



DT – Year 3 Spring 2

Ancient Egyptian Sphinx Sculpture

Vocabulary		
Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Clay	Sculpture	Armature
Shape	Texture	Headdress
Design	Proportion	Hieroglyphics
Pattern	Durable	Design Brief
Colour	Slip	Lion's mane

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- ### Health and Safety
- Wash Hands:** Before and after using clay to keep clean and avoid clay dust getting in your eyes or mouth.
 - Tidy Workspace:** Keep tools and clay organized to prevent accidents.
 - Use Tools Safely:** Handle tools carefully and don't use them for playing.
 - Clean Up:** Sweep and wipe your workspace when finished.

Purpose of the Sphinx:

- The Sphinx in Ancient Egypt symbolised protection and strength.
- It often combined the body of a lion (power) with the head of a human (intelligence).

Clay Techniques:

- Joining Clay:** Use scoring (scratching the surface) and slip (liquid clay) to attach pieces securely.
- Creating Textures:** Use tools to carve details (e.g., hieroglyphics or fur).
- Ensuring Stability:** Wide bases and strong joints are key to a sculpture that stands up.

Symbol of the Pharaoh

- The Sphinx's human head was often made to look like the pharaoh, who was the king of Ancient Egypt. This showed that the pharaoh was smart and strong, just like the Sphinx.
- It was like a big statue saying, "Our king is powerful and will protect us!"





Key Questions

- What is the purpose of the Sphinx in Ancient Egypt?
- How can you ensure your sculpture is stable and durable?
- What techniques will you use to join pieces of clay securely?
- How will you decorate your Sphinx to reflect Ancient Egyptian art?
- How will you evaluate the success of your design?




Useful Resources

<https://www.360cities.net/image/great-sphinx-of-giza>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ExM6MiWDInk>

<p>Research</p> 	<p>Design</p> 	<p>Make</p> 	<p>Evaluate</p> 
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