Please note I had great difficulty attaching the reading comprehension so I have had to do it in two parts. These are the questions. Please find the text in another upload.



Ancient Egyptian Gods

1.	How many gods were there in ancient Egypt?
2.	What kind of snake sat on Ra's head?
3.	Who is Isis?
4.	What was the name of the first mummy?
5.	Choose one of the gods and explain what you understand about them.



Ancient Egyptian Gods

1.	How many gods were there in ancient Egypt?
2.	Why are the names of the gods in bold ?
3.	What was special about Amun?
4.	Who created hieroglyphics?
5.	Who was married to Thoth?
6.	What was the name of the first mummy?
7.	Why do you think pictures were included in the text?
8.	In which kind of book would you expect to find an information sheet like this?



Ancient Egyptian Gods

1.	How do you think the author selected these ten gods from a list of 2000?
2.	What does the author mean by the word 'mummification'?
3.	Find a word in section nine that means the same as a religious act.
4.	If you could choose the head of a bird for yourself, which bird would you choose and why?
5.	What do you think the Egyptians meant by a 'heavy heart'?
6.	Why do you think the Egyptians had so many gods?
7.	Why is it important to know about ancient Egyptian gods?
8.	How does the layout of this text help you to understand the information better?

LA Answers

- 1. There were more than 2000 gods in ancient Egypt.
- A sacred cobra sat on Ra's head.
- 3. Isis is the mother of Horus and the queen of the goddesses.
- 4. Osiris is believed to be the first mummy.
- Pupil's own response. They should include the name of the god/goddesses and identify at least one further detail.

HA Answers

- Pupils may give several responses, but anticipate the following: the gods and goddesses
 are considered the most important; they are considered the most interesting; they are
 likely to be the most well-known.
- 2. 'Mummification' means to preserve a body after death by wrapping it up.
- Ritual
- Pupil's own response.
- 'Heavy heart' is a metaphor for sadness. It suggests the heart feels heavy because a person is affected by lots of emotion.
- Pupils may give several reasons, but anticipate the following: every god and goddess needed their own role; it gave all Egyptians something to believe in; it helped people to understand natural events (such as the weather) better.
- Pupils may give a variation of the following: it is important to know about these gods because it helps us to understand how the people of ancient Egypt thought about the world and how our lives today differ.
- The bold text, numbering and paragraphing allows the reader to find parts of the text more quickly and may help them to remember it easy.

MA Answers

- There were more than 2000 gods in ancient Egypt.
- The names are in bold so that they stand out from the rest of the text and can be found easily.
- It is said that Amun created all things, so he is special.
- 4. It is believed that Thoth, the god of wisdom, invented hieroglyphics.
- Ma'at was married to Thoth.
- Osiris is believed to be the first mummy.
- 7. Pictures were included to show how each of the gods and goddesses looked.
- I would expect to find this information in a non-fiction text, such as a non-chronological report.