

What's our target?



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Reading Out Loud

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The white-haired old man leaves for a long journey on the day of his death, a journey to be with the gods. Ancient Egyptians believed that as the sun is reborn every morning after the night, life is reborn out of the realm of death. In an Egyptian tomb, wase, statuse, and offerings just like Little Hippo are placed next to the sorcophagus (or coffin) to accompany the deceased offer his rebirth.

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From pyramid to pyramid ..

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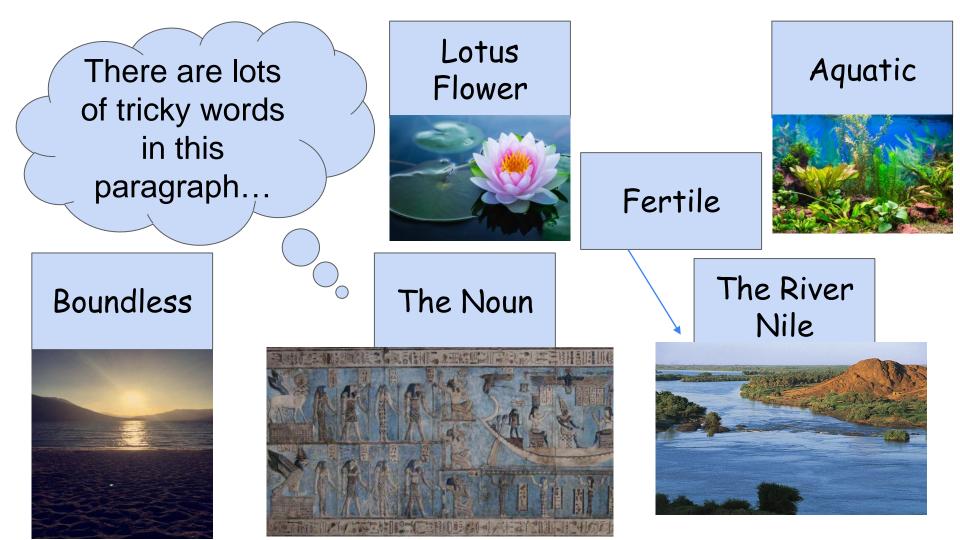
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Let's read!

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Complete the first 3 questions on the task sheet:



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Why is 'Little Hippo' blue?

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Your turn...

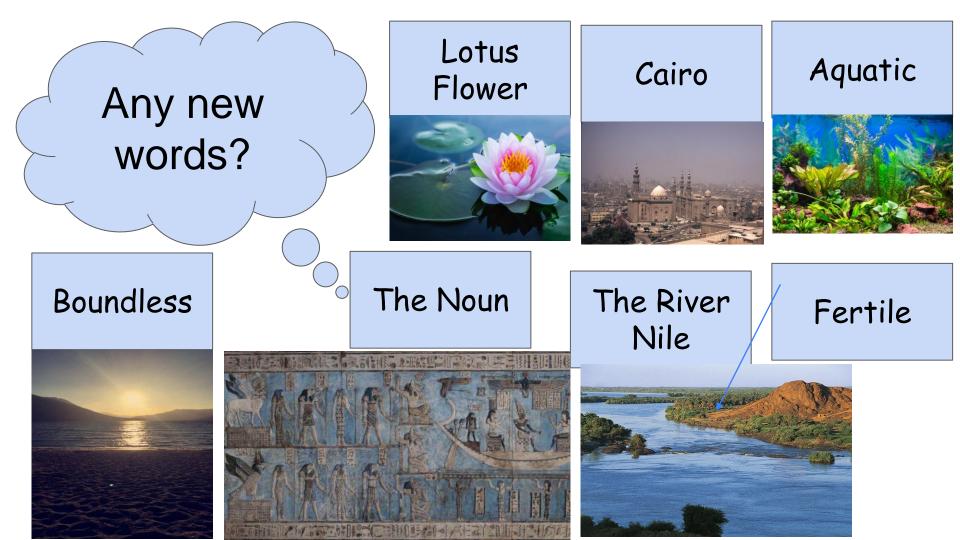
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Now complete the last questions on the task sheet:

Remember, you are <u>retrieving</u> information from the text.

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