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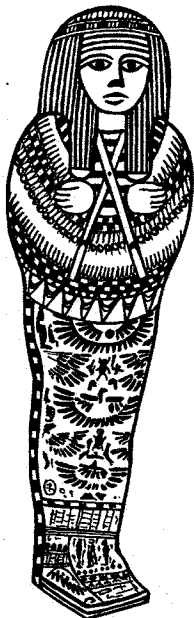
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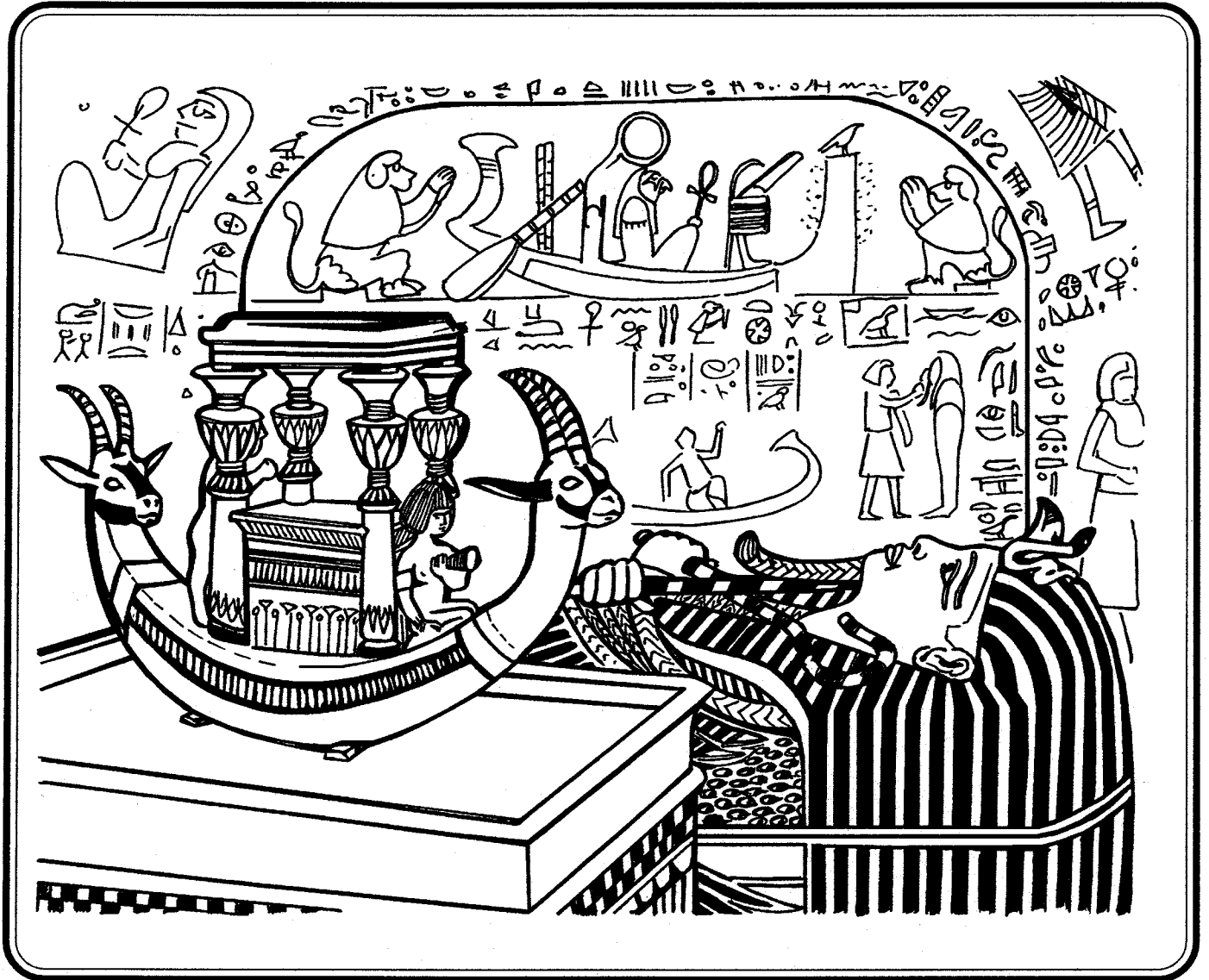
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Chapter 1: *The Discovery of Egypt*

1. Skim the text for each vocabulary word listed below and discuss its meaning as it is used in that sentence.

straggly

gingerly

shabby

prospect

enthroned

taut

vague

improvised

innovation



2. Despite a variety of ethnic/cultural backgrounds, what **one** thing did all the neighborhood children have in common?

