

JAPAN

Two Country Comparison Project: Japan & Egypt
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SUMMARY

Japan is a mountainous island country in Asia. With **125 million** people, Japan ranks **11th in the world in population size**. Japan is recognized as a **technology** powerhouse, and is known for artistic achievements like gardens, **pagodas**, traditional costume, anime, and video games; auto manufacturing; its style of food such as **noodles and sushi**; and **samurai** warriors.



FUN FACT:

Half the zippers in the world are made in Japan.

If a zipper is stamped YKK, it was made by the Yoshida Kogyo Kabushikikaisha company, founded 1934 in [Tokyo](#).

They make 7 billion zippers each year.

JAPAN - PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY



Tokyo is located at
35.6762 N
139.6503 E

JAPAN - PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY

JAPAN has 4 main islands.

Hokkaido
Honshu
Shikoku
Kyushu

There are 6800 islands in the archipelago:



Mount Fuji, which is **12,388 feet tall** is the highest mountain in Japan.

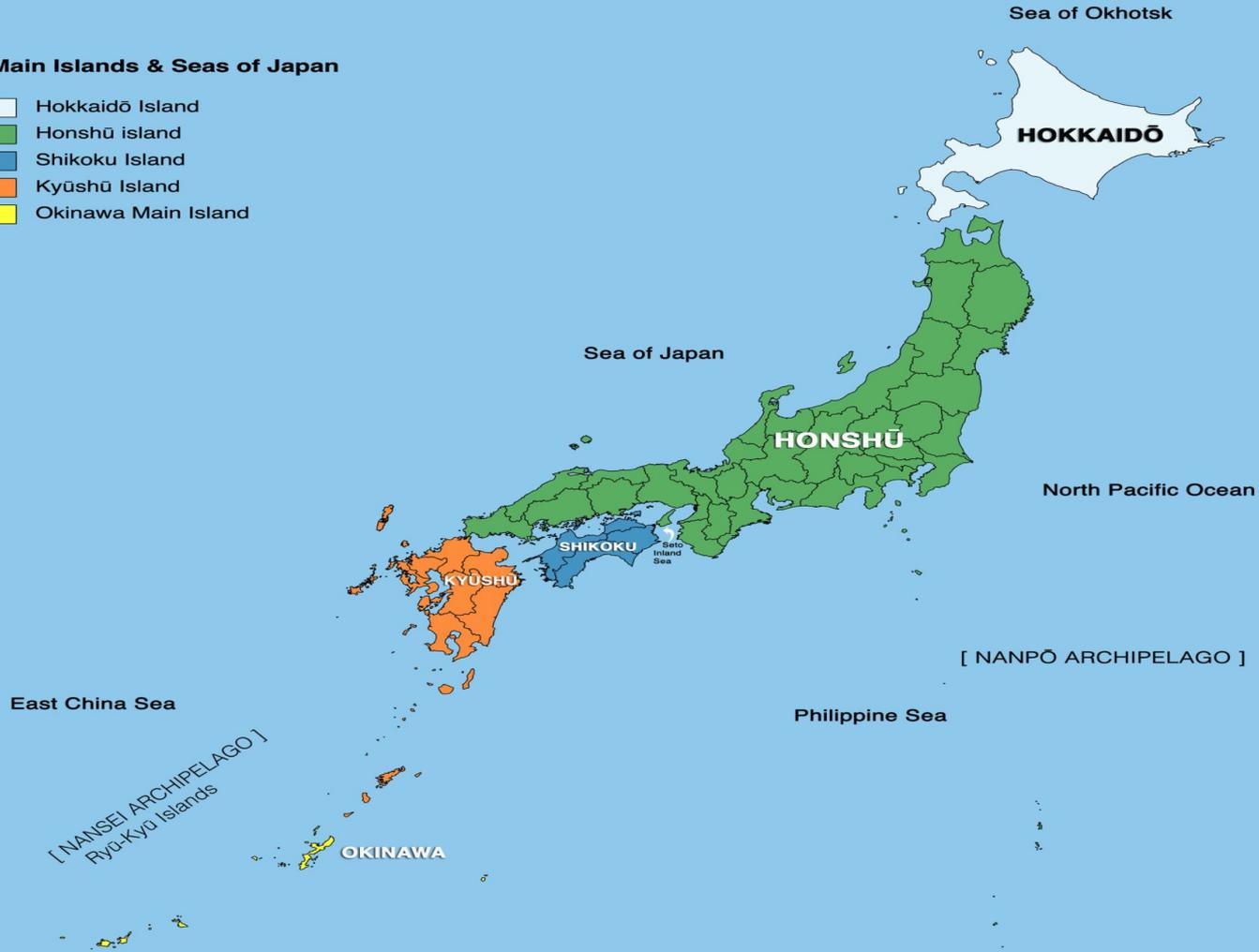
After Mount Kerinci in Sumatra, it is the second-highest volcano in Asia.



