

# Introduction to Kingdoms of Egypt-Answer Key

1. Pyramids could be both a monument to the gods and an elaborate tomb for the pharaoh building the pyramid. Pyramids showed off great wealth and prosperity while also holding everything the pharaoh would need for the afterlife.
2. **Student answers will vary.** Sample answer: The Middle Kingdom is known for producing art and literature. One example of art created during the Middle Kingdom is the “block statue,” which was a type of statue made to honor important Egyptians.
3. **Student answers will vary.** Sample answer: I think Ramses II improved life for Egyptians the most because he negotiated a peace treaty so that his kingdom would have protection in case they were attacked. He also expanded the Egypt’s territory.
4. **Student answers will vary.** Sample answer: Pharaohs needed to have a centralized government so that they controlled the political power in Egypt and couldn't be overthrown by the governors.
5. **Student answers will vary.** Sample answer: If the United States was ruled by a dynasty, there would be no elections to vote for a president. It would also mean that one of the president’s children would become the next ruler of the United States.