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Three of the pyramids in Egypt are at Giza, outside modern Cairo. The largest pyramid, built by Khufu, a king of the fourth dynasty, had an original estimated height of 482 feet. The base has sides 755 feet long. It contains around 2,300,000 blocks, the average weight of each is 2.5 tons. The estimated date of completion is 2680 B.C.

The most famous Egyptian pyramids are those found at Giza, now located on the outskirts of Cairo. Several of the Giza pyramids are counted among the largest structures ever built. The Pyramid of Khufu at Giza is the largest Egyptian pyramid. It is the only one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World still in existence.

The pyramids were tombs for Egyptian pharaohs that have treasures that will help them in the next life. In addition, the tombs were booby trapped so tomb robbers could not break into the tomb.

There were many pyramids found because they are visible for miles, but many times they get worn down over the years due to erosion and decay because of all of the constant sandstorms and other weather phenomena that are local to the area. There also can be man-made occurrences like, for example, the Chinese people started to tear down the great wall of China in the 1970s, then they stopped due to the history of the wall. So someone could destroy the pyramids in many different ways.

The first set of pyramids in Egypt were built around 2630 B.C.-2611 B.C. for the first Egyptian king. The most

famous pyramids were the pyramids of Giza, which is near modern-day Cairo, Egypt.

There were three Giza pyramids that were named Khufu, Khafra and Menkaura. They are still standing to this day. They were built by thousands of slaves that were captured during wars or born into slavery. The very talented architect of these pyramids was Imhotep.

The pyramids of Egypt, one of the seven wonders of the world, is one example of the extraordinary innovation of ancient architecture and the advancement in building techniques.

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