

A pharaoh was the political and religious leader of ancient Egypt. The two best known female Pharaohs were Cleopatra and Nefertiti. Though we refer to the kings of Egypt as Pharaohs, the word is actually Greek, and was used by the Greeks and Hebrews in reference to Egyptian kings. For Egyptians, a pharaoh generally held two titles : lord of the two Lands (Upper and Lower Egypt) and high Priest of Every Temple.