

Section 1: The Geography of the Nile
Ancient Egypt and Nubia

Reading Readiness Guide

Anticipation Guide

How much do you think you know about the geography of the Nile River? As your teacher reads the statements, mark whether you think each statement is true (T) or false (F) in the Me column. Then discuss your answers with your group and mark the group's decision in the Group column. As you read, look for information that will clarify whether the statements are true or false.

After you read the section, read the statements again and mark the After Reading column to indicate whether they are true or false.

Before Reading		Statements	After Reading
Me	Group		
		1. The Nile River is the world's longest river.	
		2. The Nile River flows southward toward Africa.	
		3. Because it rarely rained in the region of Lower Nubia, people had to live close to the Nile for their water supply.	
		4. Farming along the banks of the Nile was ideal because each spring the Nile flooded the riverbanks and deposited a rich layer of sediment.	
		5. The hot sands of the Sahara Desert helped protect Egypt and Nubia from foreign attacks.	
		6. In Egypt, the Nile could not be used to transport goods by ship because of the strong rapids.	