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Study the vocabulary words and definitions below.

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| achievement | a successful accomplishment |
| architecture | the science of designing buildings |
| barter | an economic system based on trade |
| civilization | a high level of cultural development |
| embalming | a process which preserves dead bodies |
| empire | a country that controls many lands and the people who live in these lands |
| government | the system of regulation created by a civilization |
| hieroglyphics | an ancient Egyptian system of writing in which a picture or symbol stands for a word |
| mummy | a dead body which has been preserved by embalming in the manner of the ancient Egyptians |
| papyrus | a plant growing along the Nile River from which the Egyptians made a form of paper |
| pharaoh | a king or ruler of ancient Egypt |

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pyramid a large tomb that the Egyptians built to
bury their pharaoh and his possessions

scribes people in ancient times who kept
records

urban referring to life in the city