

High priests in ancient Egypt sometimes had pyramids as parts of their tombs, like the high priest in the Three Pyramids game. However, these were always pointed pyramids. The game is built around three of the most famous pyramids belonging to pharaohs - the Step Pyramid of Djoser, the Bent Pyramid of Sneferu and the Great Pyramid of Khufu.



Step Pyramid of King Djoser

The Step Pyramid was built at Saqqara (south west of Cairo) around 2600 BC.

It was designed by the famous ancient Egyptian architect and high priest, Imhotep.

It is thought to be the first building in the world to be made entirely from stone.



Bent Pyramid of King Sneferu

The Bent Pyramid was built at Dahshur (south of Saqqara) around 2550 BC.

Its unusual shape was probably due to problems during construction that led to a change of angle and building method for the upper half.

Sneferu then went on to build the Red Pyramid, the first true pyramid.



Great Pyramid of King Khufu

The Great Pyramid at Giza (north west of Cairo) is the largest of all the pyramids.

It was built by King Khufu, the son of Sneferu, around 2500 BC.

The pyramid is made of over two million blocks of stone.