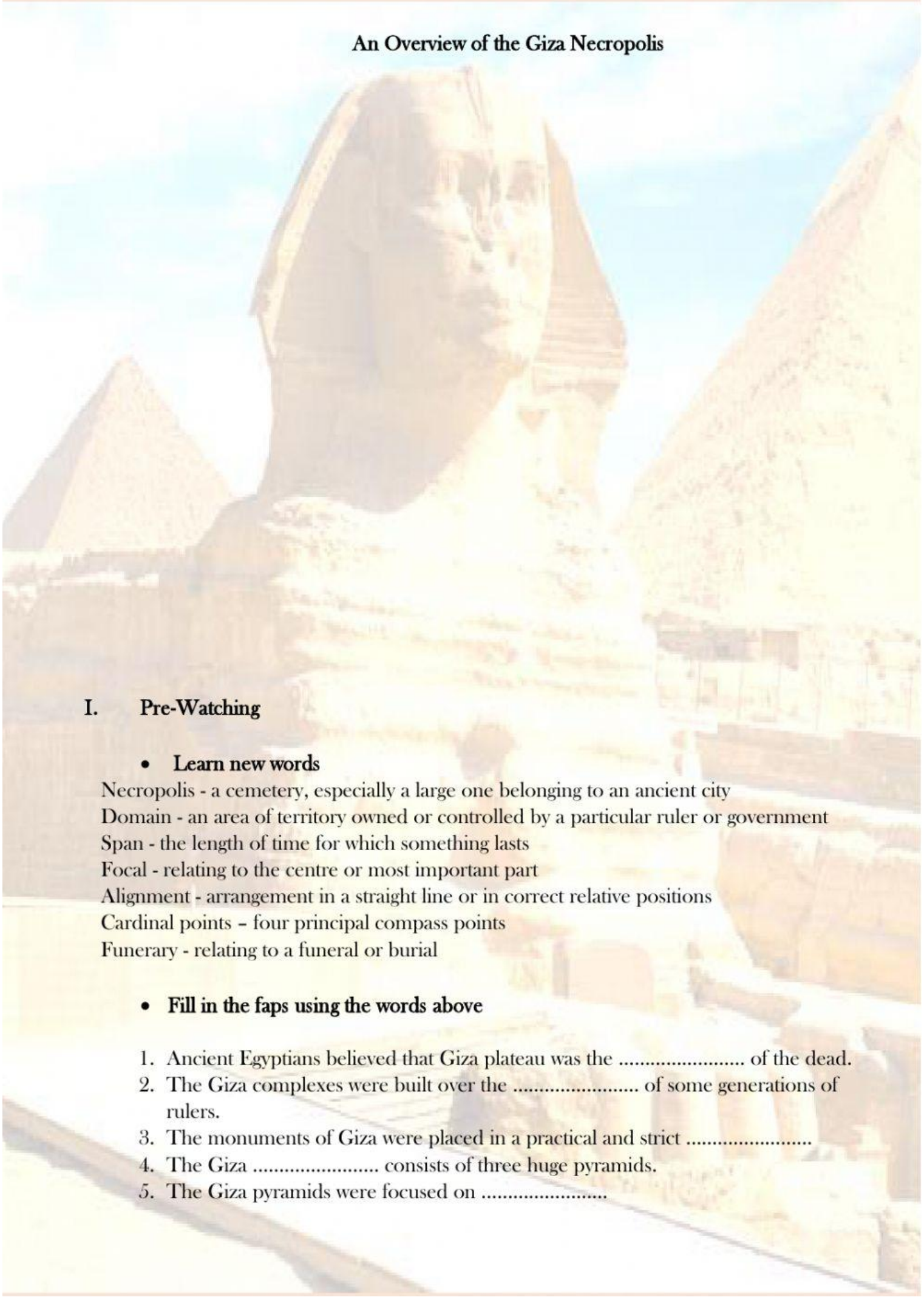
An Overview of the Giza Necropolis



I. Pre-Watching

- **Learn new words**

Necropolis - a cemetery, especially a large one belonging to an ancient city
Domain - an area of territory owned or controlled by a particular ruler or government
Span - the length of time for which something lasts
Focal - relating to the centre or most important part
Alignment - arrangement in a straight line or in correct relative positions
Cardinal points – four principal compass points
Funerary - relating to a funeral or burial

- **Fill in the faps using the words above**

1. Ancient Egyptians believed that Giza plateau was the ..... of the dead.
2. The Giza complexes were built over the ..... of some generations of rulers.
3. The monuments of Giza were placed in a practical and strict .....
4. The Giza ..... consists of three huge pyramids.
5. The Giza pyramids were focused on .....

II. While-Watching

- **Choose the correct answer**

1. The Giza plateau is on the ... bank of the Nile.
   a) west
   b) east
   c) north
2. The Giza plateau was considered the area of the ghosts.
   True False
3. Three generations built the Giza pyramidal complexes.
   True False
4. Who did NOT build the Giza complexes?
   a) Khufu
   b) Tutankhamun
   c) Menkaure
5. Giza is famous for ... pyramids.
   a) two
   b) three
   c) four
6. The rulers were elected to be buried in Giza.
   True False
7. Memphis was far away from Giza.
   True False
8. Memphis was chosen the capital city in ...
   a) the Old Kingdom
   b) the New Kingdom
   c) after Cleopatra ruled
9. The monuments in Giza were strictly aligned.
   True False
10. Ancient Egyptians took geology into account while building the Giza construction.
    True False
11. The Sphynx is a part of the Giza complex.
    True False
12. Giza used to be a part of a wider group of funerary complexes.
    True False

III. After-watching

Describe the picture, using the following plan.

1. In the picture I can see ...
2. On the right/left there is/are ...
3. At the top/bottom I can see ...
4. In the foreground/background ...
5. I guess it is ... since ...
6. The picture makes me think of ...
7. I like the picture because ...