

EXERCISE I

1. Below are four different hieroglyphic texts from real inscriptions. Write numbers next to the hieroglyphs in each one showing the order in which the signs are supposed to be read.

a. 

"The sun's rays are protection over you, their hands holding health and life" (from one of the shrines of Tutankhamun)

b. 

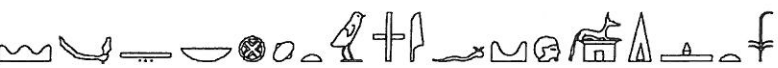
"I was his servant, his true confidant" (from an autobiographical inscription)

c.  "You shall reveal to him your secrets" (from the tomb of Seti I)

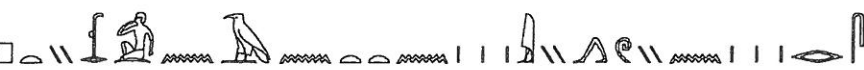
d.  "I have followed him by night and day to all his places" (from an autobiography)

2. Try to arrange the following strings of hieroglyphs into groups, preserving the same order (you can adjust the size of individual signs where necessary).

a.  "I have made my tomb by the king's blessing."

b.  "A royal offering of Anubis on His Mountain, he who is in the mummy-wrappings, lord of the Sacred Land."

c.  "Then he laughed at me because of that which I said."

d.  "What is the reason we have returned?"

e.  "Look, your name will exist forever in the temple."