

The Great Pyramid of Giza

The Great Pyramid of Giza is the most important symbol of Egypt and it **1..... (BE)** also the last of the ancient Seven Wonders of the World. We can find it in Giza , near the modern city of Cairo. The pyramid **2 (RISE)** to a height of 146 metres and it **3 (CONTAIN)** over two million blocks of stone. Some people **4..... (NOT THINK)** it was built by humans, because the blocks are really heavy!



In 1880, archaeologists **5 (DECIDE)** to excavate the site for the first time. They had a big question in mind: "Why **6.....** the Ancient Egyptians **(BUILD)** this big structure?" They **7 (WORK)** for a long time but they **8 (NOT FIND)** any written record that explained why the pyramid was built. However, they **9 (FIND)** a lot of evidence to form a theory about why the pyramid was built.

Archaeologists believe that a long time ago, the pharaoh Sneferu **10 (want)** to build a pyramid as a tomb for him. The pharaoh **11 (HAVE)** many slaves and he ordered these men to build a big pyramid for him. But he **12 (NOT SEE)** his project finished. Some years later, Sneferu **13..... (DIE)** and his son Khufu **14 (BECOME)** the new king. During his reign the construction of the big tomb **15 (FINISH)**

For many years, Archaeologists **16..... (study)** Egyptian objects, mummies, papyruses and any other evidence of the past and they **17 (USE)** this evidence to imagine how life in Egypt was like hundreds of years ago. Thanks to them, nowadays we **18 (KNOW)** a lot about life in Ancient Egypt.

People are so fascinated by Ancient Egypt that every year millions of tourists **19 (TRAVEL)** to Egypt to visit this incredible site. They take pictures of the big pyramid and they go on tours to see the ancient pharaoh's tomb, but they **20..... (NOT TOUCH)** the tomb, because many stories say it's haunted!