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1. Look at the picture on page 20. Where did most people in Egypt live?
2. How did farmers cope with the yearly flooding of the Nile?
3. What advantages did the Nile River and the Nile River Valley give to Egypt?
4. Examine the map on page 21. When the text talks about the “north wind,” is it talking about wind that blows *from* the north or *to* the north?
5. How did people eventually decipher the hieroglyphics?
6. What did Menes do?
7. The Great Sphinx and the largest pyramids were built during the period known as what?
8. What brought about the collapse of Egypt's Old Kingdom?
9. The power of the pharaoh was weakened when who became stronger than the pharaohs?
10. Look at the map on page 24. How did the Egyptians generally transport their goods?
11. How did the Egyptians learn much of their warrior technology?
12. What did Amenhotep IV do?

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13. What were the pyramids used for?
14. What did the Egyptians do with the remaining five days of the calendar year?
15. What did the Egyptians believe happened to a person's soul after their death?
16. What did the *Book of the Dead* do for a mummified person?