

## **Pyramids**

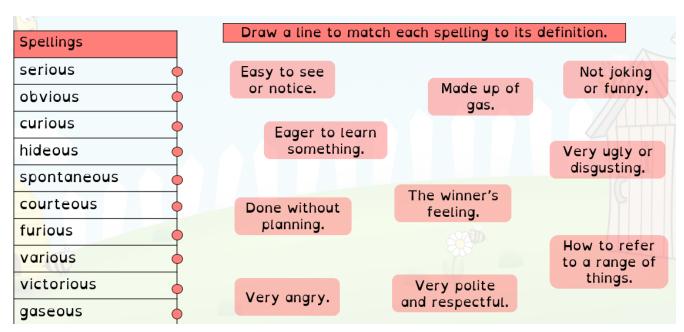
The pyramids were the tombs that were built for the Pharaohs — the kings. The size of the pyramid was built to show the importance of the person who was buried in it. The ancient Egyptians believed that if a person was mummified that they would live forever, so they built these tombs to keep their bodies.

The most famous pyramid is the Great Pyramid (right), built for Pharaoh Khufu. When it was built it was over 140 metres high and took 20 years to build. It stands alongside many other smaller ones. The Great Pyramid has a rough rocky surface because the outer layer of rock has worn down. When the pyramid was originally built, it would have had an outer layer or stone with a smooth appearance.

Inside the pyramid there are a lot of hieroglyphics which tell the story of the pharaoh that was buried there. These would be used to tell the achievements and adventures of the Pharaoh. These hieroglyphics are why we know so much about the ancient Egyptian civilisation and the people who ruled it.

RETRIEVE	What were hieroglyphics used for?
	How tall is the Great Pyramid?  Why was the size of the pyramid important?
INTERPRET	Why do you think pyramids were only built for Pharaohs?
	Why has the author used paragraphs in this text? Tick one.
CHOICE	to make it easier to read
	to separate different bits of information
\mathcal{L}	because you have to use paragraphs when writing

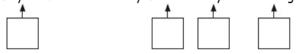






Tick the adverb in the sentence below. Tick one.

The lively crowd cheered loudly when the rally car race began.



What is the grammatical term for the underlined words in the sentence below? Circle one.

My prize was a fluffy green pencil case with a gold zip.

expanded noun phrase fronted adverbial dialogue

Circle the **possessive pronoun** in the passage below.

The boy showed me around the school.

He took me to the music room and pointed out which classroom was his.

Circle the adjective in the sentence below.

Gareth waited nervously behind the curtains before he walked onto the empty stage.