

## Friday History- Mummification.

Activity 1: Below are the steps for mummification. You need to read through them and put them in the correct order.

### Steps:

They would then take out the organs, leaving only the heart. The brain would be taken out through the nose using a hook. Using obsidian a cut would be made in the lower body and the organs would be removed by hand.



Strips of linen were then used to wrap the body. The body was then covered in a sheet called a shroud.

First the body was put on a table and it would be washed and purified.

At this point, the body was filled with stuffing ready for the next stage. Some of the organs that were removed were placed in canopic jars.

Finally, the body was placed in a large stone coffin called a sarcophagus which was placed inside the tomb.

The body was then stuffed with sawdust, before being placed in a bath of natron (type of salt) to dry out.

Activity 2: Research and answer the following questions in full sentences.

1. Why did the Egyptians mummify?
2. How long did the process usually take?
3. What is '**Obsidian**'?
4. On average, how many linen strips could it take to wrap one body?
5. What were the names of each canopic jar?
6. What did they look like? Describe.
7. What were they used for/ their purpose?