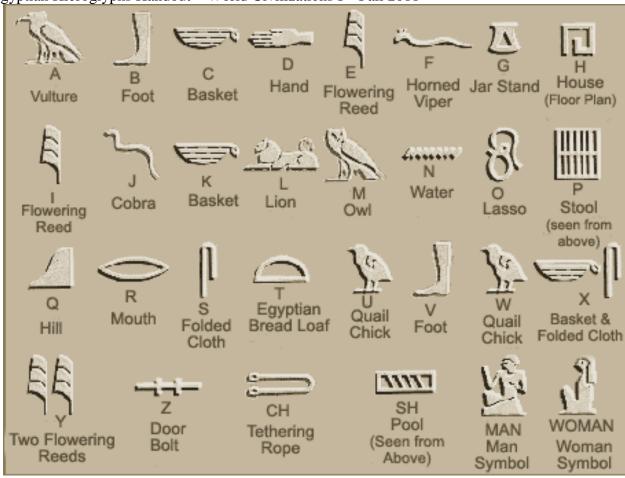
Egyptian Hieroglyphs Handout – World Civilizations I – Fall 2011



 Names of kings and other people are often written in a cartouche

\circ Hieroglyphs = Noun

Example: I love writing my name using hieroglyphs.

$\hspace{0.1cm} \circ \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{Hieroglyphic} = \textbf{Adjective}$

Example: Hieroglyphic writing was a system used by Ancient Egyptians.

- o Writing appeared by 3200 BCE
- The writing system began as pictographic, but later it was supplemented by symbols that represented a sound or idea.
- The discovery of the **Rosetta Stone** made it possible to translate hieroglyphs.
- O The ancient
 Egyptians
 believed that you
 had to have your
 name written
 down somewhere
 to gain access to
 the afterlife. By
 attaching a
 cartouche to their
 coffin, people
 made sure their
 name was written
 down in at least
 one place.



o *Example*: The cartouche of King Tut:

Notes:

- There is a special symbol for the sound represented by the "SH" and "CH" letter combination.
- There is no equivalent of the sound represented by the "TH" letter combination as in Theodore, so the D sound would need to be used here
- In Egypt text was traditionally written from right to left, rather than from left to right.
- When writing female names, the symbol for woman was placed after the spelling of the name to denote her gender. When writing a male name, use the male figure.
- The human figures would always be drawn facing the beginning of the word or sentence.

Try writing your name in this cartouche using hieroglyphs.

