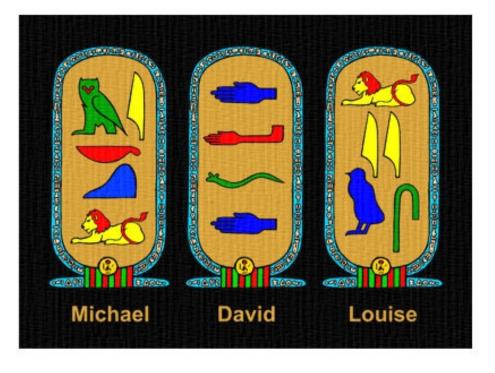
CARTOUCHE

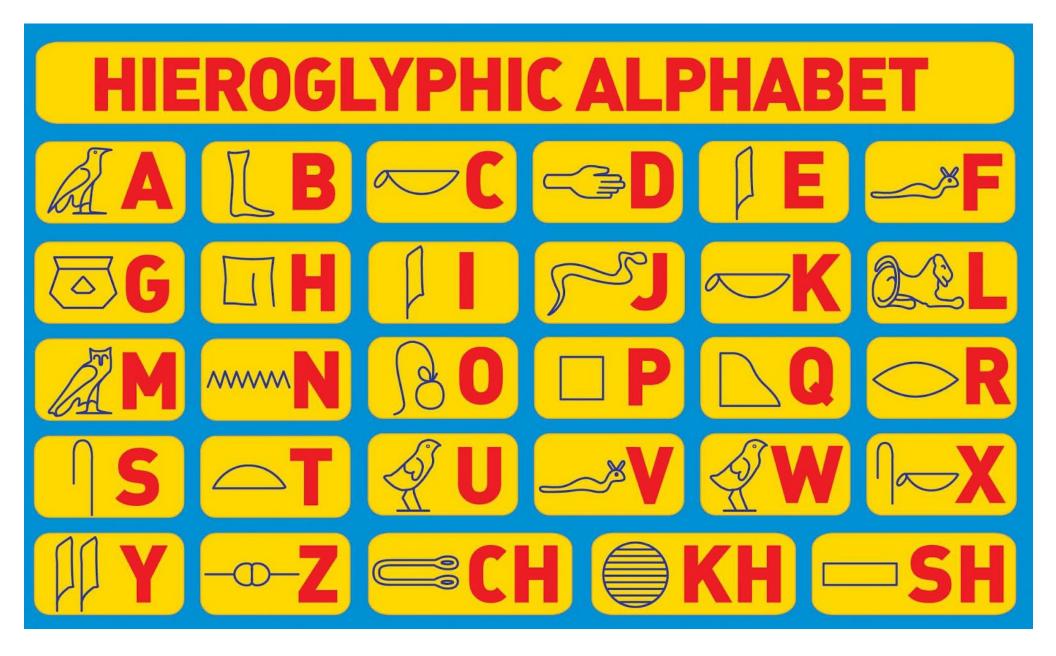
In Egyptian hieroglyphs, a cartouche is an oval with a horizontal line at one end, indicating that the text enclosed is a royal name, coming into use during the beginning of the Fourth Dynasty under Pharaoh Sneferu. Names are written vertically within the oval using images instead of letters like we do today.

Cartouches were mostly used on tombs because the Egyptians believed that spirits left tombs at night and the cartouche was their way of ensuring that they got back to the correct tomb.

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