

Tuesday 26th January 2021



Experience Day – Creating Interest & Research

In preparation for our sentence stacking lessons as we start to write our biography about Hatshepsut, first we need to find out some facts about her! The more facts you can find today, the easier our writing lessons will be over the coming days.

It will be helpful to organise the information you find out in to different sections, as this will make it easier to find the facts we need when we are writing the biography. There is a table on the next page, or perhaps you would prefer to create a mind map. It is up to you how you present your facts and information.

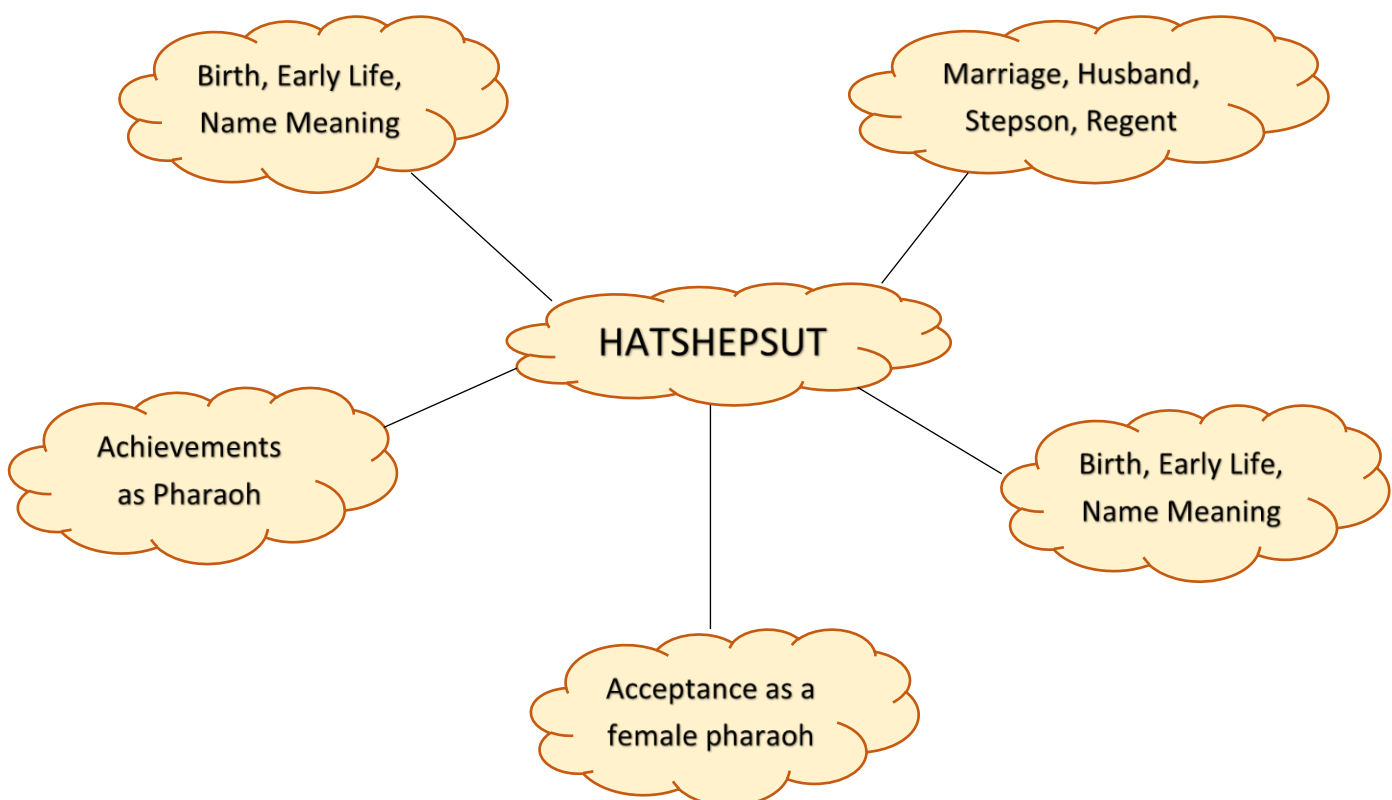
To find the facts and information you need, there is an information text at the end of this document, and you can use these websites for further research:

<https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/Hatshepsut/353233>

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore/history/women-heroes/hatshepsut/#:~:text=She%20was%20born%20around%201504,was%20just%20three%20years%20old.>

https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_egypt/hatshepsut.php

Example mind map layout:



Use the table below to record interesting facts and information about Hatshepsut's life. Remember to include important names and dates too.

	<u>Facts and Information</u>
Birth Early Life Name Meaning	
Marriage Husband Stepson Regent	
Achievements as pharaoh (trade/peace/building)	
Acceptance as a female pharaoh	
Death Legacy	
Other Interesting Facts	

A WOMAN CAN BE KING!

HAT SHEP SUT

MIGHTY PHAROAH OF ANCIENT EGYPT

Hatshepsut lived 3,500 years ago in ancient Egypt, and was married to the pharaoh, Tuthmosis II. When Tuthmosis II died Hatshepsut's stepson was next in line for the throne - but he was just a baby.

Women couldn't be proper pharaohs so Hatshepsut took over as a stand-in co-ruler. She didn't have the authority of a pharaoh but could watch over Egypt until Tuthmosis III was old enough to become king.



Because Hatshepsut lived so long ago we can't be sure exactly what happened, but it seems Egypt faced a threat of some sort. Hatshepsut needed to show her people that a woman could be a strong leader in times of danger. She decided to give herself a new look, one that had worked for previous rulers... she ordered that all images and statues of her be made to look more masculine and king-like!



If I act like a KING and look like a KING, I WILL be a KING!

Traditional fake beard worn by pharaohs

MAKING HISTORY

Hatshepsut DID become pharaoh - one of the most successful of ancient Egypt. After her 20-year reign the now-grown-up Tuthmosis III became pharaoh of the peaceful and secure Egypt that Hatshepsut had built. One of her greatest achievements was the elaborate temple she had constructed and filled with enormous statues of herself as king. The solid stone figures and sphinxes represented how strong and powerful she was.

SPHINXES had a human head and the body of a lion. They were placed as guards outside temples.

LOOKING at these STATUES, nobody could see from my POWER!

CHANGING HISTORY

Bizarrely, 20 years into Tuthmosis III's reign, almost all statues and images of Hatshepsut were deliberately destroyed! Hatshepsut had shown everybody that a woman could be pharaoh. But it is thought that this may have threatened the long tradition of pharaohs only being men, leading Tuthmosis III to take the drastic step of attempting to delete Hatshepsut from history!

Despite Tuthmosis III's efforts to erase all evidence of his stepmother, enough fragments of Hatshepsut's story have been pieced together for us to know that she was an extraordinary and very different sort of king!

HANG ON! You can't just chisel me away!

If nobody remembers Hatshepsut, nobody can question my POWER!