Mt Fuji, Japan at sunrise

Main Islands & Seas of Japan

-  Hokkaidō Island
-  Honshū island
-  Shikoku Island
-  Kyūshū Island
-  Okinawa Main Island





TWO COUNTRY COMPARISON PART II: EGYPT

The golden mask
of King Tut



Egypt is an ancient country whose culture traces back to hunter-gatherers in 8000 B.C. There was organized farming in 6000 B.C. The predynastic era spanned 4000 B.C. Menes, the first king of Egypt ruled around 2900 B.C. The first step pyramid Saqqara is dated to 2600 B.C.

The geography and climate influenced Egyptian culture. The annual flooding of the Nile River was a metaphor for creation and emergence. The dry desert helped Egyptians preserve the dead through mummification. The Egyptians built many temples and monuments to help them prepare to pass judgement of their worthiness to join the god Osiris for eternal afterlife in a paradise or among the imperishable stars.

Hieroglyphic script was developed 3400 and 3200 B.C. by the Naqada III culture.

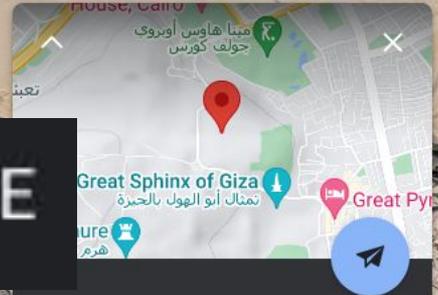


Naqada II pottery

the speed of light =

299 792 458 m / s

29.9792458° N, 31.1342880° E



29°58'45.3"N 31°08'03.4"E

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29.9792458° N, 31.1342880° E

Add to project

FUN FACT: The north latitude (29.9792458 N) of the Great Pyramid of Giza matches the speed of light (m/s)

