



Family Activities

Title: **Mummies Made in Egypt**

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This book describes the techniques and the reasons for the use of mummification in ancient Egypt. LeVar visits the Museum of Fine Arts Boston where the art of conserving Egyptian artifacts is explored. Through the use of CAT scan technology, viewers also see what a mummy looks like after thousands of years.

Here are several activities you and your child can do together after watching this episode.

Clothespin Mummies

You will need:

- wooden clothespin (non-spring)
- pipe cleaner
- strips of gauze
- scissors
- glue

Directions:

1. Wrap the pipe cleaner around the clothespin to represent the arms of the mummy.
2. Next, cut the strips of fabric very narrow. Begin wrapping the clothespin from the top of the mummy down, being careful to cover all of the body. Glue the end piece.
3. Option: Create your own pyramid from construction paper and boxes and put the mummy inside just like they did in Egypt.

Where is Egypt?

Do you know where Egypt is on the globe or on a map? Older family members can help younger ones find the country of Egypt. Taking a piece of string, hold one end of it where you live now and the other end where Egypt is. Talk about how Egypt is a desert area, which means it is very hot and sandy there. See what other facts you can find out about the area by reading books together.

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Here are some books you can check out on your next trip to the library:

Bill and Pete Go Down the Nile by Tomie dePaola

Visiting the Art Museum by Laurene Krasny Brown and Marc Brown