

Rosetta Stone Project: Key Terms and People

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In order to understand any new topic of study or research, it is helpful to learn the key terms of the topic and to be familiar with the important people in that field. Using your classroom and library resources, write down definitions of terms and brief notes identifying people important in the decipherment of cuneiform and hieroglyphs.

Behistun Inscription

cuneiform

cartouche

Coptic

demotic

hieratic

hieroglyphics

ideogram

inscribe

logogram

phonogram

pictogram

rebus

Rosetta Stone

script (in contrast with *language*)

transliterate (in contrast with *translate*)

Jean-François Champollion

Henry Rawlinson

Thomas Young