al. People and the Land, Noble and Noble, N.Y., 1974, elementary, pp. 33-64.

Section on ancient Egypt includes information on irrigation techniques, religion, arts and crafts, trade and daily life. Broader coverage than most for this age group. Discussion on modern Egypt limited to the Nile and dams, and even that is limited.

3. Becker, Carl L. and Kenneth S. Cooper. Modern History: Europe Since 1600, Silver Burdett Co., Morristown, N.J., 1969, secondary, pp. 378-81, 548-50.

Blames Ismail's debts on his extravagence but an excellent discussion on the economics of borrowing money in 19th century Europe. Leaves one with the impression that Egypt's financial problems were a function of the lending arrangements forced on the khedive by the bankers. Authors argue that Ismail was deposed because of his inability to pay his debts rather than as a result of his political activities. Brief but fair treatment of the Arab-Israeli wars.

4. Boutwell, Clinton. Voices of Ancient Civilizations, Leswing Communications, San Francisco, 1971, elementary, pp. 38-77.



A very good survey of ancient Egyptian culture which includes material on class structure, religion, government and contributions to modern civilization. Has little historical information.

5. Voices of Emerging Nations, Leswing Communications, San Francisco, 1971, elementary, pp. 268-85.

The stress of this work is on Egyptian domestic development since the 1952 revolution, and it presents information on land reform, educational programs and the Aswan High Dam. Includes no material on Nasser's foreign policy or Arab-Israeli wars.

6. Bradley, John H. World Geography, Ginn and Co., Boston, 1971, secondary, pp. 469-70.

Depicts the Egyptian people as among the most poorly nourished and illiterate in the world today. Not recommended.

7. Brandwein, Paul F. et al. The Social Sciences: Concepts and Values. Harcourt, Brace, Jovanovich, Inc., N.Y., 1970, elementary, pp. 119-21.

Focuses on the government -- depicting it as much less centralized than most textbooks do -- and the urban middle class.

8. Sources of Identity, Harcourt, Brace, Jovanovich, Inc., N.Y., 1972, secondary, pp. 10-13, 44-45.

Much too superficial discussion of agriculture in modern Egypt for this grade level. Material on the High Dam focuses on its failures, stating that the Egyptian farmer has potentially less water than before because of the high evaporation rate and absorption into the



limestone bed of Lake Nasser and that the Nile is now eroding its banks. Needs to st tke a better balance between these issues and the benefits of the dam. Not recommended.

9. Branson, Me garet S. Windows of Our World: The Way People Live, Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, 1976, elementary, pp. 100-107.

This account begins with an intriguing comment on the women who invented agriculture, but does not continue the theme, unfortunately. Does discuss the need for political organization to insure efficient irrigation and the ancient Egyptian concept of life after death.

10. Brinton, Crane et al. A History of Civilization, volume one, Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, N.J., 1967, secondary, pp. 21-30.

The historical survey is much too brief for secondary level students, although the author rationalizes the situation by claiming that the history is not well enough known in detail to be of interest. Does include sections on society, religion, focusing on Akhenaton, and art and literature.

Englewood Cliffs, N.J., 1967, secondary, pp. 114-15, 335-36, 576-77, 611-13.

Better than average on Napoleon's campaign in Egypt and generally good on the British occupation, although the author does leave the impression that the British aided education. Good background to the 1952 revolution with an analysis of Nascer which depicts him as politically a failure, but faced by great problems.



- 12. Burke, Fred. Africa, Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, 1970, secondary, pp. 43-53.

  A survey of ancient Egyptian history and culture to the Assyrian conquest with the Nubian dynasty highlighted.
- 13. Cappelluti, Frank J. and Ruth H. Grossmann. The Human Adventure: A History of Our World, Field Educational Publications, Inc., San Francisco, 1970, elementary pp. 86-109.

Contains much more cultural than historical information, despite the book's title, with material on irrigation and farming, society, religion, the arts, and government of ancient Egypt. Nothing on the modern period.

14. Clark, James et al. Man and His World: People and Culture, Noble and Noble, N.Y., 1974, elementary, pp. 62-67.

Very brief on ancient Egyptin agriculture, society (focus on slaves) and trade. Nothing on modern period. Not recommended.

15. Cooper, Kenneth S., et Man ind in Time and Place: The Changing Old World, Silver Burdett Co., Morristown, N.J., 1969, elementary, pp. 30-35, 60-63.

Includes a very brief survey of ancient Egyptian agriculture, government, and contributions to modern civilization. Stresses Nasser's foreign policy failures while largely ignoring domestic reforms. Does discuss the efficiency of the <u>fellah</u> and the benefit of perennial irrigation. Adequate on religion with al-Azhar discussed.

