

# Family and Friends 3

## Unit 13

Skills Time

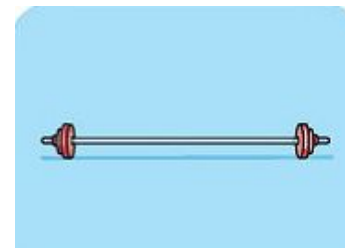
# Spelling (revision)

- Guess the word
- Spell it
- What's the opposite of it?

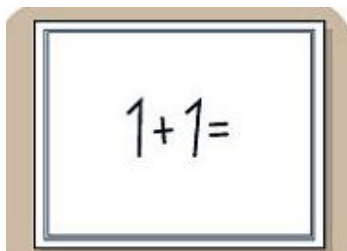
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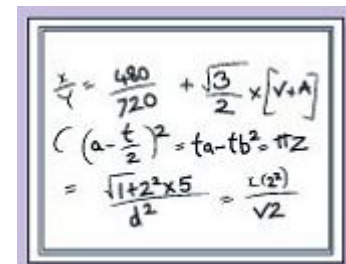
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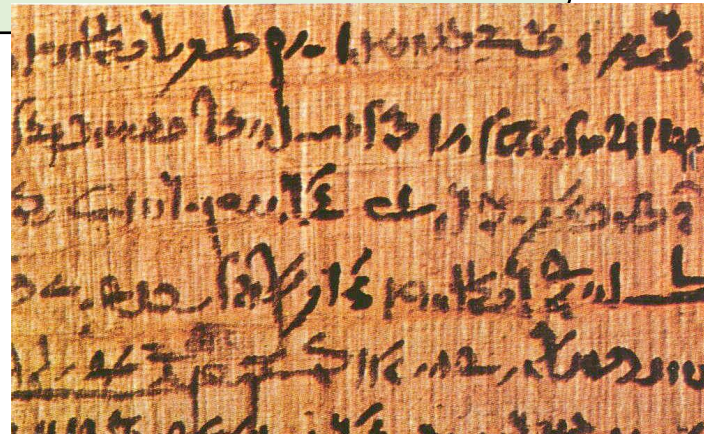
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# Papyrus

A tall plant like a grass that grows in North Africa.

Paper made from this plant, especially by ancient Egyptians.



# Answer the questions

- Is the text about the Vikings?
- Do you remember anything about Ancient Egypt from the story?
- What is the plant called?
- What did Ancient Egyptians use it for?





# Papyrus



Five thousand years ago, there was no paper. People used clay tablets to write on. They used a reed to write on the wet clay. Then they waited for the clay to dry. The tablets were very heavy. They were easy to break. People used each tablet only one time.

The Ancient Egyptians wanted to make paper to write on. Three thousand years ago, there were lots of papyrus plants in Egypt. The Ancient Egyptians used papyrus to make a kind of paper. It was difficult to make, but it was soft and light and easy to write on.



People in other countries started to use papyrus, too. But papyrus was very expensive. Only rich people used it. Sometimes people used the papyrus, then washed it and used it again.

**Do you know?**

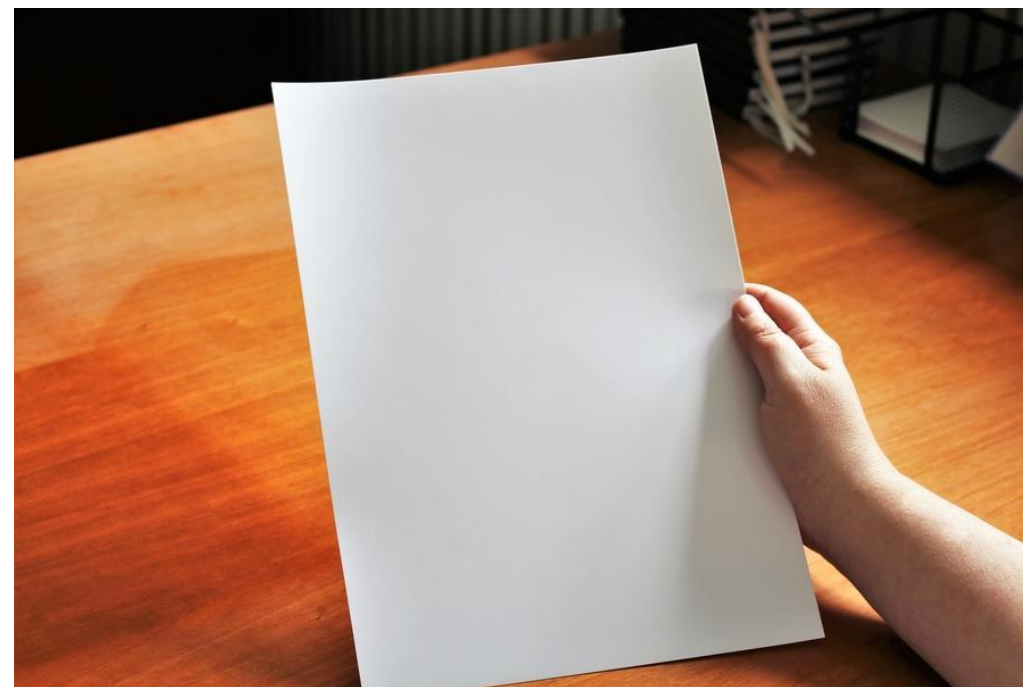
The word 'paper' comes from the word 'papyrus'.

