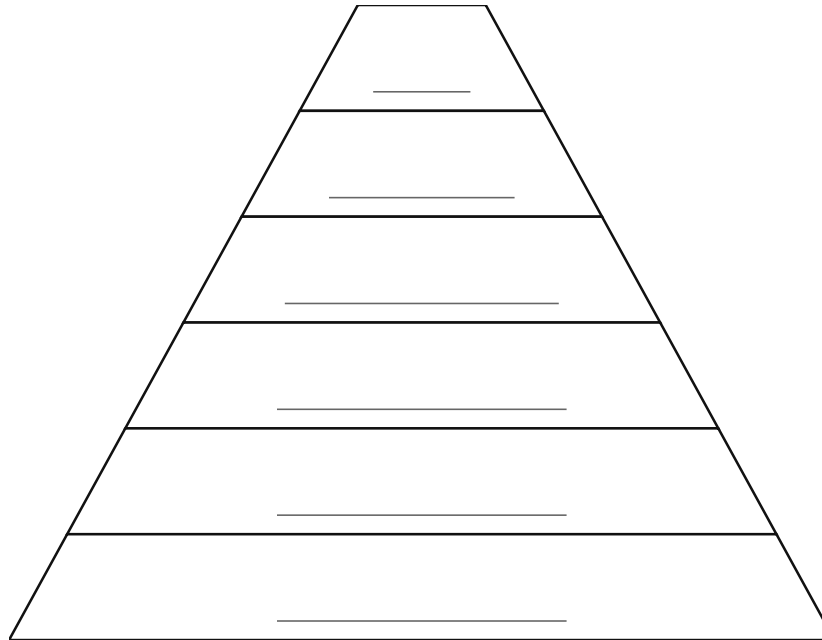




WHO WAS WHO IN ANCIENT EGYPT



Use the clues to write each group in its place on the pyramid. The pyramid shows rank: the most power at the top, the fewest rights at the bottom. It does not show how many people were in each group.



♦ GROUPS ♦

- Pharaoh
- Vizier, high priests and nobles
- Artisans and merchants
- Enslaved people
- Farmers
- Scribes

♦ CLUES ♦

- A. Ruled all of Egypt, made the laws, led the army and the temples. Egyptians believed this ruler was a god on earth.
- B. Spent years learning to read and write, then kept records of taxes, harvests, laws and letters.
- C. The largest group. They grew wheat, barley and flax, paid part of the crop as tax and worked on building projects during the flood.
- D. Carpenters, potters, jewelers, painters and stone carvers, plus traders who bought and sold goods.
- E. Often prisoners of war. They worked in homes, temples and mines and were not free to leave.
- F. Ran the government, collected taxes, cared for the gods' temples and governed Egypt's regions for the ruler.

1. Which group was the largest? Use the clues to explain.

2. Which group could a boy from an ordinary family join to move up in society? What skill did he need?

3. Where did many enslaved people come from, and where did they work?
