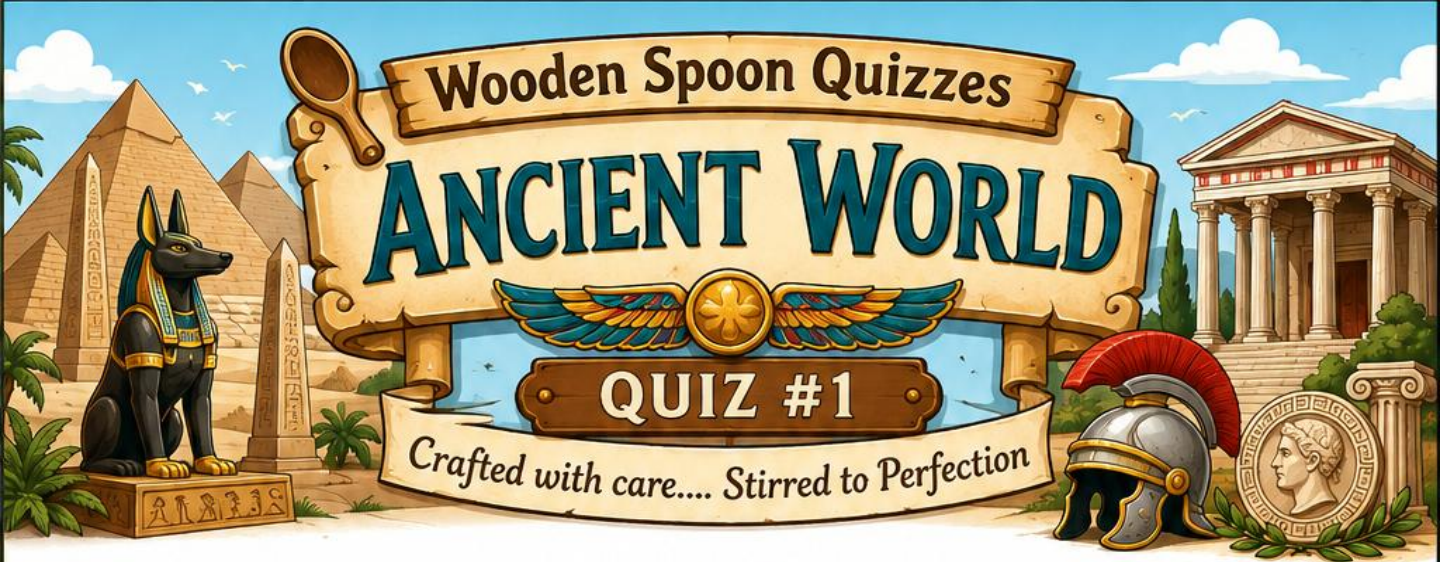




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Thoth



Thoth was usually depicted as a man with the head of an ibis, although he could also appear as a baboon — apparently wisdom doesn't require you to settle on just one look

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Animal fat



Ancient Egyptian perfumes could use fats or oils to hold aromatic ingredients. So while modern perfume counters offer elegant glass bottles, the ancient version could start with something considerably greasier

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Ancient Egyptians



Egyptian hieroglyphic writing contained hundreds of signs representing sounds, words and ideas — making complaining about English spelling seem slightly less justified

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Anubis



Anubis, the jackal-headed god, was strongly associated with embalming and protecting the dead. Osiris, meanwhile, became ruler and judge of the underworld — Ancient Egyptian death duties were very much a team effort

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The Nile provided water and fertile land for farming



The Nile's annual flooding deposited nutrient-rich silt onto nearby farmland, helping turn land surrounded by desert into one of the ancient world's great agricultural centres

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30 years old



Genesis 41:46 gives Joseph's age as 30 when he entered Pharaoh's service — quite an impressive career move for someone whose earlier employment included being sold into slavery

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Cat



Cats were highly revered in Ancient Egypt and were associated particularly with the goddess Bastet. Harming one could get you into considerably more trouble than shooing next door's moggy out of the garden

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Papyrus



Papyrus was made by layering strips from the papyrus plant and pressing them together — giving the ancient world something much easier to carry around than a stone tablet

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Tutankhamun



Tutankhamun married Nefertiti's daughter Ankhesenamun, making Nefertiti his mother-in-law — proving complicated royal family connections existed long before modern soap operas

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Ra



Ra was commonly depicted with a falcon's head topped by a solar disc and became one of Egypt's most important deities — understandable when your country gets quite a lot of sunshine

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Canopic jars



Four canopic jars traditionally held the liver, lungs, stomach and intestines, while the heart was usually left inside the body because Egyptians believed it would be needed in the afterlife

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The Tarpeian Rock



The Tarpeian Rock was associated with the execution of traitors and other offenders by throwing them from its height — Ancient Rome certainly wasn't known for its gentle sentencing guidelines