



## Egypt's Pyramids: Architectural Wonders

You are an architect sent to find out how a pyramid was built, and why it was built the way it was. You have been asked to build such a monument as a tomb for a famous person when she dies so people will remember her forever. You will need to find out as much as you can in order to make your pyramid look as real as possible, and to preserve the memory of this famous person. Below are places you can visit to find out what you need to know.

Nova: Pyramids, Khufu's Pyramid

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/pyramid/explore/khufustory.html>

Building method:

Ancient Pyramids, British Museum

<http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/pyramids/story/main.html>

Features of Pyramids	Facts and Source
Height	
Area	
Degree of Angles	
Materials	
Tools used	
Weight of blocks	
Building methods	
Inside spaces (list spaces and use for spaces)	
Special features	

1. What makes a pyramid a good tomb for a famous person who wants to be remembered forever--in ancient Egypt or today?

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2. What are some of the things you discovered about building pyramids that make them amazing buildings even today?

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3. What did you find out about the way Egyptians view life and death?

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