

3.2 The Kingdoms of Egypt (pp. 88-95)

Section Outline: Complete the section outline as you read. Remember that an outline contains the most important facts from a reading, and is not usually written in complete sentences. An outline can be a way of creating organized notes.

- Egypt Is United
 - The First Pharaoh
- Egypt's Government and Religion
 - A New Government
 - Religion in Ancient Egypt
 - Mummification
 - The Pyramids
- The Glories of the Old Kingdom
 - The Great Pyramid
 - Ancient Egyptian Writing
 - Scribes
- Deciphering Hieroglyphics
 - A Lost Language Recovered
 - Understanding the Economy

Reading Check Questions: Answer the following questions as you read the text.

1. Why was the double crown an important symbol in ancient Egypt?
2. What role did the pharaoh play in Egypt's government and religion?
3. How do you think writing helped the pharaoh keep control of his kingdom?
4. How did understanding hieroglyphs help scholars learn about Egypt?