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Sobek Amulet MU3286



Inquiry topics and useful resources

- 1. What is the difference between "theriomorphic" and "therioanthropic" representations of Ancient Egyptian gods?
- 2. Can you find a specific example of Sobek depicted in each of these two forms?



Here are some good places to look. (*Hint: use the search function to find relevant artefacts. Think of useful synonyms for your search inquiry*).

• British Museum, London. Online Collection Database

https://www.britishmuseum.org/research/collection_online

• University College, London (UCL). Petrie Collection Online Catalogue

http://petriecat.museums.ucl.ac.uk

• Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

https://www.metmuseum.org

• Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

https://www.mfa.org/collections/search

- 3. Why do you think the same god can be represented in more than one way in Ancient Egyptian religion and thought?
- 4. Why might the Egyptians chose dangerous creatures as symbols of protection? Apart from Sobek, can you find another example of this practice?
- 5. How can MU3286 contribute to our understanding of religion in New Kingdom Egypt?

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