**Ancient Egypt Unit Vocabulary:** ANSWER KEY

Please locate each term in the Ancient Civilizations Textbook and write out a definition.

**Silt: Fine sand, very fertile**

**Delta: A triangular-shaped marshy area**

**Papyrus: paper-like sheets for writing made from reeds**

**Canals: A man-made waterway for transportation**

**Sandstone: a rock formed from pressed sand**

**Cataracts: a series of white water rapids**

**Culture: The way life is shared by a group of people**

**Hieroglyphics: little symbols/pictures that represent objects or sounds**

**Adobe: sun dried mud bricks**

**Tutors: private teachers**

**Amulets: good luck charms worn to keep away evil spirits**

**Loincloth: a cloth worn by men similar to a wrap around skirt**

**Dieties: gods and goddesses**

**Afterlife: a happy continuation of life on earth**

**Pharaohs: Egyptian Kings**

**Embalm: a technique for preserving human bodies**

**Mummification: a process of preserving bodies**

**Natron: a salty drying agent used in the mummification process**

**Shroud: a burial sheet**

**Sarcophagus: a stone coffin**

**Nomarchs: a tax collector**

**Public Works: structures & temples built using the Pharoah’s wealth**

**Monuments: something built to commemorate someone or something**

**Legacy: the achievements that people pass along to the next generation**

**Egyptology: the study of ancient**