

PRE-VISIT DISCUSSION TOPICS FOR YOUR STUDENTS

1. CONSIDER THIS STATEMENT:

All of the objects in this exhibition are reproductions.

Discuss:

- Why does this exhibition only have reproductions or replicas and not the original artifacts?
- Do you think we can still learn about a topic by using reproductions?
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of using reproductions for a museum exhibition?
- Explain and defend your reasoning.

2. WORKING IN THE FIELD

Discuss:

- Why do you think archaeologists (and paleontologists) take notes, draw sketches, grid the area, and photograph the excavation site?
- What if Howard Carter had not taken the time to record the excavation site in detail?

3. CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

Discuss:

- How do you think Egyptians contributed to human civilization? What is your evidence?

4. CULTURAL CONNECTIONS

Discuss:

- Are there similarities between your culture and ancient Egyptian culture? Explain your reasoning.

5. I AM PHARAOH

Discuss:

- If you were a pharaoh living today, name five items you would want to have in your tomb. Explain why.



POST-VISIT DISCUSSION TOPICS FOR YOUR STUDENTS

1. RECONSIDER YOUR DISCUSSION

After you have toured *The Discovery of King Tut*, revisit the statements and answers you shared. Have you reconsidered any of your answers? Explain why you have or have not changed your point of view.

2. LASTING IMPRESSIONS

Discuss:

What artifact from the exhibition impressed you the most? Why?

Why do you think this artifact was buried with King Tutankhamun?

3. MAIN IDEA:

Discuss:

What is the overall message or story this exhibition is trying to share? Describe parts of the exhibition that illustrate this message.

