

EGYPT
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Lecture Outline.
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I. INTRODUCTION

How we know the ancient Egyptians.
Herodotus
Egypt and the Hebrew bible
Champollion

II. Geography

Borders and resources
The Nile

Cyclic river leads to cyclic vision of history
Gentleness of perspective derived from gentleness of environment

III. Qualities of Thought

Creation stories
Mythology
Evident habits of thought.
Zoomorphic gods.
Sekhmet
Bastet
Thoth
Anubis

IV. Certain Notable Individuals

Imhotep
Ramses
Akenhaten
Hatshepsut