

Engineering Egyptians



History



embalming



archaeological



sarcophagi



entombed

Afterlife	The place where Egyptians believed they would go after they died.
Akhet	The season of the year when the Nile river flooded.
Canopic Jars	Special jars that held organs of a mummy including the lungs, intestines, liver and stomach.
Hieroglyphics	A type of writing that used a combination of pictures and symbols.
Mummification	The process of preserving a body after death in preparation for the afterlife.
Papyrus	A plant that grew on the banks of the Nile. It was used as an early version of paper.
Pharaoh	The supreme ruler of all of Ancient Egypt.
Sarcophagus	A large stone box that held a mummy's coffin. Often richly decorated for Pharaohs.



Tutankhamun's death mask

Pyramids were built as tombs and monuments to pharaohs. They were built from limestone blocks that were cut from the ground. Wooden sleds pulled by people over wet sand were used to move the blocks. The Pyramids were built to the west of the Nile River, which was associated with the land of the dead. The base of a pyramid was a perfect square, and the pyramids had four triangular sides and deep inside a burial chamber was located which contained the pharaoh's mummified body and treasures. To prevent people from entering, statues of guards were placed outside the burial chamber doors and traps and curses were put on the tombs and pyramids to keep robbers out. The largest pyramids were made from over 2,000,000 blocks of limestone. There are around 138 Egyptian pyramids.

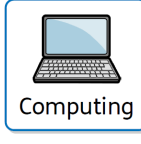
The Nile

The river Nile was essential to life in ancient Egypt. Every year, it flooded, leaving behind a black silt that enriched the soil for growing crops. The river was also used to irrigate fields in other areas.

Most people lived along and around the Nile. This is still true in Egypt today. The river was used for water, fishing and trade. Mud from the river was used for bricks and papyrus plants were used to make paper.

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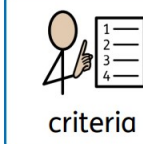
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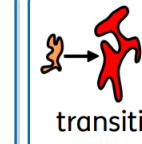
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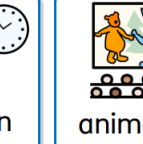
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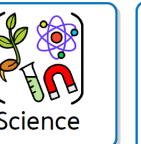
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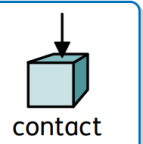
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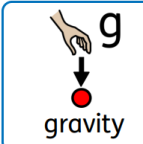
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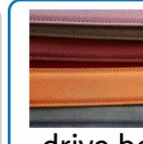
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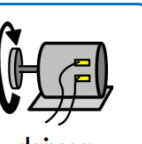
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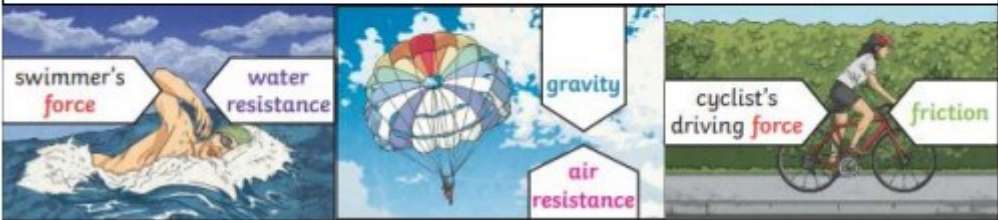
driver



exploded diagram

Examples of forces in action:

Water resistance and air resistance are forms of friction. Friction is sometimes helpful and sometimes unhelpful. For example, air resistance is helpful as it stops the skydiver hitting the ground at high speed. Friction on a bike chain can make the bike harder to pedal so it is unhelpful.



Key vocabulary

friction	A force that acts between two surfaces or objects that are moving, or trying to move, across each other
air resistance	A type of friction caused by air pushing against any moving object
water resistance	A type of friction caused by water pushing against any moving object
buoyancy	An upward force that a liquid applies to objects
streamlined	When an object is shaped to minimise the effects of air or water resistance
mechanism	Parts which work together in a machine. Examples of mechanisms are pulleys, gears and levers.

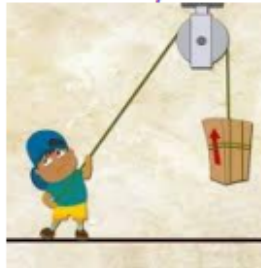
This shark is streamlined. It has a pointed nose to cut through the water, and a smooth, low, curved back to allow the water to flow over and around it. It does not create much water resistance so it can move through the water quickly.



Types of Motion in Mechanical Systems

rotary motion	Turning round in a circle, e.g. a wheel.
linear motion	Moving in a straight line, e.g. paper trimmer.
reciprocating motion	Moving forwards and backwards in a straight line, e.g. cutting with a saw.
oscillating motion	Swinging from side to side in an arc, e.g. a pendulum in a clock.

Pulleys



Pulleys can be used to make a small force lift a heavier load. The more wheels in a pulley, the less force is needed to lift a weight.

Gears/Cogs



Gears or cogs can be used to change the speed, force or direction of a motion. When two gears are connected, they always turn in the opposite direction to each other.

Levers



Levers can be used to make a small force lift a heavier load. A lever always rests on a pivot.