## Overhead 4 The Union of Two Lands

1. **Upper Egypt**

* Southern part- 1st cataract and northward to the Nile Delta
* King wore wall, white pear shaped crown

1. **Lower Egypt**

* Northern part-Nile Delta
* King wore short red crown

\*\* Knowledge of prehistoric Egypt mixed by legend\*\*

### Menes (MEE neez)

* King of Upper Egypt
* In 3100B.C.E. defeats Lower Egypt
* Created **double crown**- **why?**

Answer: It stood for the union of the two lands (Upper and Lower Egypt)

* Formed **dynasty** (series of rulers from same family)
* May have been a legend since writing not invented
* Names Memphis capital
* **Knowledge of prehistoric Egypt mixed with legend- why?**

Answer: Writing not invented until after King Menes rules (Invented around 3100 BCE

**Overhead 5** **Accomplishments Before the Old Kingdom**

1. Learned to Irrigation
2. Formed governments
3. Hieroglyphic writing
4. Created belief systems that formed the basis of society

**Three Kingdoms**

**Old Kingdom-** 2686-2181 (great pyramids)

### Middle Kingdom- 2055-1650 (stronger literature, architecture, art)

**New Kingdom-** 1570-1070 (world power empire)

**Overhead 6 Pyramids**

* **Why were they built for?**

Answer: Built for pharaohs/kings/queens

* Took sometimes 20 years to build
* Tens of thousands of people built them
* **Who would build them?**

Answer: Built mostly by farmers (during flood season) and some slaves

**Step Pyramid**

* **Who was it built for?**

Answer: King Zoser (also known as king Djoser)

* **Who designed the Step Pyramid?**

Answer: Zoser’s advisor Imhotep design the pyramid

* **Before Pyramids, where were old royal Egyptian tombs?**

Answer: In an underground burial chamber

* **What material was used to build these old Egyptian tombs?**

Answer: Mud brick

### Architecture of Step Pyramid

1. Showed Religious beliefs of ancient Egyptians
2. Steps were of king climbing to heaven
3. Later pyramids took form of slope of sun’s rays
4. Started age of pyramid building
5. 1st large stone structure in the world

Overhead 7: **Pyramids Continued**

* **Why did leaders use the Step Pyramid as a model for their own pyramids**

Answer: To show off their god like status and for then to go to the Afterlife

### Great Pyramid at Giza

* Built in 2566 BCE
* **Who was it built for?**

Answer: King Khafre

* Giza had three pyramids (two other built by sons)

**Sphinx**

* **What was it?**

Answer: Was statue with face of Khafre and body of a human

* **What was the purpose of the Sphinx**

Answer: The purpose of the Sphinx was to guard Khafre’s tomb

### End of Old Kingdom

* **What are the two reasons why the Old Kingdom came to an end?**

1. Chaos- Fighting over power
2. Famine- Droughts destroyed farmland, which led to people going hungry