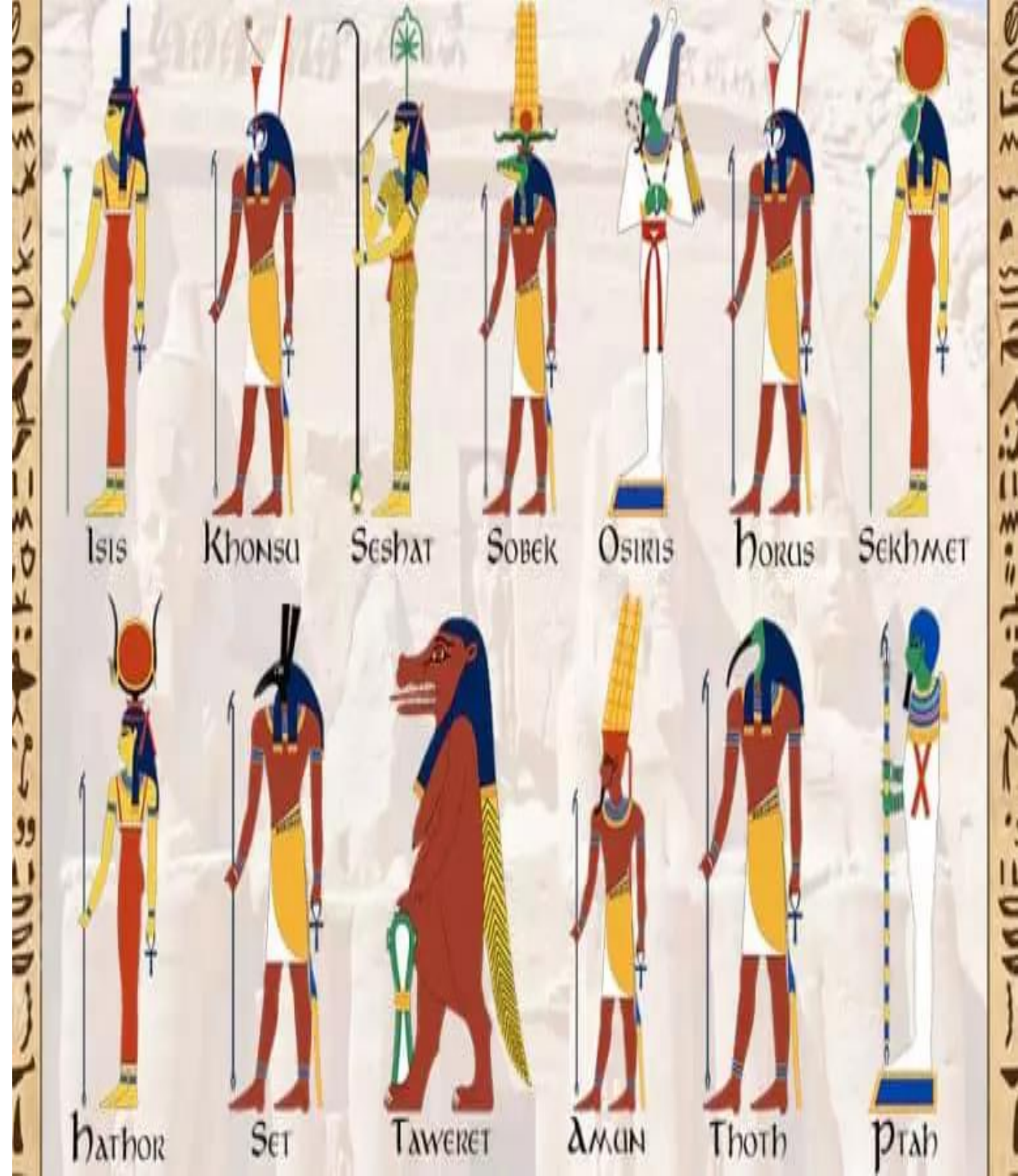




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Amun

- Amun was the god of the air. Amun was one of the eight ancient Egyptian gods who formed the Ogdoad of Hermopolis. His consort was Ament Amun and Mut. In Egyptian mythology, Amun was a very powerful god. He was often combined with Ra to form the god Amun-Ra. At one point in Egyptian history, he was called the "King of the Gods".



Anubis

Anubis was the god of mummification and the afterlife. Anubis was the son of Ra, a more popular recent version depicts him as the illegitimate son of Osiris, god of the underworld, and his sister Nephthys, a protective goddess of the dead. Legend has it that Nephthys abandoned him for fear of Set, god of evil, to whom she was sister-wife



Bastet

Bastet is the offspring of Ra, an Egyptian sun god. She is the Egyptian goddess of the home and felines, as well as a protector goddess. Bastet had 3 siblings, Shu, God of the wind, Tefnut, Goddess of moisture and Sekhmet, Goddess of medicine. Bastet had one son, Maahes, God of war.



