## Questions for summer reading 2014

Summer Reading Questions for Mara, Daughter of the Nile by Eloise Jarvis McGraw

The answers to the questions are due Wednesday, September 3rd. Answers should be a couple of sentences unless otherwise stated.

- 1. Write a couple of sentences explaining what you admire most about the heroine of the story.
- 2. Throughout the story, various Egyptian gods are mentioned. Choose three and research an interesting fact about each one.
- 3. In the story, Hatshepsut is depicted as a villain. Give three reasons, as stated in the book, for her unpopularity.
- 4. Define the following vocabulary words:
  - a) amulet b) cataract c) cartouche d) electrum e) lapis lazuli f) ka g) sphinx
- 5. The book mentions the Black Lands several times. What were the Black Lands?
- 6. Why was Inami so miserable?
- 7. What did Thutmose want Sheftu to do that was so dangerous?
- 8. Has this story whetted your appetite for Ancient Egyptian history? What would you like to learn more about?