

“Egypt is the gift of the Nile” -- Herodotus, Greek historian, 484-425 BCE

In other words:

- ◇ The Nile gave us Egypt.
- ◇ If it weren't for the Nile, we wouldn't have Egypt.
- ◇ The Nile made/created Egypt.
- ◇ The Nile gave Egypt life.
- ◇ The Nile is essential to Egypt's existence.
- ◇ Egypt grew and thrived because of the Nile.

Cataract: a large waterfall

Delta: where a river meets the sea and separates out in a triangular formation

Silt: a fine, fertile soil deposited by a river during flooding

Fertile: suitable for growing

The Nile flows north, not up. The Nile flows down, like all rivers.