3. What statue did the girls **enthroned** in the old birdbath?

4. Briefly name and describe the **four** characters introduced in the first chapter.

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____

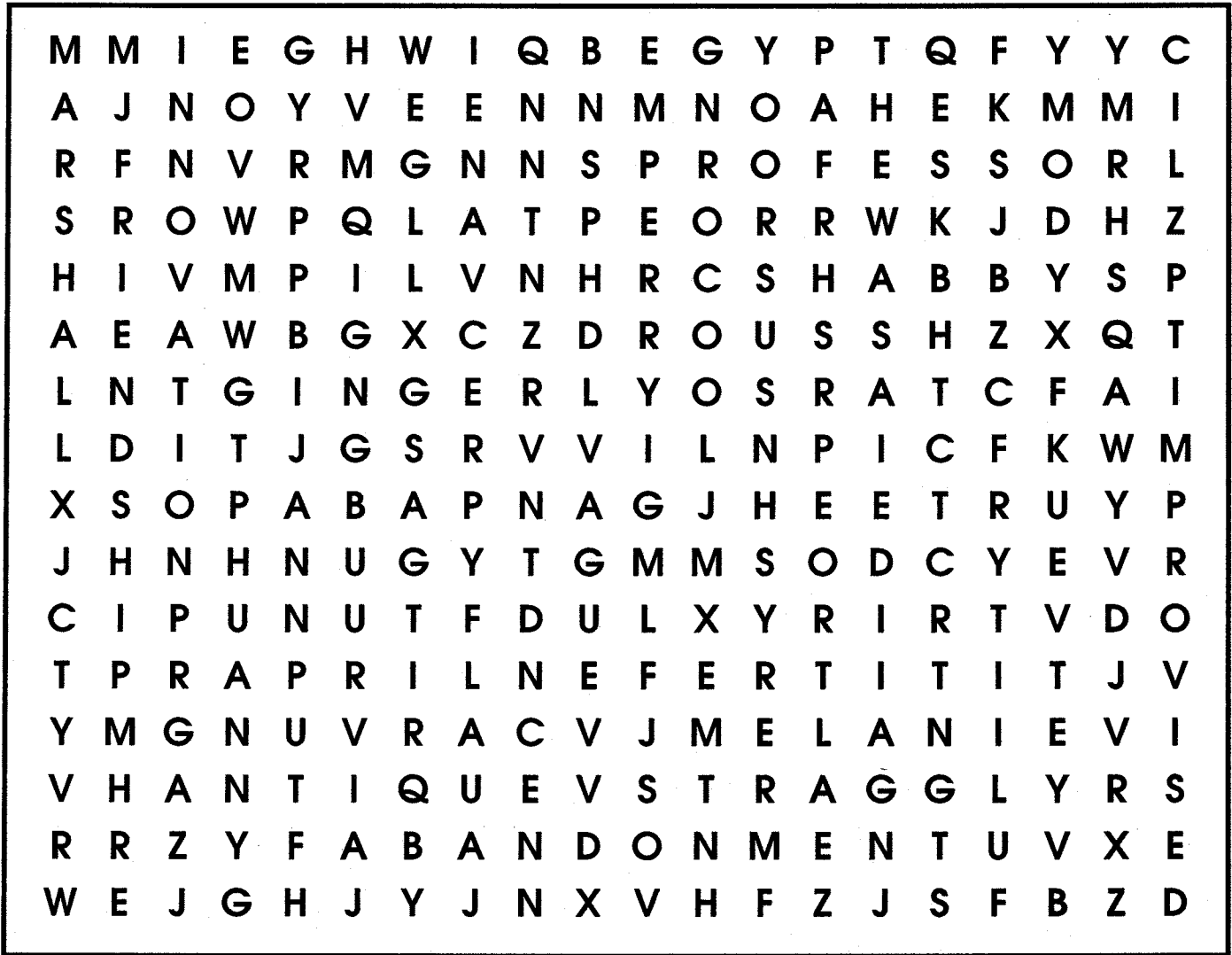
5. According to Melanie, what was the "Sacred Flower of Egypt"?

6. What **refinement** did Melanie make to the thistle ritual?

7. Predict why the Professor was so very interested in what the girls were doing in the first chapter.



8. Find the hidden words in the Word Search puzzle.



friendship	gingerly	vague	professor
abandonment	shabby	improvised	April
insecurity	prospect	innovation	Marshall
egypt	enthroned	sacred	antique
straggly	taut	Melanie	Nefertiti