

# Ancient Egyptian Hieroglyphs, Chinese Characters, and Maya Glyphs: A Comparative Reading

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**ast** clay, earth

**aqh** clay, earth

**aaa** ground, earth, rubbish-heap; plur. Tutankhamen 7.

**aaahu-t** Rec. 27, 86, soil, ground, land, earth.

**qanr, qanr-t** Leyd. Pap. 44, ground, earth, dust, dirt; Copt.  $\chi\iota\tau\upsilon\pi$  (?)

**Variation**  
**qarret** ground, earth, street (?); var.

**qah** Rec. 13, 19, 14, 14, earth, ground; Copt.  $K\&Z$ .

**gebb** A.Z. 1906, 149, earth, ground.

**ta** T. 392, M. 406, Rev. 11, 181, ground, land, earth, world, soil, dust; Copt.  $\tau\omicron$ ,  $\theta\omicron$ .

**pega** Rec. 11, 69, dust, earth (?)

**khui (khi)** ground, earth, estate.

**sa-t** earth, ground, soil, pavement; Copt.  $E\&H\tau$ .

**Variation**  
**sent** something founded or established, ground, the solid earth.

**set** Jour. As. 1908, 277 = earth, ground; Copt.  $CH\tau$ .

*Source: EAW Budge: An Egyptian Hieroglyphic Dictionary. Fair use.*

Tu, "earth", in Chinese  
Ta [AEH]

Kab'an, Chaban, "earth", in Maya glyphs  
Gebb [AEH]

**First comparison: 3 design elements, lines, figures common to all three language glyphs.**  
**Second: Earth is third planet from the Sun = 3 lines, 3 design elements**

[AEH]

[Chinese]

[Maya]

# Ancient Egyptian Hieroglyphs [AEH], Chinese Characters, and Maya Glyphs:



## A Comparative Reading of "Night"




### AEH

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**akhakh** , night, darkness.

**áakhhk** , night; var. .

**áukhekh** , ,  
, night, darkness.

**ákhákh** , darkness, night.

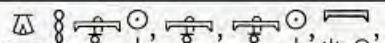
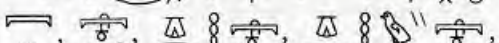

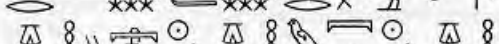


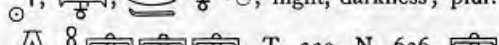


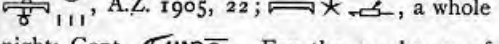

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



























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**AEH**

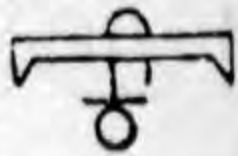
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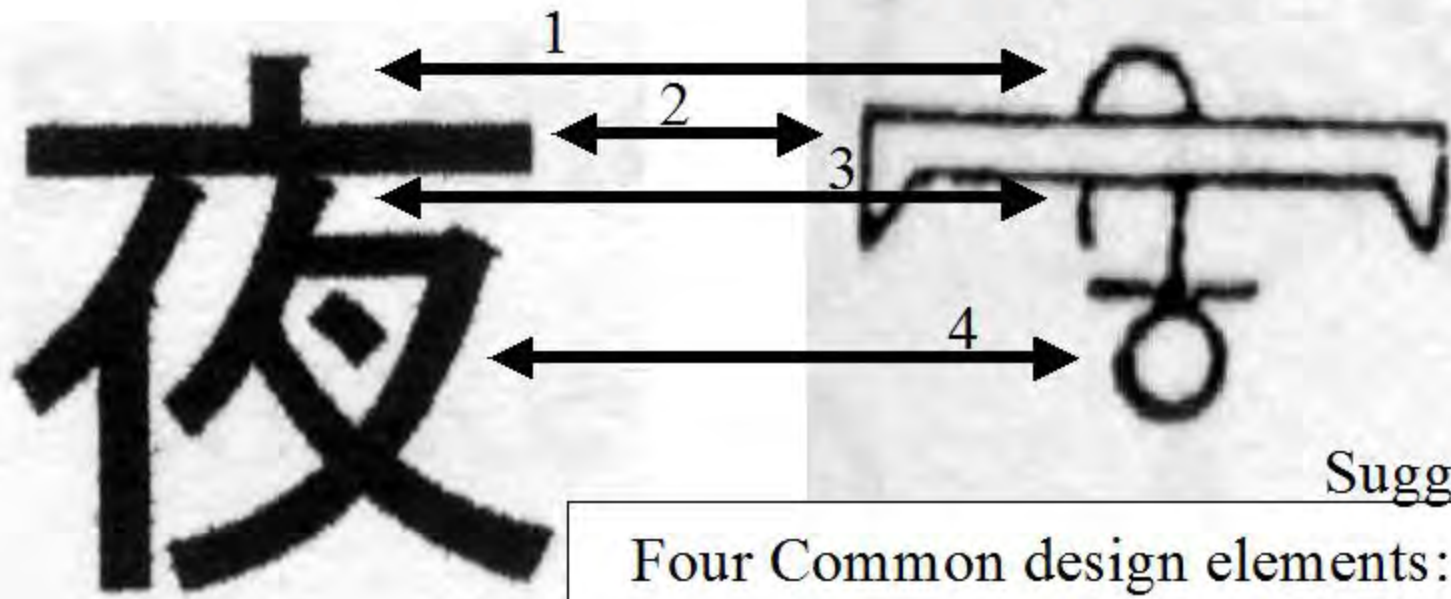
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“night” in Chinese



