

Who's Buried Where - And Why?

Vocabulary

culture - the beliefs, customs, practices, and social behavior of a particular nation or people

cultural universal - basic behavior practiced by all cultures, regardless of location or time period

mound - a pile of earth, stones, or other material built up for a specific purpose

pyramid - any large structure with a square base and four sloping, triangular sides

chamber - room used for a specific purpose

elite - group regarded as the finest and most important part of a population, including its leaders

ritual - ceremonial act which follows certain rules or customs

artifact - any object made or used by humans

tomb - chamber used for burial of a dead person(s); monument to a dead person(s), often built over the place where the body or bodies is buried

sarcophagus - ancient stone coffin