Bes

Bes was the god ancient Egyptian god of childbirth, fertility, sexuality, humor, and war, but served primarily as a protector god of pregnant women and children. He is regularly depicted as a dwarf with large ears, long-haired and bearded, with prominent genitals, and bow-legged.



Keb

Keb was god of the Earth and later a member of the Ennead of Heliopolis. He had a viper around his head and was thus also considered the father of snakes. It was believed in ancient Egypt that Keb's laughter created earthquakes and that he allowed crops to grow.



Hathor

Hathor was the goddess of the sky, of women, fertility and love. Hathor's mother was called Nieth and her siblings are Sekhmet, Bastet, Maat, Shu and Tefnut.



Horus

Horus was god of the sun of the sky. He was the most powerful of them all. He defeated Seth, the god who murdered his father. But Horus also beheaded his own mother because she betrayed him. He is known as the god with the eagle head or the oldest ruler of Egypt.



Nieth

Nieth was goddess of war and hunting. It was her responsibility to help settle wars and disputes between the gods and the Egyptians. The Egyptian warriors believed they could not win a war without praying to her.



Isis

Isis is an ancient Egyptian goddess, associated with the earlier goddess Hathor, who became the most popular and enduring of all the Egyptian deities. Her name comes from the Egyptian ESET , ("the seat") which referred to her stability and also the throne of Egypt as she was considered the mother of every pharaoh through the king's association with Horus , Isis' son.



Nephthys

Nephthys is the Egyptian goddess of Mourning, Lamentation, Sleep, Rivers, the Night and Protector of The Dead. She was born on the Fifth Demon Day. In a later life, she married her former brother Set and became the mother of Anubis.



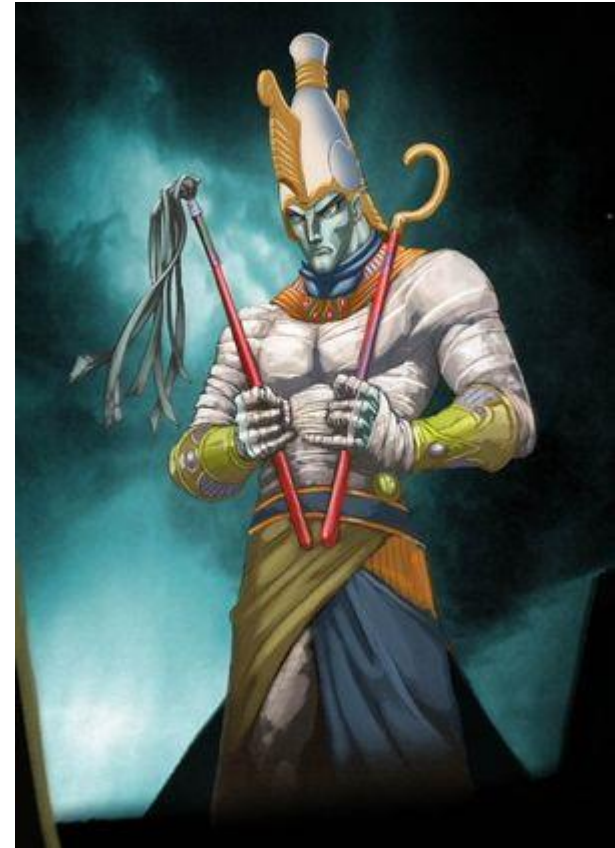
Nut

the sky goddess Nut as a cow. In Egyptian mythology, Nut was the goddess of the sky. Her body made a protective layer over the Earth. Nut was the sister and wife of Geb, and the mother of (with Ra) Osiris, Nephthys, Isis and Seth and grandmother of Horus.



Osiris

Osiris is the god of fertility, agriculture, the afterlife, the dead, resurrection, life, and vegetation in ancient Egyptian religion. He was classically depicted as a green-skinned deity with a pharaoh's beard, partially mummy-wrapped at the legs, wearing a distinctive Atef crown, and holding a symbolic crook and flail.



Ra

Ra was the god of the sky . He was the most important god in Ancient Egypt. He had many names, such as Amun-Ra, and Ra-Horakhty. It was said he was born each morning in the East, and died each night in the West.



Set

Set, also known as Seth and Suetekh, was the Egyptian god of war, chaos and storms, brother of Osiris, Isis, and Horus the Elder, uncle to Horus the Younger, and brother-husband to Nephthys.



Shu

Shu is represented as a human with feathers on his head, as he is associated with dry and warm air. This feather serves as the hieroglyphic sign for his name. Shu could also be represented as a lion, or with a more elaborate feathered headdress.



Tefnut

Tefnut is a deity of moisture, moist air, dew and rain in Ancient Egyptian religion. She is the sister and consort of the air god Shu and the mother of Geb and Nut.

