

# Ancient Egyptians

## Learning Objective:

To investigate BC dates and key events from the Ancient Egyptian period.

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What do you know  
about the Ancient  
Egyptians?

Think, pair, share your ideas.

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Can you place Egypt on a map?



Which continent is it in?

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Egypt is in Africa. Most of the land is covered by desert. Many of the towns and cities are located near oases or the main river which runs through the country. Do you know which river this is?



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The Nile is one of the longest rivers in the world and was the key to successful settlements in Egypt over 5000 years ago!

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Can you put these historical periods in order from earliest to latest? Do you know which are BC and which are AD?

Tudors



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Stone Age

Ancient Egypt



Victorians

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Stone Age

Ancient  
Egypt

Tudors

Victorians



BC

1 BC

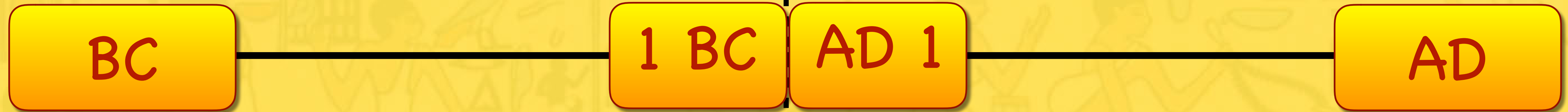
AD 1

AD

Did you get the right order?  
Do you know the difference between BC and AD?

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BC means 'before Christ'. Anything that happened before the year AD 1 is BC.

AD is an abbreviation of the Latin phrase: anno Domini which means 'in the year of the Lord'. Unless there could be some confusion, we usually leave out the AD when saying the year.



Sometimes people use BCE (Before Common Era) and CE (Common Era) instead of referencing Christianity.

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Can you place these years on the timeline?  
Think carefully about the position of the BC dates.

AD 2

3 BC

6 BC

AD 5

1 BC

AD 1



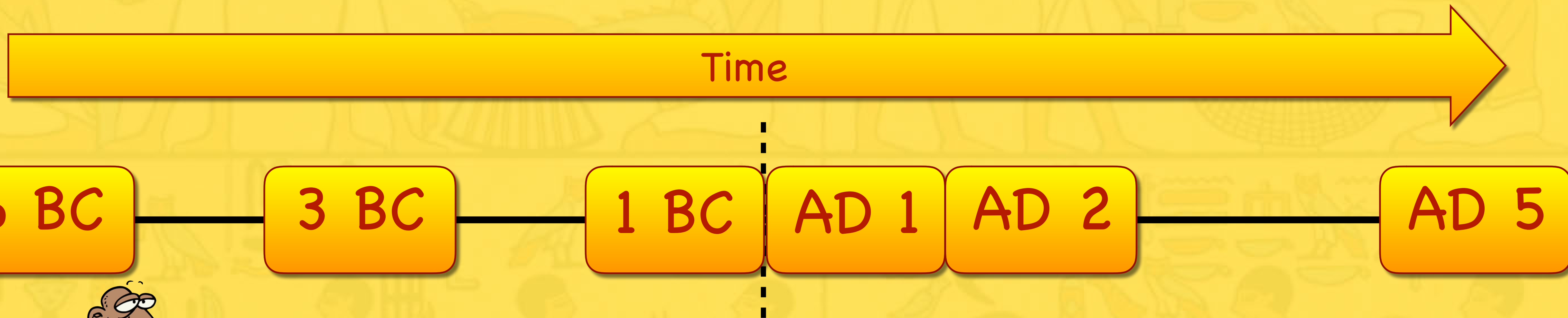
Did you know that there is no  
AD 0 or 0 BC? When 1 BC ended it went  
straight into AD 1.

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The AD dates count up; smaller numbered dates happened earlier than larger numbered dates.

The BC dates count down; larger numbered dates happened earlier than smaller numbered dates.



So that means that the year 60 BC happened after the year 70 BC.

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# Which date happened first?

10 BC

AD 10



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Which date happened first?

10 BC

AD 10

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# Which date happened first?

AD 12

AD 33



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Which date happened first?

AD 12

AD 33

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Which date happened first?

14 BC

5 BC



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Which date happened first?

14 BC

5 BC

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Which date happened first?

650 BC

700 BC



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Which date happened first?

650 BC

700 BC

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The Ancient Egyptian period lasted for over 3000 years!  
It began as settlers started to move into the Nile Valley and  
set up settlements near the River Nile.

>3500 BC

30 BC

AD 2000

## Ancient Egypt

It ended when the last Pharaoh,  
Cleopatra VII, committed suicide  
and Egypt became part of the  
Roman Empire in 30 BC.



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3000 years is a long time! What do you think are some key events from the Ancient Egyptian period?

>3500 BC

2000 BC

1000 BC

30 BC

## Ancient Egypt

Do you think Tutankhamen ruled before or after the pyramids were built?



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# Plenary

The pyramids of Giza were built around the year  
2600 BC.

Cleopatra became Pharaoh in the year 51 BC.



Roughly how many  
years are between  
these two events?

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# Plenary

The pyramids were around 2500 years old by the time Cleopatra became Pharaoh!



They were as old to her as she is to us!

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