EGYPT

Physical Geography

highest point: Mount Catherine 2,629 m 8625 ft

lowest point: Qattara Depression -133 m

mean elevation: 321 m



The Nile,
the longest
river in the
world
4200 mi

Two Country Comparison

Japan and Egypt



PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY COMPARISON

Two Country Comparison

Japan

total: 377,915 sq km

Egypt

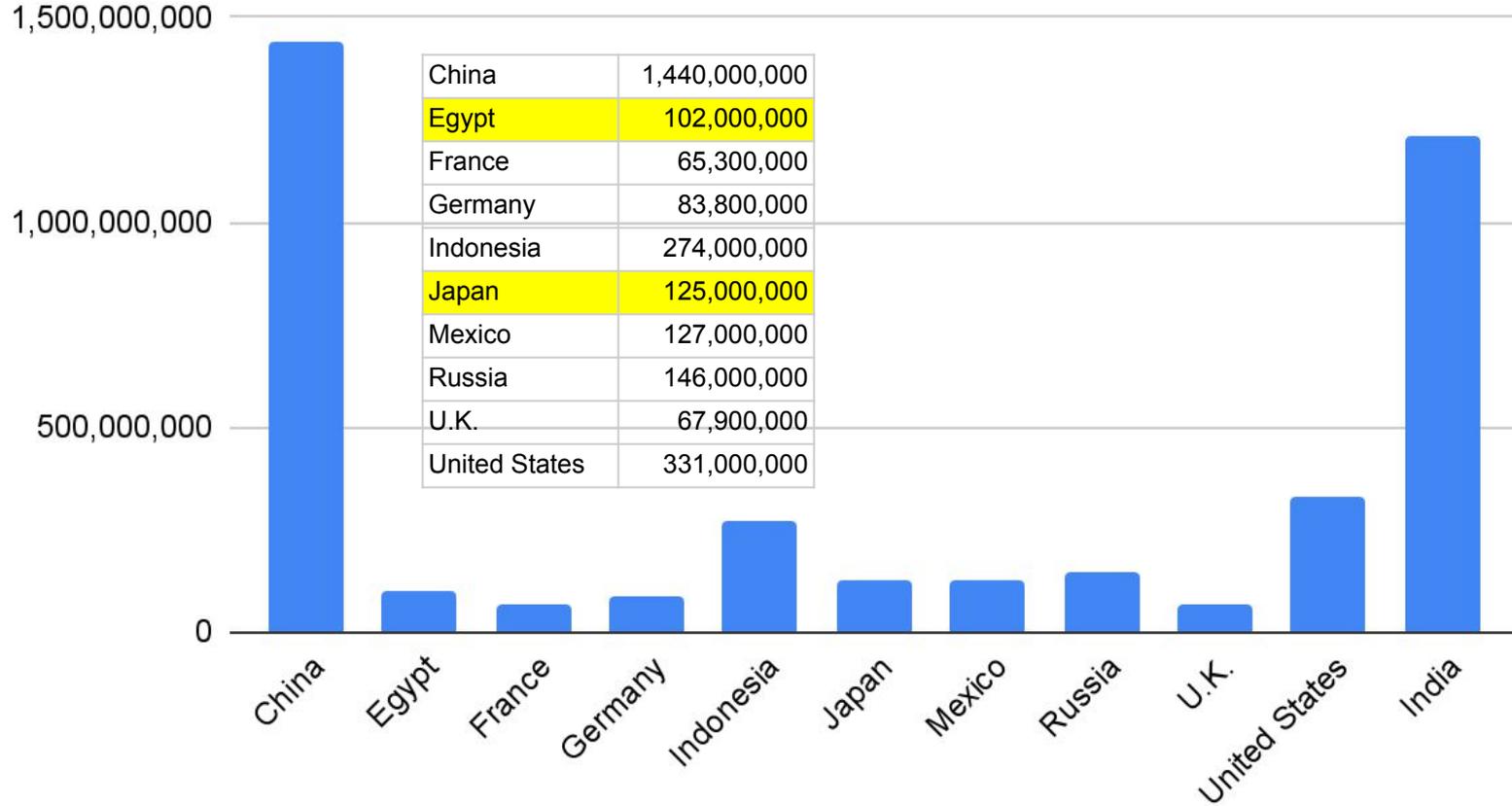
total: 1,001,450 sq km



Egypt is much bigger in area than Japan, but they have roughly the same population of 100 million people.



Population of Nations





PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY COMPARISON

Two Country Comparison

Japan

total: 377,915 sq km

Egypt

total: 1,001,450 sq km



Japan is **mountainous**, snowy in the north, and 68% is forested.

Egypt is mostly **desert plateau**. The only green area is along the banks of the Nile river.



HUMAN GEOGRAPHY COMPARISON

Two Country Comparison Japan

total: 377,915 sq km

Egypt

Rice, noodles and sushi are typical Japanese food.

Egypt cuisine features falafel, stuffed pita & rice-stuffed vine leaves and vegetables.



HUMAN GEOGRAPHY COMPARISON

Two Country Comparison

Japan

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Egypt

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- #1 Hello (peace upon you). – Salaam 'aleikum. سلام عليكم.
- #2 Welcome. – Ahlan. اهلا
- #3 Good morning. – Saba7 elkheer. صباح الخير.
- #4 Good morning (response). – Saba7 el noor. صباح النور.
- #5 Good evening. – Massa elkheer. مساء الخير.
- #7 Good evening (response). – Massa el noor. مساء النور.

