

# History

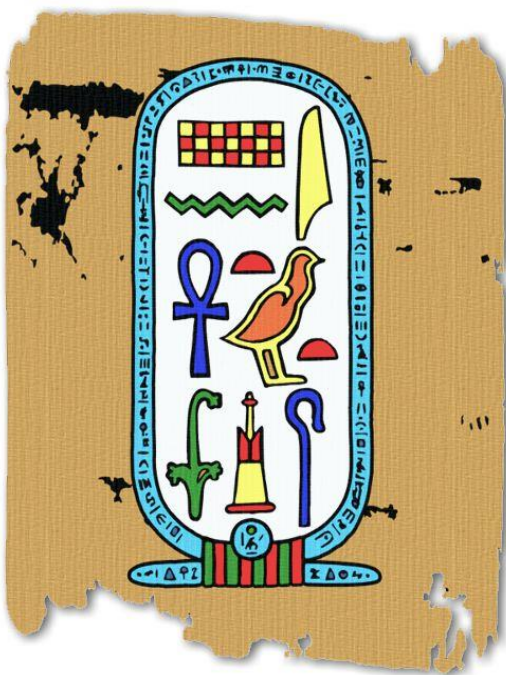
You are going to go on a journey to learn about an amazing ancient **civilisation**, the **Ancient Egyptians**. We will be doing activities to help you become an Ancient Egypt expert.

Before you start, watch this: [Introducing Ancient Egypt video](#)

Your first task is going to be to learn to write like an Ancient Egyptian! They use a special alphabet called hieroglyphs (also called hieroglyphics).

We can read **hieroglyphs** (*hai-ruh-glifs*) because **archaeologists** discovered the **Rosetta Stone**. It is famous because it contains hieroglyphic script that specialists were able to decode (make sense of).

This video explains it a little more: [Rosetta Stone video](#)



The Egyptians wrote the names of their kings or queens inside an oval shape called a **cartouche** (*car-toosh*), to show that they were special. The first cartouche you see here is the cartouche of **Pharaoh Tutankhamun** (*Toot-ahn-ka-moon*).

## Your task

Use the hieroglyph card on the next page to write your name. There are some examples of how you can do this creatively! There is blank cartouche for you to use, if you want to.