16. Mankind in Time and Place: Learning to Look at Our World, Silver Burdett Co., Morristown, N.J., 1969, elementary, pp. 154-67.



Discusses ancient Egyptian farming and hieroglyphics. Good on modern reforms, especially the new high dam and the advantages of perennial irrigation.

- 17. Couce, Frank P. and Jack R. Holland. <u>Eastern Hemisphere</u>: Middle East, Western Europe, Eastern Europe, Cambridge Book Co., N.Y., 1971, elementary, pp. 3-76 passim. States that Ismail immediately succeeded Muhammad Ali. Generally inadequate, poor coverage of Egypt. Not recommended.
- 18. Crain, Clark N., et al. Arab World, New Africa, Oriental World, Ocean World, W.H. Sadlier, N.Y., 1972, elementary, pp. 42-44.

Very superficial coverage of Egyptian agriculture and resources. Not recommended.

19. Cutright, Prudence et al. Living as World Neighbors, Macmillan, N.Y., 1966, elementary, pp. 274-78.

General survey of Egypt with focus on modern farming and irrigation.

20. Living in the Old World, Macmillan, N.Y., 1966, elementary, pp. 86-100.

Survey of ancient Egyptian contributions to modern civilization in writing, art and architecture, measurement, government. British rule depicted as very beneficial, States that revolution occurred in 1950. Very poor background on the 1956 Suez War. Not recommended.

21. Living in Our Country and Other Lands, Macmillan, N.Y., 1966, elementary, pp. 156-60.

Discussion of the Nile Valley, agriculture, irrigation and cotton.



22. Davis, Bertha and John Javolimek. The Ways of Man: An Introduction to Many Cultures, Macmillan, N.Y., 1971, elementary, pp. 124-25, passim.

Contains a description of an Egyptian village before the revolution to contrast modern conditions. Focus of the book is on the Middle East as a unit, and it is generally very good. Morroe Berger was a consultant.

23. Davis, O.L. <u>Learning About Countries and Societies</u>, American Book Co., N.Y., 1971, elementary, pp. 215-20, 225-30, 234-40.

A generally good section on ancient Egypt contrasted by unacceptable coverage of recent political history. Very weak on the Suez War, the formation of the U.A.R. and the 1967 War, in which Egypt is depicted as the aggressor. Pictures contrast the modernity of Israel to Egypt's poverty.

24. Dawe, Harry A. The Ancient Near East, Charles E. Merrill, Columbus, Ohio, 1969, secondary, pp. 52-73, 91-102.

Good survey of ancient Egyptian history and civilization with discussion of political and religious evolution, including material on Amen-re and the Osiris myth. Contains good selection of translations from ancient Egyptian writing.

25. Dawson, Grace. Your World and Mine: Neighbors in the Air Age, Ginn and Co., Boston, 1975, elementary, pp. 22-26, 464-68.

Focuses on ancient Egyptian contributions to modern civilization.

Very negative on both Nasser and Egyptian society (hungry and diseaseridden) while not even mentioning the domestic reforms. Not recommended.



26. Arummond, Harold R. A Journey Through Many Lands, Allyn and Bacon, Boston, 1969, elementary, pp. 153-60.

Includes material on modern Egypt with emphasis on agriculture, including information on how the <u>fellah</u> is overcoming the problem of soil exhaustion. Section on cities discusses Cairo with the contrast between traditional and modern aspects of the city.

27. The Eastern Hemisphere, Allyn and Bacon, Boston, 1069, secondary, op. 313-20.

One of the best geographical surveys of Egypt available with material on not only the Nile Valley but also the oases in the Western Desert and on resources and industry. Recommended.

28. Editors, Scholastic Book Service. <u>The Middle East</u>, Scholastic Book Services, N.Y., 1972, secondary, 46-53, 66-71, passim.

Very good contrast of village and city life in modern Egypt told through the description of the daily life of a child in each. Philip Hitti was a consultant. Recommended.

29. Educational Research Council of America. Ancient Civilization, Allyn and Bacon, Boston, 1971, elementary, pp. 121-27.

Brief section on ancient Egypt contrasting irrigation systems in the Nile Valley with those in the ancient Tigris-Euphrates Valley.

Discusses ancient Egyptian influences on Nubian civilization and the subsequent conquest of Egypt by Meroe.



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31. Lands of the Middle Fast. Allyn and Bacon, Boston, 1971, elementary, pp. 69-81.

Very good account of Cairo and the problems facing the city. Generally superficial historic background on all aspects of Egyptian political evolution, including the various wars with Israel, but probably adequate for elementary students. Balanced on Nasser.

