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From what we know of history, Egypt, along with Sumer, were the foundations of civilization. The Fertile Crescent, which stretched from the Nile Valley to the twin rivers in Mesopotamia, gave us our earliest glimpse of organized man. But organized how? For one, both locations gave us writing—hieroglyphics in Egypt and cuneiform in Sumer. There is still some debate about who was first.

In this book, we will start by looking at the gods and goddesses of Kemet—Ancient Egypt. Then, we will turn our attention to the monsters which likely gave them nightmares and humbled them in their quest to bring order to the world around them.

Finally, we will look at the mortals which shaped their civilization and made Egypt the bedrock of our own history. Though Egypt today is only a third-world nation, struggling with terrorism and poverty, their heritage remains vital to the understanding of who we are as a species.

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From Reader Review Egyptian Mythology: A Fascinating Guide to Understanding the Gods, Goddesses, Monsters, and Mortals for online ebook

Bonnie Dale Keck says

Kindle Unlimited {a couple are permafrees or the like} NOTE: this is based in part on the trilogy {singles making up the 4th set} for Captivating Stories Of -- Norse, Egyptian, Greek -- but these although appear basically the same {some overall minor differences in content} are basically the same book/s.

Discover the captivating beliefs of the ancient Greeks, Egyptians, and Vikings in this book on Mythology that contains three manuscripts. Manuscript 2: Egyptian Mythology: Captivating Stories of the Gods, Goddesses, Monsters and Mortals, This part is jam-packed with fascinating facts and stories. For instance, it covers perhaps the most popular of all the Egyptian stories - the myth of Osiris. Pieces of this story have been found throughout Egypt. One of the most appealing aspects of the Osiris myth is the human-like behavior of the gods within the story. Many of the other gods of the Egyptian pantheon were rather emotionless and their stories far less interesting. With the Osiris story, the gods display a broad range of emotions that made them more real to mere mortals.

{Please note that the numbering is different in the single books, Norse is 1, Egyptian is 2, Greek is 3} -- noticed a review that said too simplistic, but thought to myself, just how detailed should books such as this be, since I don't want to have needed a Doctorate or some sort of higher degree to read these, so some things do need to be 'simpler' so a layman can actually understand them.

Norse Mythology: Captivating Stories of the Gods, Sagas and Heroes (Norse Mythology - Egyptian Mythology - Greek Mythology Book 1)

Egyptian Mythology: Captivating Stories of the Gods, Goddesses, Monsters and Mortals (Norse Mythology - Egyptian Mythology - Greek Mythology Book 2)

Greek Mythology: A Captivating Guide to the Ancient Gods, Goddesses, Heroes, and Monsters (Norse Mythology - Egyptian Mythology - Greek Mythology Book 3)

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Barbara Ann says

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Written by Matt Clayton

The author has written a series of books of ancient societal mythologies. In this book, he sets out to explore the Fertile Crescent, and ancient Egypt, in particular. Part One focuses on the myths associated with Isis, Osiris, Seth, and Horus. Clayton narrates in the third person, interspersed with imaginary dialogue between the gods. He moves on to the most popular creation stories. Clayton next weaves together how the gods and humans came to interact with each other.

In Part Two the author zeroes in on the darker sides of Egyptian religion discussing gods who inflicted chaos upon the world, specifically Apep, the snake, and Seth the god of war and confusion. Part Three is the section focusing on what we know of the history of Egypt and the mortals who interacted with the gods to change it. Readers learn about Chancellor Imhotep and how he assisted the king in uniting Egypt. Clayton explores Amenhotep IV and the chaos that ensued over Ra and Aten, the sun gods. Then the story evolves to the reign of Ramesses and his struggles against the Hittite enemy. Finally, the reader is brought to the final stages of the Egyptian empire under Cleopatra and Roman rule.

Clayton packs a lot of information into this volume of fewer than one hundred pages. The author has done a good job in constructing an easy to follow narration of thousands of years of myth and history. Perfect choice for adults who would like a taste of the subject as well as for middle-grade students studying Egyptian history.

Marshall Clowers says

A good primer

Anyone can be enamored by the tales of Egypt, but it takes more than a picture of the Sphinx and the great pyramid to understand such an ancient civilization. Without getting mired in details, this book will hopefully open a door to further discoveries.

Khaled says

A great introductory reading

This text is very accessible, anyone could read it. If you are an expert on mythology this mostly contains knowledge you already possess, but the read is still fun.

Diana Long says

Since I was a youngster I have been fascinated with Ancient Egyptian mythology, hieroglyphics, history, photographs and art. The first room I would want to visit at the DIA (Detroit Institute of Art) was the Egyptian (although in recent years I do believe some of the artifacts should be returned to Egypt but that's a personal point of view). I have watched so many documentaries and movies pertaining to Egypt. When I saw this book I was thrilled and thought this is going to be great, however I was somewhat disappointed in the work. The parts about the myths, legends and etc was interesting but overall the work read like a book report, therefore sadly I have to admit I did not enjoy it. I think I would have given an extra point if the author had listed some sources for where the information he used came from, I am ever the skeptic.

Kimme says

Great read. Informative and well written. Touched base on the well known and included lesser talked about events and people.

Eric says

A fun introduction to Egyptian Mythology presented as fictionalized short stories rather than a cut and dry scholarly retelling. Good casual-reading appetizer, but really left me wanting more meat.

André Caniato says

Not exactly what I expected, but a quick, nice read overall. I do wish there had been more Mythology and less Pharaoh stuff, though.

Connie Moon says

Good, interesting read.

This is well written. It helped to sort out some of the overwhelming information I already have. It's a good and interesting overview.

Jenn *loves dragons and wolves* says

I thoroughly enjoyed this book and even found some information that I didn't know, which is awesome!

Clifton Toliver says

Has some good basic info on Egyptian mythology. This book would be a good intro for anyone wanting dip their toes into this fascinating topic.

Edwin Lowe says

An Excellent Guide to Egyptian Mythology!!!

Based on our current understanding of human history Egypt is one of mankind's first civilizations. Understanding a civilization's religion and history can help provide an understanding of how the ancients viewed their world and the influence it has on today's world. This book focuses on the gods, monsters, and mortals of ancient Egypt thereby helping the reader gain insight into the people and culture of their ancient society. The author details the gods of Egypt, the most powerful of which was Ra the creator and sun god and the eight original gods of Egypt that were created out of chaos and then moved to the high heavens. Four Egyptian gods actually lived among the people for many years and had important influence over daily life. They were Osiris, Isis, Seth, and Horus and the mythology surrounding them is extremely interesting and colorful. The only true Egyptian monster was a gigantic serpent of chaos, known as Apep or Apophis. The gods, primarily Ra fought daily battles to keep chaos in check, which speaks volumes regarding the desire for order in ancient Egypt. The author discusses a number of mortals who deeply influenced Egyptian culture. My favorite was Ramses II, also known as The Great and King of Kings who served as Pharaoh for 57 years, and died at the age of 93. I think that many readers will enjoy reading this well written study of Ancient Egypt because its heritage remains vital to the understanding of who we are as a species.

Cait Koffarnus says

This sounded more like facts set up like fiction. Interesting.