## New vocabulary

hieroglyphs

Rosetta Stone

cartouche

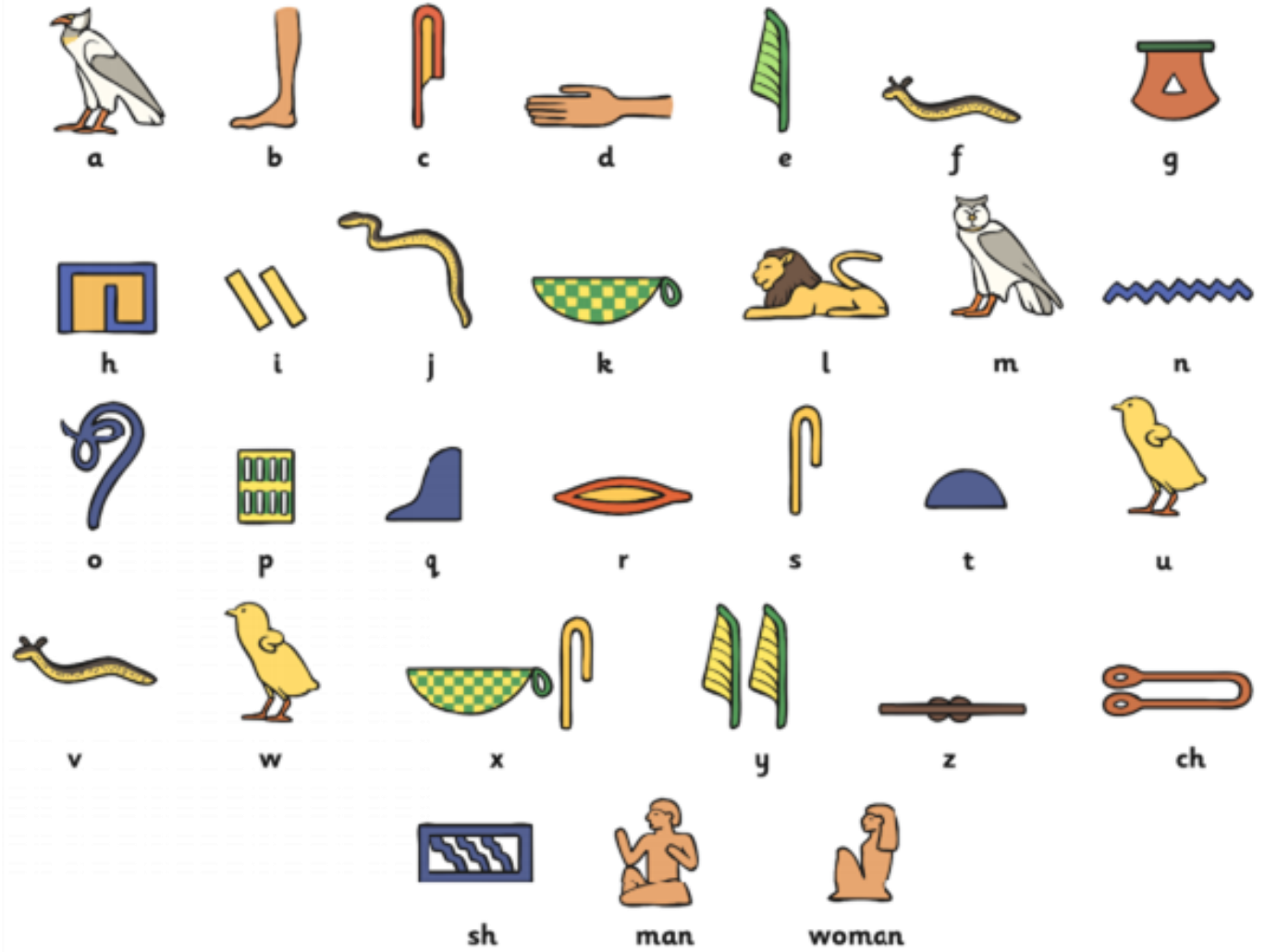
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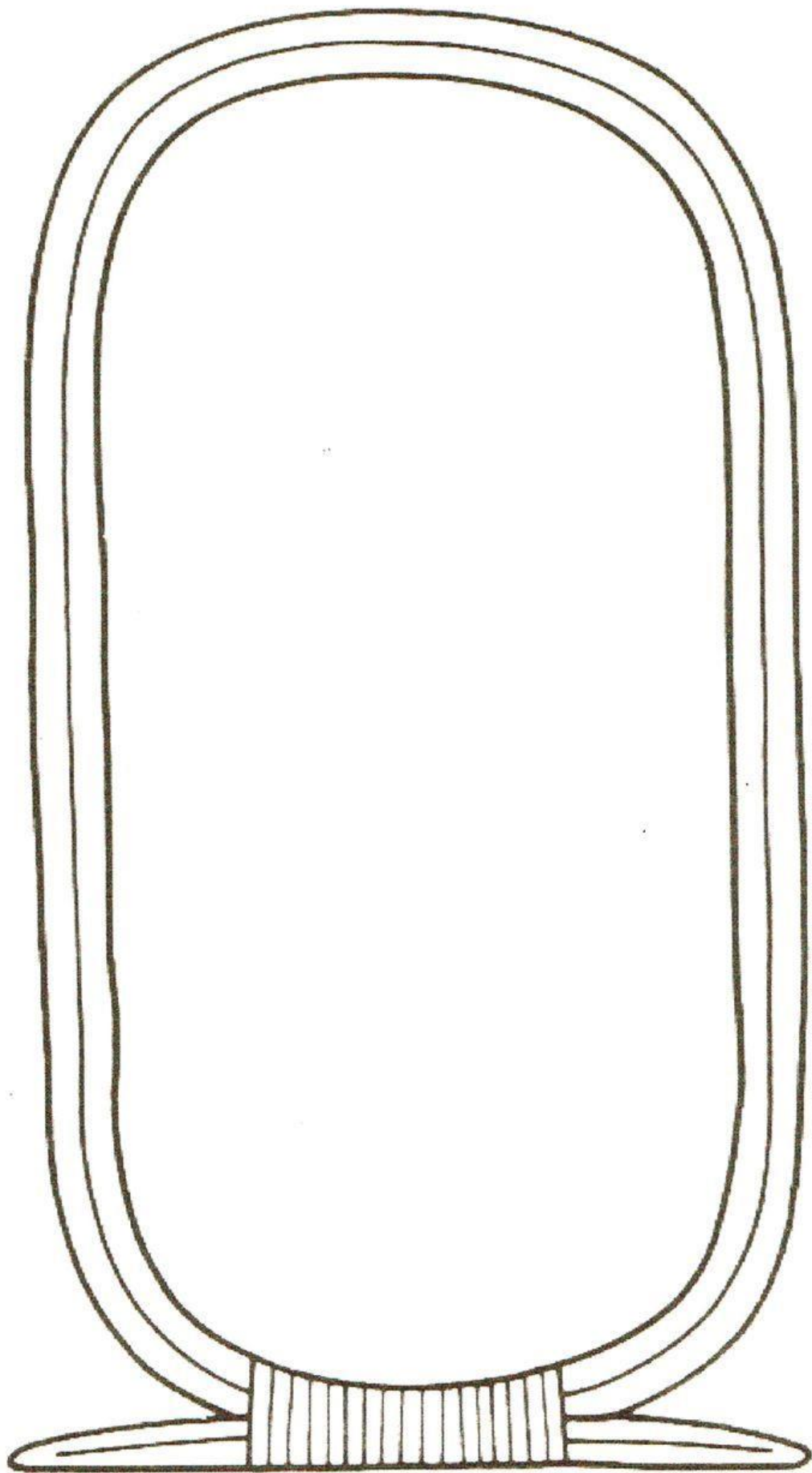
# Egyptian hieroglyphs

