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Pharaohs And Pyramids (Time Traveler Series)
Synopsis
Take a trip back in time to the age of the Pharaohs and pyramids in this volume, designed for children studying history for the first time or those investigating a particular interest. Detailed illustrations and an imaginary helmet should help them recreate the past and imagine life in the time.

Book Information
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Customer Reviews
Are your children or students researching Egypt? This is a great book to add to their collection. Pharaohs and Pyramids touches every part of Egyptian life - religion, government, leisure, Pharaohs, pyramids, burial, etc. The information is presented in narrative form with scenes from the life of an Egyptian boy named Nakht. You go where Nakht goes, and see what Nakht sees, and you get a glimpse of Ancient Egypt along the way. The illustrations are great. My only criticism is that some of the illustrations are inappropriate - skimpily outfitted and the like, but I solved the problem with a permanent magic marker!

I would recommend also looking at the compilation called "Time Traveler" which includes all the four books: Pharoahs and Pyramids, Rome and Romans, Viking Raiders and Knights and Castles. Overall the Usborne books contain fairly detailed drawings and provide overhead views and
maps. For instance a typical Viking eating hall, will have captions that points out who the people are, what food is cooked and how. The narrative line of the Time Traveler is burdensome. A character goes back in time!! Whoo-hoo. But you can ignore it easy enough. In the Pharoh book I lost track of who was related to who and what they did in that family. I just skip a lot of these more nuanced particulars as I am reading the book to a 4 year old. That said I and my son have enjoyed them and learned.

Although drawn more in the style of cartoons than encyclopaedia illustrations, the pictures are clear and often lovely. This book gives children a good look into the life of ancient Egyptians.

What a surprising combination of a book that actually is much better than expected and yet disappointing. The introduction of the book is great, leading the children towards apprehension of time, and the map of the Nile is a winner, wish I had it as a poster! Through the book the pictures could though often do with a more work on them, it’s like some of the pages aren’t fully made. And some photos show informations you wish the text told the children about. But the book does a better job helping them to coprihend the everyday life than any other I’ve seen, and it’s just when it comes to religion and the pharaoh than it becomes a bit disappointing. When working with the 6 to 10 years old on Egypt it was the religious sermonises that got to them. And I just can’t help but think how can such a good book miss the opportunity to introduce the Canopic Jars, and then ... WHY ON EARTH ARE THE EGYPTIANS COLORED SO LIGHT SKINNED???

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