Japanese Hiragana

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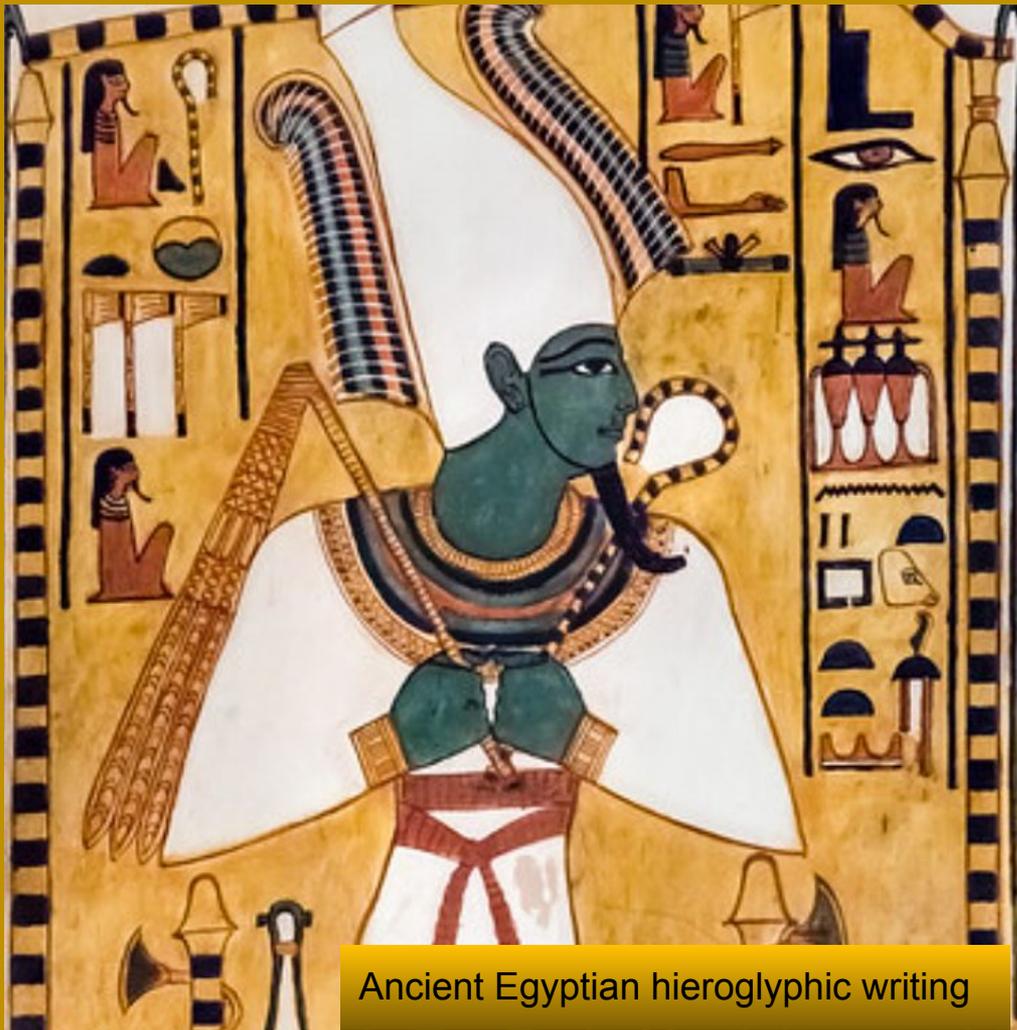
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"Arigatou" Thanks!

Japanese uses 3 different syllabary systems and some Chinese characters.

Arabic is the official language of Egypt. Hieroglyphs were used for writing in ancient times to write single and multiple letters, as well as ideas.



Ancient Egyptian hieroglyphic writing

A  'a' as in water	A  'a' as in bat	B  'b' as in boat	CH  'ch' as in church
CH  'ch' as in loch	D  'd' as in dog	E  'e' as in money	F  'f' as in foot.
G  'g' as in gone	H  'h' as in hat.	H  'h' as in ich.	I  'i' as in pin
J  'j' as in adjust	K  'k' as in basket	L  'l' as in lion	M  'm' as in man
N  'n' as in not	O  'oo' as in zoo	P  'p' as in pet	Q  'q' as in queen
R  'r' as in right	S  's' as in saw	S  'ss' as in glass	SH  'sh' as in show
T  't' as in top	U  'u' as in glue	V  'v' as in viper	W  'w' as in win
	Y  'y' as in money	Z  'z' as in zebra	



