

1. Title: **Egyptian Olympics**

2. **Introduction/Purpose of Program**

This is a celebration of all things Egyptian. Patrons will be placed in teams to compete in Egyptian themed games/contests.

3. **Detailed Description of the Program**

Patrons will be placed in teams to compete in Egyptian themed games/contests. Teams will earn points for each place they earn. 1<sup>st</sup> = 3pts., 2<sup>nd</sup> = 2 pts., 3<sup>rd</sup> = 1pt. (This can be adjusted for each team to get points.)

**Games**

Mummy Wrap – Patrons use rolls of toilet paper to wrap another patron up to resemble a mummy. This game can be timed or the team that finishes first wins.

Pin the Head on the Sphinx – Begin with a large pyramid placed on the wall. Blindfold one player and spin them in circles until they get a bit dizzy. Have them try and place the Sphinx head on the pyramid. Leave the heads on until everyone has had a chance. The person with the head closest to where it belongs wins.

Walk Like an Egyptian – Have everyone begin the day walking like an Egyptian everywhere they go. If the patron forgets, they are out. Have some way of keeping track of who is in or out, maybe use a sticker or pin that they have to give up when called out.

Build a Pyramid – Have patrons build a pyramid using cups. Patrons must use a minimum number of cups to create their pyramids. Winners can be determined by time period or first to finish their pyramid. For an added level of difficulty, require patrons to build a 3D pyramid with a square base.

Snake Making – Have patrons make as many snakes as possible out of clay/playdoh. Give a time limit and length that the snakes must be. Winners are the group that makes the most.

Cleopatra Eye – Patrons must recreate Cleopatra’s eye on another member of their group.

Obstacle Course – Create an obstacle course for patrons to race through. Consider combining Egyptian locations like a Nile river or pyramids with landmarks from Washington DC.

Hieroglyphic Name – Using the website <http://discoveringegypt.com/egyptian-hieroglyphic-awriting/hieroglyphic-typewriter/> and cutouts of hieroglyphics, have teams

place the appropriate hieroglyphic letter in the correct order to spell their team name. For an add challenge have each team member spell their name.

#### **4. Program Related Books to Display or Book Talk**

See list of Readalikes on SPOT website

#### **5. List of Supplies**

Decorations (blue, gold, and black)

Hieroglyphics welcome

Toilet paper

Pins or stickers

Cups

Clay/playdoh

Eye makeup (eyeliner, eye shadow, and mascara)

Copy of Cleopatra's eye

Obstacle course materials

Hieroglyphics letters (6 copies of cutout letters)

Optional: prizes

#### **6. Resources (print and electronic)**

Uses a QWERTY keyboard and converts to hieroglyphics

<http://discoveringegypt.com/egyptian-hieroglyphic-awriting/hieroglyphic-typewriter/>

#### **8. Professional Resources (for librarian and teacher use)**

Pinterest Boards that have ideas for decorations

<https://www.pinterest.com/risabaker/egyptian-birthday-party/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/cmhmpa/egyptian-theme/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/explore/egyptian-party/>

#### **9. Program Flyers, Posters, Advertisements, Bulletin Board Ideas, Templates, Rubrics, etc.**

Egyptian Olympics Scorecard – located on the SPOT website