E969A, not on display: canopic jar with a lid in the shape of the falcon god Khebehsenuf.
Mummy Cat Scavenger Hunt

Listen to a reading of the story “Mummy Cat” here, then use this scavenger hunt to explore related artifacts from the OI Museum.

How to search for objects:
1. Go to oi-idb.uchicago.edu.
2. Type or copy and paste the registration number for the object (Example: E11390).
3. Check the box “Images Only.”
4. Press Submit.

Cats were important animals in ancient Egypt, and were both kept as pets and used to represent gods. Take a look at a close-up photo of this bronze cat in our collection. What jewelry is it wearing? **E11390**

“Mummy Cat” tells a story of an important queen’s cat. Which queen’s name is in this cartouche? **E14384A**

Which other famous queen is shown in this replica bust? What feature is missing on the original but is restored (added back in) here? **C280**

We follow Mummy Cat as he looks at painted scenes of royal life, including the queen playing a harp on the Nile River. What period is this harp from? **E19474**
Hat-shep-set draws with a palette of inks in the story. What is inscribed on the end of this wooden scribal palette? E13704

The cat and queen in the story are struck by a scorpion. What other animal is shown in this ostracon with a painted scorpion? E15595

When the cat and queen are made into mummies in the story, four canopic jars are shown in the scene, which were used to protect someone's organs after they were mummified. What is the name of the god on the falcon-headed jar? E969A

The cat visits the queen's golden coffin in the book. What period is this fragment of a golden mummy mask from? E7177
MAKE YOUR OWN MUMMY CAT

**Materials:**
- Toilet paper tube, or paper towel tube cut in half
- Cloth for mummy wrappings (such as an old t-shirt or kitchen towel, or gauze bandages)
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Marker
- Googly eyes (optional)

1. To create cat ears, press the edges of the paper tube into the middle on one end, as shown below.

2. Cut your cloth into strips about half an inch wide. It will take about seven to eight feet of strips to wrap your mummy!

3. Cut two two-inch-long strips of cloth. Apply glue to one side of each strip and wrap a strip around each ear, as shown below.
4. Begin wrapping your mummy cat. Start with a strip of cloth about two feet long. Put glue on one end of the strip. Press the glued end in place on the cardboard tube, and then wrap the strip around the tube. When you get to the end of the strip, put more glue on the end of the strip and press it in place.

5. Repeat the wrapping process with more cloth strips until the entire tube is covered in cloth.

6. Draw a face on your mummy cat with a marker. Glue on googly eyes if you have them. Your mummy is complete!