

Cleopatra Diary

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Dear Diary,

Only three moons have passed since the beginning of my eighteenth year but the most awful event happened today – father died! He was not ill but he has passed into the next life. Even the temple medicine men are unsure as to why. Later, we will organise a grand funeral for father that will last for days.

Earlier, I overheard the members of the court discussing what is to happen. They say that I am to rule the empire with my younger brother, Ptolemy. I do not know how to lead people and I certainly don't want to have to do it with my immature brother. Egypt is such a rich and powerful country. I am nervous about ruling it but I would rather do so alone.

Tomorrow, I will talk to the court to tell them my plan.

Forever,

Queen Cleopatra



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Dear Diary,

Only three moons have passed since the beginning of my eighteenth year but the most awful event happened today – father died! He showed no signs of illness but has passed into the next life. Even the temple medicine men are unsure as to what happened to him. After the difficult life he led, I am sure he died of exhaustion. Later, we will organise a lavish funeral for father that will last for days, with plenty of music as he would have wanted.

After hearing the news of my father's death, I overheard the members of the court discussing what is to happen. They say that I am to rule the empire with my younger brother, Ptolemy. I do not know how to lead people and I certainly don't want to have to do it with my immature brother. Egypt is such a rich, powerful country and although I am nervous about ruling it, I would rather do so alone.

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Dear Diary,

Only three moons have passed since the beginning of my eighteenth year but the most awful event occurred today – father died unexpectedly! Despite showing no signs of illness, he has passed into the next life. Even the temple medicine men are unsure as to what befell him but after the difficult life he had led, I am sure he died of exhaustion. Later, we will organise an elaborate funeral for father that will last for days, with plenty of musicians, as father loved music.

Following the news of my father's death, I overheard the members of the court discussing what is to happen to the empire. They say that I am to rule with my younger brother, Ptolemy. I do not know how to lead people and I certainly don't want to have to do it with my immature brother. Egypt is such a rich, powerful country but our empire is beginning to fail. I am nervous about becoming the ruler but I would rather do so alone, not with a ten-year-old boy to worry about. I will become a strong, powerful leader – I know I am capable and my education will help me.

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