32. Ewing, Ethel. Our Widening World, Rand McNally, Chicago, 1968, elementary, pp. 256-59, 296-97, 306-08.

Brief survey of Egyptian history from ancient to modern. States that Egypt is not an Arab country and that Egypt didn't realize the international nature of the canal, which is what led to the Suez War. Domestic reforms are discussed. Not recommended.

33. Fry, C. George and James R. King. The Middle East: Crossroads of Civilization, Charles E. Merrill Publishing Co., Columbus, Ohio. 1973, secondary, pp. 10-14, 41-45, 226-27, 239-44, 255-56, 262-63.

Only general survey of ancient Egypt but includes more material on the Fatimids and 19th and 20th century history than most textbooks. Recommended.

34. Glendinning, Robert M. Your Country and the World, Ginn and Co., Boston, 1966, elementary, pp. 480-84, 263-65.

Discusses ancient Egyptian need for trade and modern problems of overpopulation and need to maximize river resources. Good on the Suez Canal but does not discuss the Suez War.



35. Groisser, Philip L. Mastering World History, Oxford Book Co., N.Y., 1971, secondar pp. 8-10, 275, 285-86.

Outline of ancient Egyptian history and civilization, including government, society and contributions. Also discusses Carabi's revolt, Egyptian nationalism, and Nasser's foreign policy.

36. Hagaman, Adaline P. and Thomas J. Durrell. <u>Basic Social Studies: 6</u>, Harper and Row, N.Y., 1964, elementary, pp. 41-47, 175-80, 223-27, 279-84, 323-26, 367-70, 399-401.

Excellent sections on clothing, housing, food, transportation, communications, and health care in ancient Egypt. Also brief historical survey focusing on early political organization, the Hyksos occupation and the empire. Recommended.

37. Hanna, Paul R. et al. <u>Investigating Man's World: Metropolitan Studies</u>, Scott Foresman and Co., N.Y., 1970, elementary, pp. 248-51.

A small section on the history and description of Alexandria.

38. Harper, Robert A. People in Regions, Silver Burdett Co., Morristown, N.J., 1976, elementary, pp. 102-109, 112-115.

Generally concerned with the Nile River and the importance of dams for irrigation, but also includes material on Egypt's nomads.

39. Holt, Sol and John R. O'Connor. Exploring World History, Globe Book Co., N.Y., 1969, elementary, pp. 9-16, 480-83.

Typical account of ancient Egypt with material on the Nile flood and irrigation, pyramidal society, pyramids and contributions to modern civilization.



40. Hunnicutt, C.W. et al. The Great Adventure, L.W. Singer Co., Syracuse, N.Y., 1967, elementary, pp. 18-26, 452-58.

Material on ancient Egypt focuses on importance of irrigation to political development, the deciphering of hieroglyphics, and society in ancient Egypt. Modern material includes village life, which is depicted as having changed little, and the benefits of perennial irrigation.

41. Israel, Saul et al. World Geography Today, Holt, Rinehart and Winston, N.Y., 1976, secondary, pp. 200-05.

Compares and contrasts old and new methods of irrigation, land reform and land problems, resources and industrialization. Recommended, but surprisingly, the 1971 edition of this work is much better on Egypt than the more recent edition.

42. James, Leonard F. Africa, Latin America and the East, Pergamon Press, Inc., N.Y., 1973, elementary, pp. 76-77, 86-99.

Adequate survey of Egyptian history since World War I, but information on the Suez War is extremely disorganized, leaving one with the impression that the Canal was nationalized after the war and failing to mention Anglo-French-Israeli collusion. Nasser viewed as a positive force for reform and possibly agreement with Israel, if the Arab states would accept his leader-ship. The evaluation of his domestic successes and foreign failures is fair.

43. Johnson, William et al. Empires Beyond Europe: Asia, Africa and the Americas, Scholastic Book Service, N.Y., 1976, secondary, pp. 144-47.

Presents a fictionalized account of a battle between the stone-weaponed

Nubian conquerors of Egypt and the metal-bearing Assyrians. Very weak on
medieval Islamic history. Not recommended.



44. Jones, S. Shepard. America's Role in the Middle East, Laidlaw Brothers, River Forest, Ill., 1963, secondary, pp. 25-30.

Good section on the background to the 1956 Suez War, including speculation that the U.S. opposed financing for the High Dam because Southern senators feared an increase in Egyptian cotton production. Not clear on Anglo-French-Israeli collusion in the invasion.

McNally and Co., Chicago, 1973, secondary, pp. 224-25, 233-34.

Geographical discussion limited to the Nile and water problems.

Very weak on modern Egypt with a poor explanation of the Suez crisis and the depiction of Egypt as an expansionist state. Not recommended.