“night” in ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs [AEH]

AEH flipped horizontally



Suggestive

- Four Common design elements:
- 1- Setting Sun
  - 2- Skyband [horizon]
  - 3- Two vertical lines beneath skyband
  - 4- One volumetric figure [Moon]

# Ancient Egyptian Hieroglyphs [AEH], Chinese Characters, and Maya Glyphs:

## A Comparative Reading of "Book"

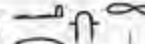

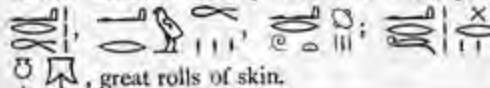
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### AEH




**ār-t**  a skin roll, a book;  
see 


Could the English word "art"  
have come from this AEH word?


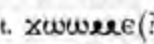
**ār-t** , Amen. 15, 20, 19, 5,  
21, 13,   
a book, a roll, register, document, a writing, a  
leather scroll or roll, parchment, deed; plur.  
, great rolls of skin.

**ārq**  the end of any-  
thing, the last.


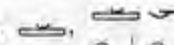

**ārq**  a book, roll, writing.


**ba**  book, papyrus roll, service,  
liturgy, document; plur.   
  
Rec. 32, 178.

**metcha-t** , U. 60r, book,



written roll, decree, writing, manuscript, edict,  
order, liturgy, document, deed, draft, letter,  
epistle; plur. ; Copt.  (?)


**metcha-t** may be the reading of 



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Thes. 1295, divine literature;

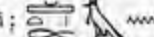
, book of destruction.


**metcha-t** 

 letter, writing, book; plur. 

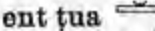
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
Book of the 75 addresses to Rā; 

 Book of traversing Eternity;

 B.D. 162, 13.


**metcha-t ent tua** 

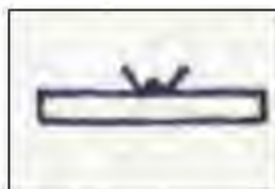
★  Book of Praise.

**shaá**  Rev. 13, 107, book, writing,  
document.

Notice how the same glyph may be  
written vertically.

**shauá** , writing,  
document, letter, book; see 

**th-t** , writing, book, document,  
list, warrant.



= "book"  
in AEH



= "book" in  
Maya glyphs



= "book" in  
Chinese characters

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### AEH



= “book” in  
Maya glyphs



Without cartouche

With partial cartouche



“book” in ancient  
Egyptian hieroglyphs



= “book” in  
Chinese characters

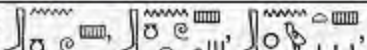
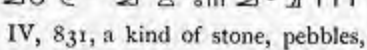


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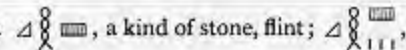

