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Level 2

New mummies found near Luxor, Egypt

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THE READING

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Archaeologists have found a tomb with three mummies inside it. The tomb is over 3,500 years old. The mummies are a woman and her two sons, who were in their 20s and 30s. Archaeologists say the tomb belonged to a royal goldsmith called Amenemhat. The woman may be his wife. There was a statue of the goldsmith, sitting beside the woman. The tomb is near the city of Luxor on the River Nile. Luxor is 700km south of Egypt's capital Cairo. Archaeologists say the woman was about 50 when she died. The woman died because of a bone disease. All three bodies were in very good condition.

The site that contains Amenemhat's tomb had a courtyard and two burial shafts. A team of Egyptian archaeologists found it. The team spent six years digging on the site. Archaeologist Dr Yousef Khalifa told Arab News: "Luxor alone has one-third of the world's ancient monuments and visitors will enjoy exploring the newly found ancient Egyptian relics." Dr Khalifa thinks the new mummies will help Egypt's tourism industry. He said many tourists will come to see them. Egypt's head of antiquities, Dr Khaled al-Anani, hopes archaeologists will find more mummies in the area.

Sources: http://www.**bbc.com**/news/world-middle-east-41213024

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- 1. a tomb with three mummies
- 2. a woman and her two
- 3. in their
- 4. near the city of Luxor
- 5. Luxor is 700km south of
- 6. the woman was about 50
- 7. The woman died because
- 8. If three bodies were in very

- a. of a bone disease
- b. 20s and 30s
- c. Egypt's capital Cairo
- d. good condition
- e. inside it
- f. on the River Nile
- q. sons
- h. when she died

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- 1. The team spent six years
- 2. one-third of the world's ancient
- 3. visitors will enjoy
- 4. the newly found ancient
- 5. help Egypt's tourism
- 6. many tourists will
- 7. Egypt's head
- 8. find more mummies

- a. Egyptian relics
- b. of antiquities
- c. industry
- d. in the area
- e. digging on the site
- f. exploring
- g. monuments
- h. come to see them

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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| be his wife. There (4) | the gold | dsmith, | sitting |
| beside the woman. The tomb is near the city | of Luxo | r on the | River |
| Nile. Luxor is (5) E | gypt's | capital | Cairo. |
| Archaeologists say the woman was about 50 | when s | she die | d. The |
| woman died because of a bone disease | e. All | three | bodies |
| (6) good condition. | | | |
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PUT A SLASH (/)WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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MUMMIES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about mummies in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

| | STUDENT 1 | STUDENT 2 | STUDENT 3 |
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| Q.1. | | | |
| Q.2. | | | |
| Q.3. | | | |
| Q.4. | | | |
| Q.5. | | | |

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

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