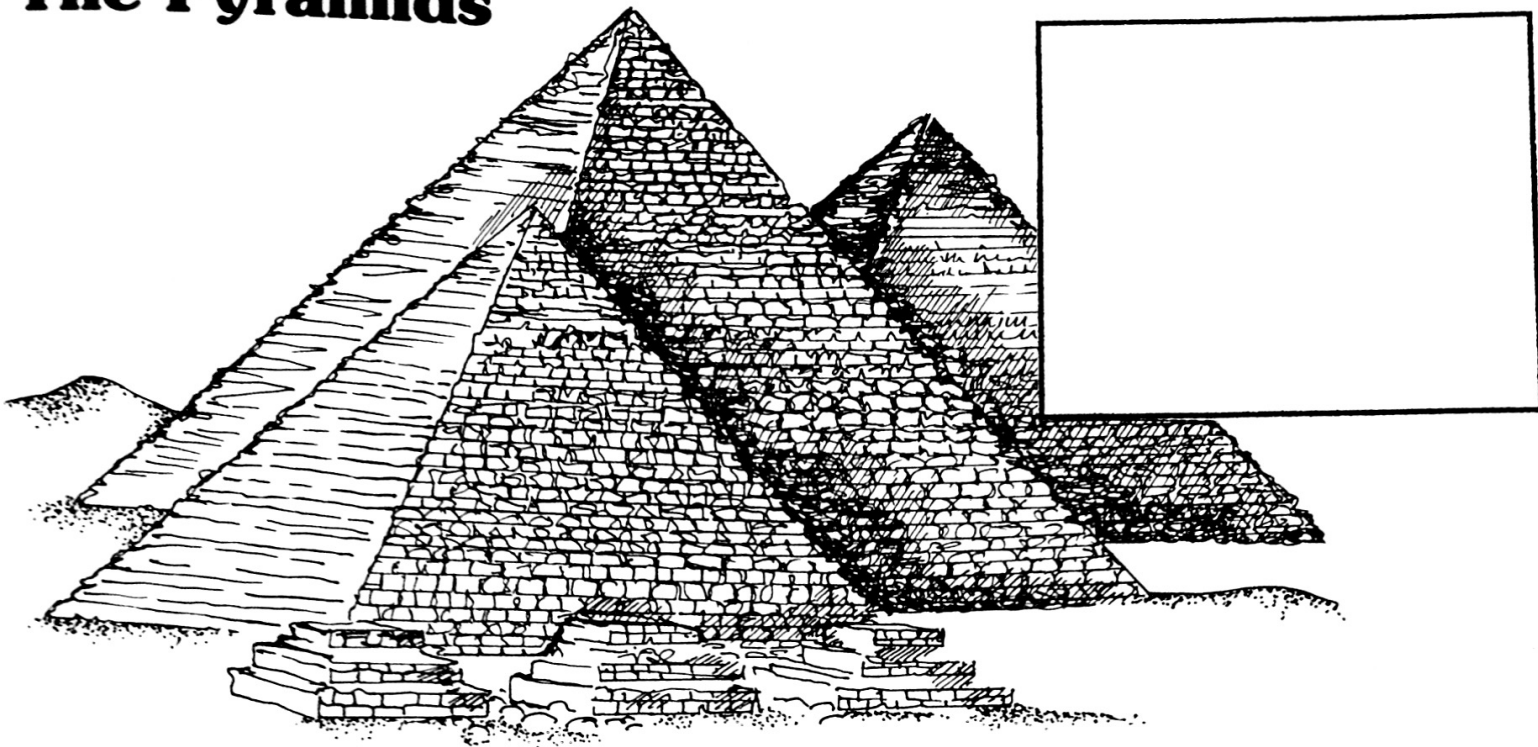


# The Pyramids



The great Egyptian pyramids served as elaborate tombs for the pharaohs. They are one of the seven wonders of the world.

1. The pyramids were built without machines. Peasant farmers built them in exchange for food, oil and cloth. Write why pyramids are a wonder of the world next to the title.
2. There are more than 30 pyramids in Egypt, but the most famous ones are located in Giza. Draw a map of ancient Egypt in the top right box. Draw a small pyramid where Giza is located.
3. The most famous pyramids were built for kings Khafre, Khufu and Menkaure. King Khufu's is known as the Great Pyramid. Label King Khufu's pyramid.
4. The chief queens of the three kings were buried in the small pyramids. Do you think if pyramids were still being built, that women's pyramids would be this size today? Write why on the back of this page.
5. King Khufu's pyramid is 147 meters high. Write how many feet this is at the bottom of his pyramid.
6. Each pyramid block weighed an average of 2,300 kilograms. Write how many pounds this is above the pyramids.
7. King Khafre's pyramid has about 2,300,000 blocks. Write how many pounds of rock this is under the number of pounds each block weighs.
8. The large blocks were dragged on sledges. Wheels were not used at all! Draw a sledge under the map.
9. There were so many blocks leftover from building the Great Pyramid, that the builders decided to build the Great Sphinx. Draw it to the left of the pyramids.
10. On the back of this paper, write why you think the U.S. has no pyramids.