# Guess the word

New words

paper

Thin material made from wood or cloth, used for writing, printing or drawing.



5000 years ago, there was no paper.



# clay

It's soft when wet, and hard when dry or baked. It can be shaped to make pots, bricks and other things.



# clay tablet

5000 years ago, there was no paper. People used clay tablets to write on.

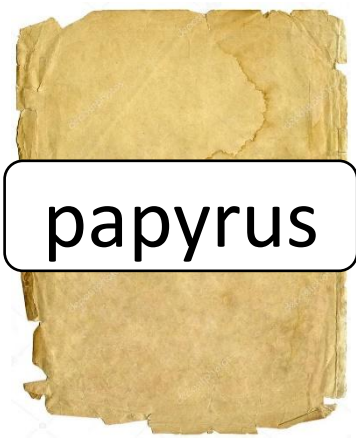


# reeds

Plants growing together near water.



Ancient Egyptians used a reed to write on the wet clay.



papyrus



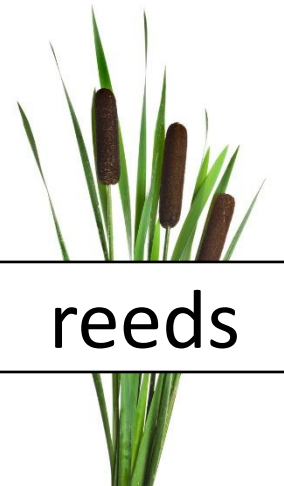
paper



clay



clay tablet



reeds





# Papyrus



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The word 'paper' comes from the word 'papyrus'.

# Answer the questions

- Was there paper 5000 years ago?
- What was there?
- What did people make from papyrus?
- Where does the word “paper” come from?
- Why did people wash papyrus?



# Complete sentences about things in the text

## 4 Read again and write.

~~heavy~~    light    expensive    soft    easy    difficult

- 1 Clay tablets were heavy.
- 2 Clay tablets were \_\_\_\_\_ to break.
- 3 Papyrus was very \_\_\_\_\_ to make.
- 4 Papyrus wasn't heavy. It was \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 Papyrus was \_\_\_\_\_. It was easy to write on.
- 6 Only rich people used papyrus. It was \_\_\_\_\_.



# Papyrus

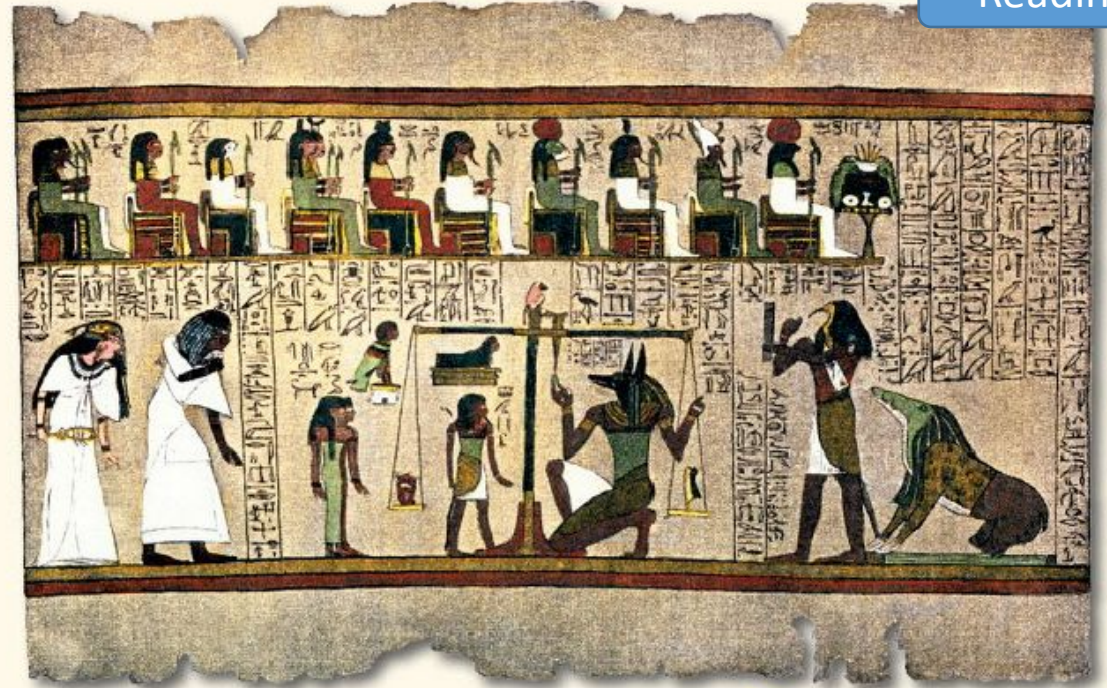
Five thousand years ago, there was no [redacted].