Bleach
Since 2004



Dragon Ball
1986 – 1989



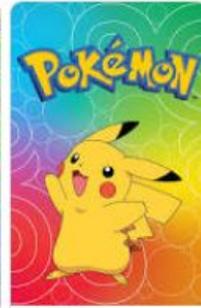
Dragon Ball Z
1989 – 1996



Attack on Titan
Since 2013



Digimon Adventure
Since 2020



Pokémon
Since 1997



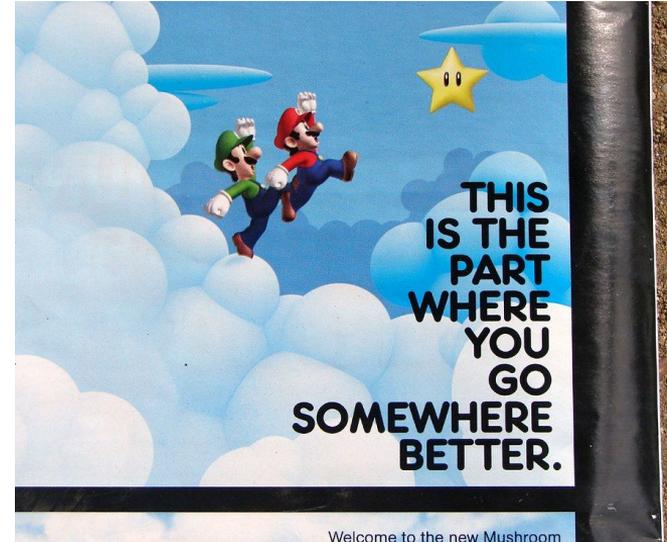
Dragon Ball Super
2015 – 2018



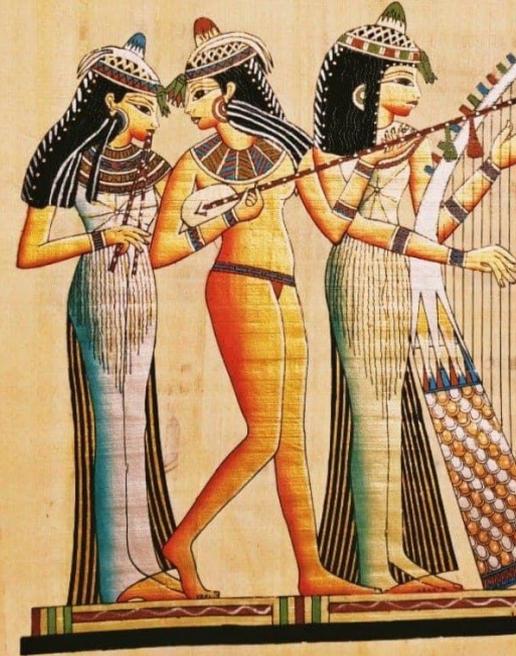
JoJo's Bizarre Adventure
Since 2012



Hunter x Hunter
2011 – 2014



JAPAN is noted for anime, computer games, and manga.



Both traditional Japanese and ancient Egyptian enjoyed music and dance



HUMAN GEOGRAPHY - ARCHITECTURE

Two Country Comparison

Japan

Japan is known for shrines and castles.

Egypt is famous for the pyramids and ancient temples.



