

**1. How do MPM scientists define a mummy?**

- A) A preserved body with soft tissue of a human or another animal.
- B) Being wrapped in toilet paper, ready to go trick-or-treating on Halloween.
- C) A and B

**2. The first step of mummification is washing the body.**

**Which body of water was the most important to the ancient Egyptians?**

- A) The Amazon River
- B) The Yangtze River
- C) The Nile River

**3. The second step of mummification is removing the brain.**

**What did the ancient Egyptians do with the brain once it was removed?**

- A) Stored it in a jar
- B) Discarded it
- C) Placed it back inside the head

**4. The third step of mummification is removing the internal organs.**

**Which of the four organs below were preserved in canopic jars?**

- A) Stomach, Liver, Lungs, Intestines
- B) Brain, Heart, Kidneys, Pancreas
- C) Heart, Stomach, Lungs, Liver

**5. Which organ was the most important for the ancient Egyptians?**

- A) Brain
- B) Heart
- C) Stomach

**6. The fourth step of mummification is drying the body and organs.**

**What did the ancient Egyptians use to do this?**

- A) The Sun
- B) Sand
- C) Natron Salt

**7. The final step of mummification is wrapping and adorning the body.**

**Approximately how many layers of wrapping could a Pharaoh receive?**

- A) 70-90 layers
- B) 35-40 layers
- C) 15-20 layers

**8. After mummification was complete, the mummified body was placed into a coffin.**

**What material was the coffin made out of?**


- A) Wood
- B) Stone
- C) Clay

**9. Before placing the coffin in the tomb, priests would perform the “Opening of the Mouth” ceremony on the mummy. Why did the priests do this?**

- A) To restore the senses back to the person who was mummified.
- B) To make sure the person’s dental hygiene was proper before entombment.
- C) It is still a complete mystery to this day.

**10. Finally, the coffin was placed into a sarcophagus in the tomb and the tomb was sealed forever. According to the ancient Egyptian belief system, what is next for the mummy?**

- A) This is all; the ritual is complete.
- B) The mummy would undergo a perilous 12-hour journey through the underworld, leading to the “Weighing of the Heart” ceremony.
- C) It is still a complete mystery to this day.

Take this  quiz to test your knowledge about the ancient Egyptian belief system and mummification.

