

The background of the cover is a detailed relief carving from an ancient Egyptian tomb. It depicts a man in a long, pleated kilt and a broad collar, shown in a seated or kneeling position. He is holding a long staff or scepter in his right hand. To his left, another figure is partially visible, holding a large circular object, possibly a shield or a mirror. The relief is set within a rectangular frame, and the overall style is characteristic of the Late Period of ancient Egypt.

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