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Topic: Egypt



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1. In the Egypt of 3000 years ago both women and men _____ make up and lots of perfume.
 - a) used to wear
 - b) wear
 - c) have worn
 - d) were wearing
2. The pyramids of Giza were built _____ the 4th dynasty.
 - a) while
 - b) as
 - c) during
 - d) for
3. Some people believe that the Sphinx was built _____ the pyramids.
 - a) for protecting
 - b) for protect
 - c) for to protect
 - d) to protect
4. In a modern Egyptian marriage the family of the bride and groom are likely to pay for the wedding together. Which expression below is the odd one out?
 - a) Go halves
 - b) Split the cost
 - c) Foot the bill
 - d) Go Dutch
5. What's the name we give to the Egypt of 3000 years ago?
 - a) Very old Egypt
 - b) Early Egypt
 - c) Ancient Egypt
 - d) Antique Egypt
6. Which of the following is NOT correct? "Some Egyptian kings _____ to have become gods after their death".
 - a) are believed
 - b) are said
 - c) are thought
 - d) are told

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Answers

1. In the Egypt of 3000 years ago, both women and men _____ make up and lots of perfume.

- a) used to wear
- b) wear
- c) have worn
- d) were wearing

You can say 'used to do' to talk about something which happened in the past, but over a period of time.

What's the past tense of 'wear'?

When talking about a time in the past, use a past tense – this is the present perfect tense for talking about the present.

Use the continuous tense (was + ing) to talk about something that was happening at a particular time.

2. The pyramids of Giza were built _____ the 4th dynasty.

- a) while
- b) as
- c) during
- d) for

You can use 'while' to say something happened while something else happened, i.e. at the same time.

You can use 'as' to say something happened while something else happened, i.e. at the same time.

Use 'during' + noun e.g. I fell asleep during the lesson.

Use for + period of time e.g. I've been working here for 6 years.

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- c) **Foot the bill**
- d) Go Dutch

If you pay for something together with someone else, you might 'go halves'.

If you pay for something together with someone else, you might 'split the cost'.

If you offer pay for something on your own, you 'foot the bill'.

If you pay for something together with someone else, you might 'go Dutch'.

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This is not correct.

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We usually talk about antique furniture.

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- a) are believed
- b) are said
- c) are thought
- d) **are told**

You can report something using a type of passive structure 'It is believed to be...'

You can report something using a type of passive structure 'It is said to be...'

You can report something using a type of passive structure 'It is thought to be...'

You can report something using a type of passive structure but not with the verb 'It is told to be...'