**Year 7 History: Ancient Egypt**

**Syllabus Dot Points**

Students learn about:

* The physical features of the ancient society and how they influenced the civilisation that developed there.
* Roles of key groups in the ancient society, including the influence of law and religion
* The significant beliefs, values and practices of the ancient society, with a particular emphasis on death and funerary customs
* Contacts and conflicts within and/or with other societies, resulting in developments such as the conquest of other lands, the expansion of trade and peace treaties
* The role of a significant individual in the ancient Mediterranean world such as Tutankhamen

**Unit Outline**

1. Geography
2. The River Nile
3. Resources
4. The social hierarchy
5. Pyramids
6. Homes & Clothing
7. Writing & School
8. Religion
9. Life After Death and Mummies
10. Tutankhamen
11. Contacts and Conflicts

**Metalanguage List**

akhet ankh canopic jars cartouche

death mask deity delta dynasty

embalming hieroglyphics inundation mummification

natron papyrus pharaoh sarcophagus

silt sphinx temple tomb

**Kick start questions**

1. Describe the geographical setting and natural features of Ancient Egypt
2. Explain how the geographical setting and natural features influenced the development of Ancient Egypt
3. Outline how Ancient Egypt was organised and governed including the roles of law and religion
4. Describe the roles of appropriate key groups in the ancient society, eg the ruling elite, the nobility, citizens, bureaucracy, women and slaves
5. Describe the everyday life of men, women and children in Ancient Egypt
6. Explain how the beliefs and values of the ancient society are evident in practices related to death and funerary customs
7. Identify contacts and conflicts of peoples within Ancient Egypt
8. Describe significant contacts with other societies through trade, warfare and conquest
9. Explain the consequences of these contacts with other societies, eg developments in trade, the spread of religious beliefs, the emergence of empires and diplomacy
10. Explain the legacy of Ancient Egypt
11. Using a range of sources, including digital sources, investigate the role of Tutankhamen.
12. Assess the role and significance of Tutankhamen.