



# DAILY NEWS

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## TUTANKHAMEN FOUND AT LAST

Yesterday, after months of extensive searching, the tomb of Tutankhamen was discovered by the archaeologist Howard Cater in the Valley of the Kings in Egypt.

Howard Carter was hired by Lord Carnarvon to find the tomb of the Ancient Egyptian Pharaoh who would have been buried over 3,000 years ago.

Digging began in the Valley of the Kings over 9 months ago and the team spent hours every day combing the unforgiving landscape for any sign of the lost Pharaoh. Many had begun to lose hope and Lord Carnarvon himself only agreed to fund the dig for one more month.

With time running out, Carter's team made a monumental discovery. Their spades hit something hard in the sand and this turned out to be a step which led down towards a tomb. Once Carter had made a small hole in the bricked up entrance, he peered inside. He was asked what he could see and his reply was 'Wondrous things!'

Amazed, excited, relieved, the team realised that they had finally discovered the final resting place of the famous Pharaoh Tutankhamen.

Inside the tomb, the archaeologists found many treasures including furniture, Canopic jars and even the mummy of the Pharaoh himself which was encased in an intricately carved sarcophagus and wearing a mask made of solid gold.

This discovery is already being described as the greatest archaeological find of the twentieth century and will no doubt help to shed more light on the Ancient Egyptian civilisation.



Howard Carter examining the mummified remains of Tutankhamen

**Purpose:** To give the reader information about an important event

### Key features



#### Structural:

- Introduction with the 5ws: when, what, who, where, why (if relevant)
- Key events of the event in order
- Columns
- Conclusion to explain what is happening now
- Photo with a caption



#### Language:

- Past tense: *Howard Carter was hired*
- Third person: *He was asked*
- Adverbials of time: *Yesterday; with time running out*
- Opinions: the unforgivable landscape and facts: over 9 months ago
- Direct speech: *"Wondrous things"* & reported speech: *being described as the greatest find*

### Writer's toolbox

#### Adverbials of time:

- Yesterday... With time running out...
- Meanwhile... Within minutes...
- Later on... Finally...

#### Alan Peat:

3-ed sentence

Example: Amazed, excited, relieved, the team realised that they had finally discovered the final resting place of the famous Pharaoh Tutankhamen.

#### Punctuation:

- Use a comma following an adverbial of time
- Speech punctuation: "CL ..... PM"

#### Vocabulary:

- Significant      Discovered
- Reported        Witness
- Source            Considerable

### Recommended reads