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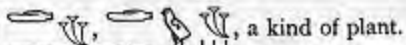
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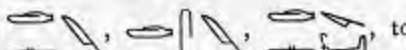
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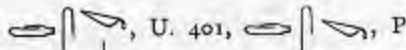
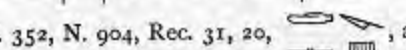

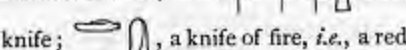
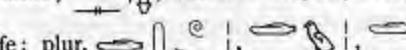

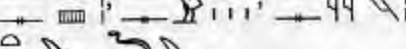
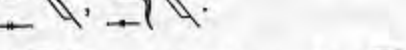
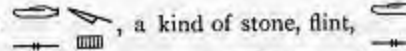
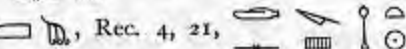

**benu-t** , IV, 831, a kind of stone, pebbles, flints; , the ore of copper (?) a stone used in medicine.

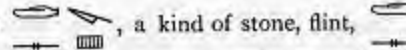
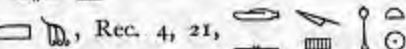

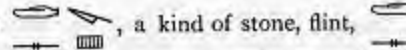
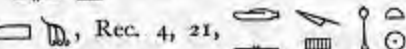

**set** , stone, flint (?)

**qeh** , a kind of stone, flint; , A.Z. 1879, 53.

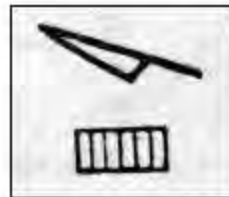
**tes** , a kind of plant.

**tes** , to knife, to cut, to hack in pieces, to divide.

**tes** , U. 401, , P. 188, M. 352, N. 904, Rec. 31, 20, , a knife of flint or metal; , a ready knife; , a knife of fire, *i.e.*, a red-hot knife; plur. , , , , , ;

varr. , , ; **tes** , a kind of stone, flint, , Rec. 4, 21, , black flint, white flint.

**teḥnu** , Hh. 364, flint knives (?) obsidian knives (?)



= "flint",  
a knife &  
a stone in  
ancient  
Egyptian  
hieroglyphs



= "flint" in  
AEH flipped  
horizontally



= "flint" in  
Chinese  
character



= "flint" in  
Maya  
glyph

Budge, E.A. Wallis, *An Egyptian Hieroglyphic Dictionary*, in Two Volumes, Dover Publications, New York, 1978: 580 pp & 1314 pp.

# Ancient Egyptian Hieroglyphs [AEH], Chinese Characters, and Maya Glyphs:

## A Comparative Reading of "CORN"

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### AEH

**ât** T. 289, P. 621,  
N. 824, corn,  
grist; Copt. ⲉⲓⲱⲧ.

**ānkh** grain, corn, wheat.

**per-t** Thes. 1203,  
 Peasant 294, grain, corn, wheat,  
field produce, fruit of any kind; Copt. ⲉⲣⲉ,  
ⲃⲣⲏⲧⲉ, ⲉⲃⲣⲏⲧⲉ, Heb. יִרְבֵּן.

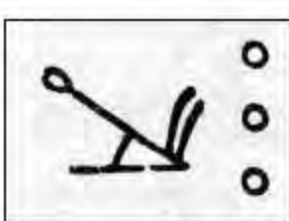
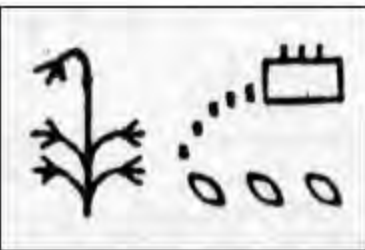
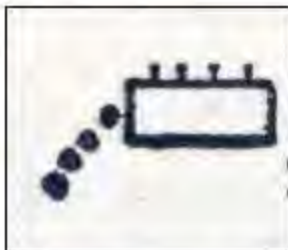
**nep** grain, corn.

**nepi** Rec. 27, 86, grain, corn.

**nepit** grain, corn.

**nepá** grain, corn; see

**resi** corn, grain.



= "corn, grist" in ancient  
Egyptian hieroglyphs

**玉米** = "corn"  
in Chinese  
characters

= "corn, seed"  
in Maya  
glyphs

Add a line  
without cartouche  
to Maya glyph