

ANCIENT EGYPTIANS

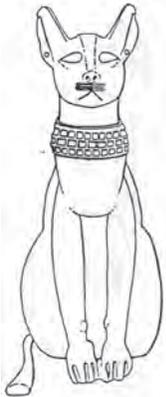


Use the map to help you find them.

Try our Egyptastic trail to find out more about Ancient Egyptian objects in the museum.

1 CAT GODDESS

Many animals were thought to be very special and Ancient Egyptian gods had the heads of animals. This is the cat goddess called Bast.



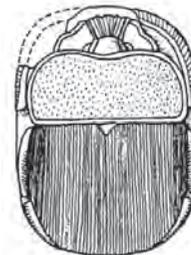
Gemstones from the collar and gold earrings are missing from this statue.

What do you think happened to them?

2 SCARAB BEETLE

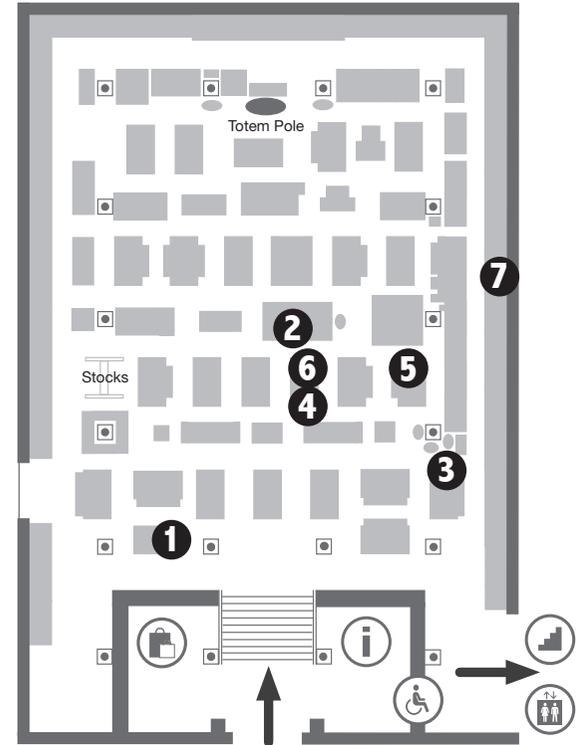
Ancient Egyptians wrote in Heiroglyphs which are little pictures. Like us they wrote from left to right, but also right to left. They wrote top to bottom and side to side too.

See if you can spot one of the heiroglyphs on this scarab beetle. Draw one in the box.



3 WOODEN EAR

Any body parts damaged during mummification were replaced with carved wooden parts like this ear.



4 THREE FISH



In this case you will find three fish in a box. They might look a bit different to the fish you might know. They have been mummified and were placed in a tomb for a mummy to eat in the afterlife.

Imagine you are an Ancient Egyptian. What types of food would you like to eat in the afterlife?

5 AMULETS

When Ancient Egyptians were mummified amulets were wrapped into their bandages. An amulet is like a lucky charm that would protect the wearer from bad things.

Look in the case. Can you spot an amulet of:

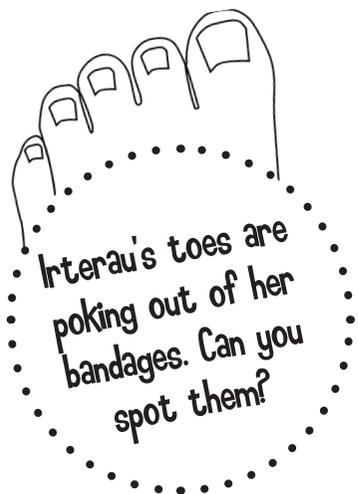
- Taueris, hippo headed goddess**
- Anubis, jackal headed god of the dead**
- Horus, the hawk headed sun god**

6 GOLDEN TONGUE

Golden tongues were sometimes placed on top of the tongues of mummies. This was to protect them from damage.



This is the Egyptian symbol for gold, 'Nebu'.



Irterau's toes are poking out of her bandages. Can you spot them?

7 MUMMY

This is our Ancient Egyptian mummy Irterau. She was about 25-30 years old when she died. Ancient Egyptians believed in life after death so prepared bodies to be used again. They thought that one day the spirit of the person, their 'Ka', would re-enter the body and they would live again. Rich Egyptians would have beautifully hand decorated coffins with different symbols painted on them.

Can you spot the following symbols on Irterau's coffin? Remember it has 3 parts!



Winged Isis with throne on her head



Eye of Horus



Scarab



Anubis