Watch out for the symbol that represents two letters (like ch)



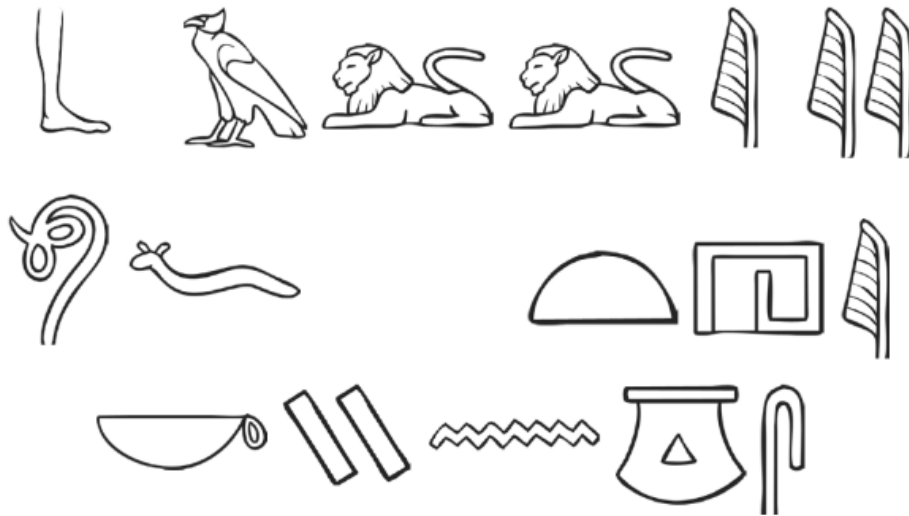
Here are some example of different ways to create your cartouche. You can use clay, plasticine, card, paint, markers and collage.





## Extra activities

1. What does the message below mean?



2. Write the word 'Egyptians' in hieroglyphs here:

3. You are the teacher!

Plan a short message (in English) that you are going to write in hieroglyphs. Can someone in your family translate it with your help?