

1 **INT. PALACE LIBRARY - DAY** *

HEAVY BREATHING - MOSES IS HIDING. SFX SIGNALS
SUSPENSE.

001 CHILD MOSES
(quietly)
No, please, no. *

002 EGYPTIAN TUTOR
Moses! Where did you go? Moses!

003 CHILD MOSES
I need to get out of here. I-I can
do this.

SFX BUILDS. BREATHING INTENSIFIES. MOSES' HEART
BEATS.

004 CHILD MOSES
Now!

MOSES RUSHES FOR THE DOOR AND IS STOPPED.

005 EGYPTIAN TUTOR
Moses! There you are. Why are you
hiding?

SUDDEN SFX CUT.

False suspense - Moses is in "school".

006 EGYPTIAN TUTOR
Moses you are presenting your
progress to Pharaoh today! No more
games!

START >>> 007 **CHILD MOSES**
Fine. S-sorry.

008 EGYPTIAN TUTOR
Are you afraid?

009 **CHILD MOSES**
I don't like speaking in
front of people.

010 EGYPTIAN TUTOR
Yes, Moses. That is-

011 EGYPTIAN TUTOR
-why we practice.

011r **CHILD MOSES**
Why we practice.

012 CHILD MOSES

I know.

013 EGYPTIAN TUTOR

Good. Now, tell me. Who are the most powerful gods in Egypt?

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014 CHILD MOSES

Eh-hem.

(rehearsed)

Hapi is the god of the Nile, he makes the river flood every year for our food. Heket is the goddess of marriage, she has the head of a frog. Geb is a god over the dust of the earth. Khepri is the god of creation, he has the head of a fly. Hathor is the goddess of love, she has the head of...

(thinks...)

A cow.

015 EGYPTIAN TUTOR

Very good!

016 CHILD MOSES

I-I-Isis-

017 EGYPTIAN TUTOR

Slow down.

018 CHILD MOSES

(slow)

Isis is the goddess of medicine. Nut is the goddess of the sky. Seth is the god of storms. And Ra rules over them all, he is the god of the sun.

019 EGYPTIAN TUTOR

And who is the most powerful divinity in Egypt? Is it the Son of Ra?

020 CHILD MOSES

(praticed)

Yes, the Divine son of Ra, Pharaoh himself, exercises the power of the gods over all of Egypt!

021 EGYPTIAN TUTOR

(clapping)

Very good! See? Your grandfather will be very impressed.

022 CHILD MOSES
 May I go now?

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023 EGYPTIAN TUTOR
 You may go.

MOSES RUNS OUT TO -

024 CHILD MOSES
 I'd much rather study fighting.
 Like Merneptah.

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IN ANOTHER ROOM: WOOD ON WOOD - CLACK, CLACK,
 CLACK, A SWORD FIGHT. MERNEPTAH GRUNTS WITH EACH
 PARRY AND BLOCK.

025 CHILD MERNEPTAH (O.C.)
 Hyah!

026 EGYPTIAN TRAINER (O.C.)
 Very good! Again! One, two, fight!

CLACK, CLACK, CLACK.

SFX TRANSITION:

3 INT. PHARAOH'S PALACE - ELSEWHERE - DAY

We are now with Merneptah.

CLACK CLACK CLACK.

027 CHILD MERNEPTAH
 Hyah!

WHACK! WALLA: MERNEPTAH CRIES OUT IN PAIN.

028 EGYPTIAN TRAINER
 No, Merneptah! This is sloppy -
 (WHACK!)
 Undisciplined!
 (WHACK!)

WALLA: MERNEPTAH CRIES OUT AGAIN AND AGAIN.

029 EGYPTIAN TRAINER
WEAK!