













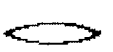

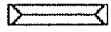


Rules of Egyptian Wall Painting

In Egyptian art, the translation of information was more important than realism. In creating Egyptian wall art, several rules must be followed.

Rule	Description
Rule 1: Profile	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Head in profile• Side view of eye and eyebrow• Eye never looks straight ahead
Rule 2: Colour	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Men painted in red ochre• Women painted in yellow ochre
Rule 3: Stance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hips have a three-quarter turn• Chest and shoulders shown at their full width• Both feet, legs, arms, and hands must be shown
Rule 4: Scale	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Size of figures reflects social status• Men are larger than women of equal status• Wives and children often in crouching position, with arms around the calves of the father
Rule 5: Proportions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hands and feet are often large compared to the rest of the body

The Hieroglyphic Alphabet

These are signs that make the sound of one consonant.
 These glyphs are used to translate into our modern alphabet.

A  'a' as in water	A  'a' as in bat	B  'b' as in boat	CH  'ch' as in church
CH  'ch' as in loch	D  'd' as in dog	E  'e' as in money	F  'f' as in foot.
G  'g' as in gone	H  'h' as in hat.	H  'h' as in ich.	I  'i' as in pin
J  'j' as in adjust	K  'k' as in basket	L  'l' as in lion	M  'm' as in man
N  'n' as in not	O  'oo' as in zoo	P  'p' as in pet	Q  'q' as in queen
R  'r' as in right	S  's' as in saw	S  'ss' as in glass	SH  'sh' as in show
T  't' as in top	U  'u' as in glue	V  'v' as in viper	W  'w' as in win
	Y  'y' as in money	Z  'z' as in zebra	

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Just like every written language, hieroglyphic writings needed conventions to keep writings consistent and readable. For instance English is always read left to right.

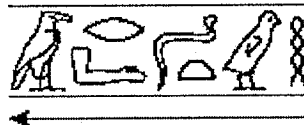


Hieroglyphic writing was written in columns or rows. Reading direction is determined by the direction that human and animal figures faced. Reading starts from the direction that figures face and continues in the opposite direction.

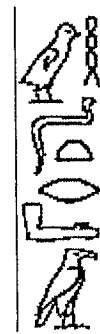
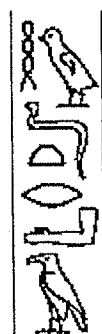
Hieroglyphs could be written left to right.



But they were usually written right to left.



Columns were read down as we would read lines down a page. The Egyptians liked symmetry. If hieroglyphs were inscribed in a column, they would often inscribe the same text in the opposite column, except with the writing reversed.



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Translate Number

numbers

In our modern system of numbering, numbers are counted in units of 10. A zero written to the right of a number indicates the number is increased ten times.

EXAMPLE

$$10 = 1 \times 10$$

$$100 = 1 \times 10 \times 10$$

$$1,000 = 1 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10$$

and so on...

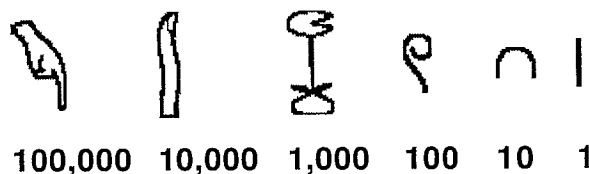
10 characters (0-9) are used in the modern numbering system to represent all possible numbers. The position of a character within a larger number is important to defining its value. Each character to the right implies a zero which increases the value of that number by ten times.

EXAMPLE

751 equals $700 + 50 + 1$

751 does not equal $7 + 5 + 1$

The Egyptian numbering system was also based on units of 10, but instead of relying on the position of numbers to define their value, the Egyptians used different images to represent different units of 10.



To write a number, the hieroglyph representing each unit of ten would simply be drawn as many times as was necessary.

EXAMPLE

500, would be written: 