

Up until the Romans came to power, Egypt was the largest and wealthiest power in the world. There were three main divisions of their military: the ground infantry, chariots and a navy that protected the Mediterranean Sea. The Egyptians also developed and mastered many weapons; the finest was the bow and arrow. They used long spears tipped with copper arrows, too. The Nile River is where 90 percent of Egypt's population lived. On either side of the river and to the south were deserts of Africa. The deserts were a natural barrier that discouraged most countries from crossing it, and in that way provided Egypt protection from invaders.



What do you think?

If you could build a city anywhere, where would you put it? Keep in mind that people need fresh water to drink and grow food. How well protected would it be geographically compared to ancient Egypt?





