

The TAJ MAHAL

1. Match the paragraph with a suitable¹ subtitle.

The tomb is made of 28 types of stone and jewel from all over India and other countries. Most of the tomb is made of a beautiful white stone called marble. About 20,000 people built the Taj Mahal, and it took 22 years. More than 1,000 elephants helped to move the stones for the building.

The Taj Mahal was built about 400 years ago. The Emperor Shah Jahan built it for his wife, Mumtaz Mahal. She died when she had her 14th baby. Shah Jahan was very sad, so he built the Taj Mahal to remember his wife. Later, Shah Jahan's son wanted to be the emperor, so he put his father into prison. When Shah Jahan died, people put his body in the Taj Mahal, so that he was with his wife forever.

The Taj Mahal is in India. It looks like a palace, but it's a tomb. It's one of the most beautiful tombs in the world. There are gardens and fountains around the building.

Subtitles:

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STORY OF THE TAJ MAHAL

2. What can you do at the Taj Mahal? TICK the correct answer.

- 1 Take photos.
- 2 Look at the fountains.
- 3 Walk around the gardens.
- 4 See the monkeys in the rainforest.
- 5 See the statues with the big heads.

- 6 See the amazing building.
- 7 Count the sarsen stones.
- 8 Visit the tomb.

¹ Suitable: Adecuado