People used [purple] tablets to write on. They used a [red] to write on the wet clay.

Then they waited for the clay to dry.

The tablets were very [yellow]. They were easy to break. People used each tablet only one time.

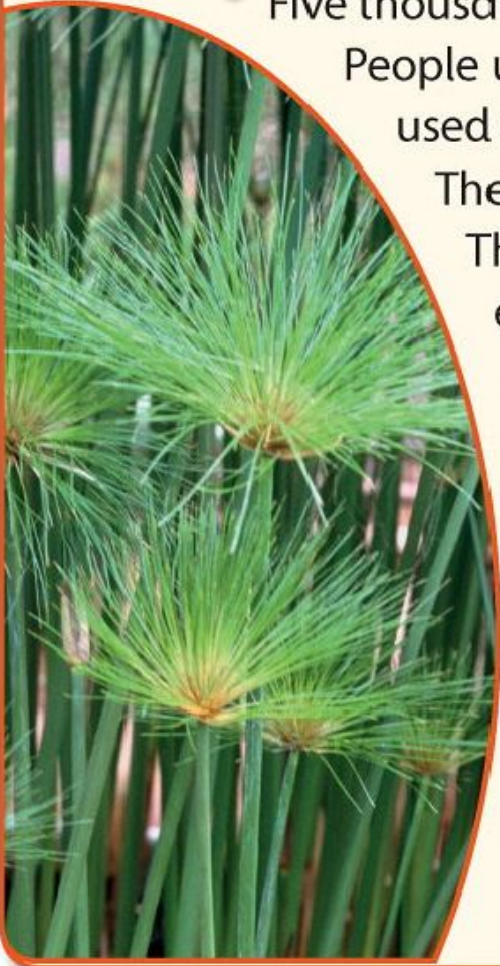
The [brown] Egyptians wanted to make paper to write on. Three thousand years ago, there were lots of [blue] plants in Egypt. The Ancient Egyptians used papyrus to make a kind of paper. It was [dark blue] to make, but it was soft and light and [orange] to write on.



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**Do you know?**

The word 'paper' comes from the word 'papyrus'.



# Correct the mistakes

- Clay tablets were **light**.
- Clay tablets were **heavy**.
- Clay tablets were **difficult** to break.
- Clay tablets were **easy** to break.
- Papyrus was **easy** to make.
- Papyrus was **difficult** to make.
- Papyrus was **heavy**.
- Papyrus was **light**.
- Papyrus was **difficult** to write on.
- Papyrus was **easy** to write on.
- Papyrus was **cheap**.
- Papyrus was **expensive**.

Finish the sentences

Paper is ...

Nuts are ...

Clay tablets were ...

Papyrus was ...



5000 years ago...

There was no...  
People used...  
They waited...

Clay tablets were...  
People used each tablet...

Papyrus

The AE wanted...  
There were lots of...  
The AE used...

Papyrus was...  
but it was...

Other countries

People in other countries  
started...

But papyrus was...  
Only rich people...

Sometimes...



## My writing

WB

2 Write.

~~playing~~

write

helped

balls

had

school



Ancient Egyptian children loved <sup>1</sup> playing with wooden animals.

They <sup>2</sup> had dolls and they also played with <sup>3</sup> balls.

Only boys from rich families studied at <sup>4</sup> school. They learned to read and

<sup>5</sup> write. They studied maths and languages, too. Girls stayed at home and

<sup>6</sup> helped their mothers.