46. Karpat, Kemal. The Middle East and North Africa, Harcourt, Brace and World, N.Y., 1968, secondary, pp. 62-63, passim.

About the best available discussion of Suez. Recommended.

47. Kavunedus, Thomas G. and Harold E. Hammond. The Middle East: History, Culture, People, Cambridge Book Co., N.Y., 1968, secondary, pp. 68-71, 105-106, 123-124, 136-144, 160-164.

Includes adequate historical survey from ancient to modern times, with both Muhammad Ali's reforms and the British occupation accurately described. Good study of recent developments presented through the case study of an Egyptian village. One glaring mistake is reference to King Fuad I as King Faudi (sic). Recommended.



48. Kimble, George H.T. Man and His World, Silver Burdett Co., Morristown, N.J., 1972, elementary, pp. 312-21.

Explains why the Nile was suitable for civilization with the proximity of building materials, transportation, food and manpower. Survey of ancient Egyptian social organization.

49. \_\_\_\_\_. This is Our Land, Silver Burdett, Morristown, N.J., 1975, secondary, pp. 312-21.

Essentially the same material as above.

50. King, Frederick M. et al. The Social Studies of Our World, Laidlaw Brothers, River Forest, Ill., 1972, elementary, pp. 86-91.

Discussion of ancient Egyptian agriculture, religion, focusing on Re and the Osiris myth and society.

51. Kohn, Clyde F. and Dorothy W. Drummond. The World Today, Its Patterns and Cultures, McGraw Hill Book Co., N.Y., 1971, secondary, pp. 26-27, 421-22, 432, 454-55.

Little historical information but good on recent developments, including the Aswan Dam, modernization, problem of overpopulation. Assertion that most of the world's countries resented the nationalization of the canal is doubtful.

52. Kohn, Dixie Allen. The Middle East, Oxford Book Co., N.Y., 1972, secondary, pp. 85-99 and passim.

Short survey of 19th century history. Focus is on development and improvements in health, education, role of women and general economic situation.

Incorrectly states that Egypt became the U.A.R. in 1954. Recommended.



53. Kolcvzon, Edward R. The Λfro-Asian World: Λ Cultural Understanding, Λllyn and Bacon, Boston, 1972, secondary, pp. 504-06, 543-48.

Ancient Egyptian material stresses geography and agriculture. Good survey of Egyptian history since the British occupation and of the domestic reforms. Poor coverage of the Arab-Israeli wars. Excellent maps. Recommended.

Boston, 1968, secondary, pp. 329-32.

Focuses on agriculture and Nasser's foreign policy failures.

55. Kontos, Peter G. et al. <u>Patterns of Civilization: Africa</u>, Cambridge Book Co., N.Y., 1975, secondary, pp. 3-5, 13-20, 35-40, 309-16, 333-35.

Presents an outline of ancient Egyptian history and sections from the Book of the Dead and the historical novel, The Egyptian. Excellent on Nasser and background to the revolution with excerpts from a biography of Farouk and Anthony Nulting's evaluation of Nasser's career. Recommended.

56. Lee, Susan D. Exploring World Regions: Eastern Hemisphere, Follett Publishing Co., Chicago, 1975, elementary, pp. 409-13.

Good but brief description of Egyptian life.

57. Linder, Bertram et al. Exploring Civilizations: A Discovery Approach, Globe Book Co., N.Y., 1974, elementary, pp. 18-21, 170-73.

Conceptually, perhaps the best textbook available for the elementary student with chapters entitled "How Breasted Learned About Egypt" and "How Did Art and Literature Reflect Egyptian Society" providing the student with much more than idle facts. Could present more material and include sections on modern Egypt. Recommended.



58. McCall, Edith et al. Man - His World and Cultures, Benefic Press, Westchester, Ill., 1972, elementary, pp. 171-73.

Just the opposite of the above in that it attempts to cover all aspects of ancient Egyptian history and culture in two pages.

Not recommended.

59. McNeill, William H. The Ecumene: Story of Humanity, Harper and Row, N.Y., 1973, secondary, pp. 39-44, 63-70, 709-10, 717-18.

One of the best surveys of ancient Egyptian history available, and a very fine section on Champollion's decipherment of hieroglyphics.

Modern material disappointing in that the author argues that Nasser wished to unite the entire Arab World under his leadership but desired no fundamental change.

60. Marvin, Mariah et al. The Human Adventure, Addison-Wesley, Menlo Park, Ca., 1976, elementary, pp. 66-80, 389-99.

Material on ancient Egypt presented through the eyes of a farm boy and includes the Osiris myth, social organization and pyramids, mentioning some of the supposed powers attributed to these structures. Negative on Nasser, discussing his foreign policy failures and stamping out of domestic opposition. Nothing on his reforms.

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