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| **Nile River**  | A major river system in northeastern Africa that is considered the longest single river in the world.  |
| **Upper Egypt** | The southern region of Ancient Egypt, located upriver |
| **Lower Egypt** | The northern region of Ancient Egypt, located downriver |
| **Cataracts** | rapids |
| **Delta** | A triangle shaped area of land made from soil deposited by a river. |
| **Pharaoh**  | Title of rulers from different periods of Ancient Egypt.  |
| **Dynasty**  | Sequence of rulers that typically come from the same family.  |
| **Old Kingdom** | Period in Egyptian history from 2700 to 2200 BC. |
| **Afterlife** | Life after death |
| **Mummies**  | Specially treated bodies wrapped in cloth.  |
| **Sarcophagus (p287)** | Coffin for the permanent keeping of a mummy in Egypt.  |
| **Pyramids**  | Huge, stone tombs with four triangle shaped sides that meet in a point on top.  |
| **Middle Kingdom** | A period of order and stability in Ancient Egypt that lasted from 2050 to 1750 BC. |
| **New Kingdom** | The period when Egypt reached the height of its power and glory (1550 to 1050 BC). |
| **Ramses the Great (p297)** | Powerful Egyptian Pharaoh from the New Kingdom period, considered the last great Egyptian pharaoh, known for his massive monuments |
| **Hieroglyphics**  | Egyptian writing system.  |
| **Papyrus**  | Long-lasting, paperlike material made from reeds  |
| **Rosetta Stone**  | A stone slab inscribed with hieroglyphics.  |
| **Sphinxes**  | Imaginary creatures with the bodies of lions and the head of other animals or humans.  |