## **CHAPTER 2**

## TIPPING THE SCALES

Who is Anubis? What does Ma'at do in the Hall of Truth?

Ancient Egyptians wanted to live a good life. They wanted to have a good afterlife. Afterlife is life after death. To have a good afterlife, ancient Egyptians had to worship Ma'at. They had to know right from wrong. They didn't have to be perfect. But they had to have balance. They needed to do more good things than bad things.

Ancient Egyptians died. Their bodies got **embalmed**. Anubis was the god of embalming. Embalming is the

preserving of human bodies after dying. Preserving means saving. Embalmers took out body parts. They put special chemicals in bodies. This process kept bodies from rotting.

Ancient Egyptians made mummies.