Himeji Castle



Itsukushima Shrine



Mortuary temple of Hapshetsut



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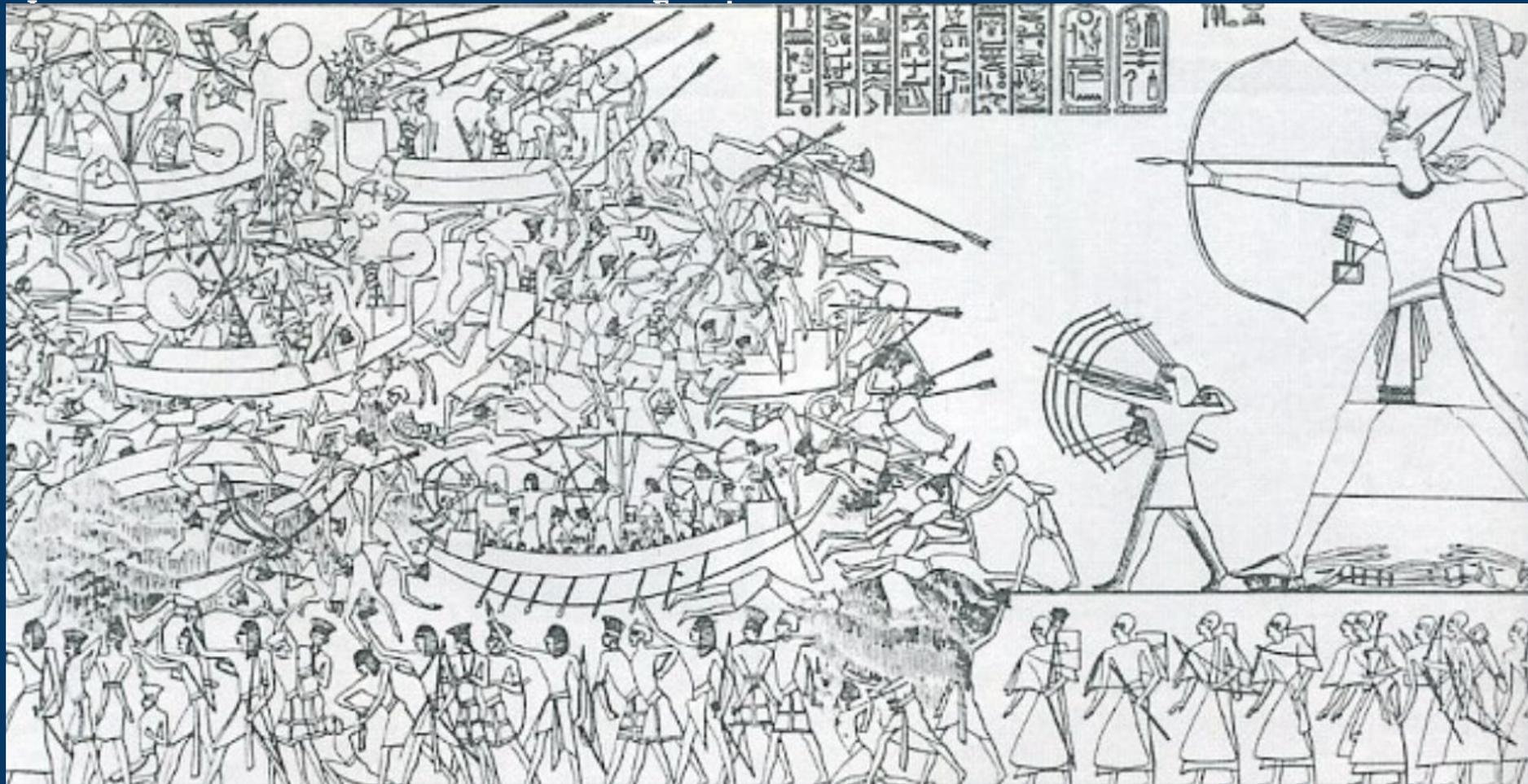
Japan and Egypt both had sailing Traditions. Water in their geography influenced both culture and food.



Katsushika Hokusai, The great wave off Kanagawa



Ancient Egypt: Pharaoh Ramses III naval battle against the Sea Peoples

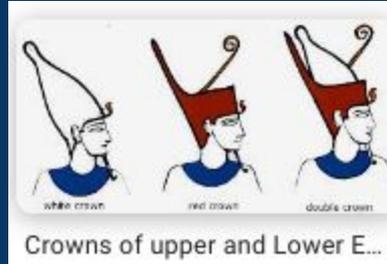


Ancient Egyptians enjoyed bird hunting and fishing.

In Japan, fish is an important part of the diet.



The red crown with a curl of Lower Egypt somewhat resembles the kammuri black hat worn by Japanese nobles. Km means black in Egyptian. Ur means great.

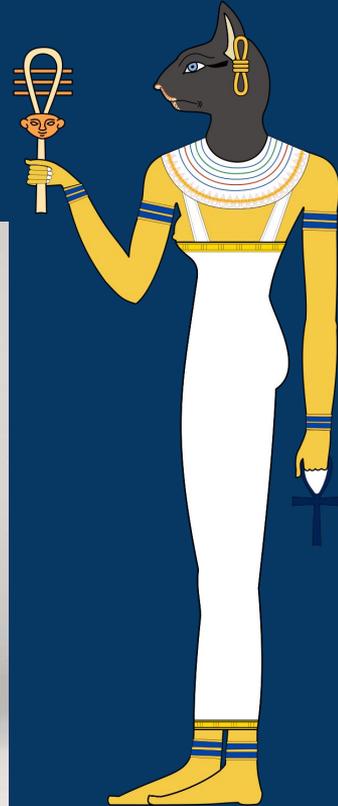


Japan, an mountain island country and **Egypt**, a desert land, are quite different, but they have some surprising things in common: one is they both like cats!

The waving cat is a symbol of good luck in Japan!



Cats were sacred animals in ancient Egypt



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