

Text 01: Stepwells Vocabulary Quiz

Choose the letter of the best answer. Type the letter in the box beside each question.



- Inhabitants of north-western India developed a method of gaining access to clean, fresh drinking water during the dry season through the use of...
 - pavilions
 - stepwells
 - architecture
 - groundwater
- Which is NOT a function of stepwells?
 - watering animals
 - bathing
 - relaxation
 - washing clothes
- Stepwells can be found...
 - In many countries
 - only in the USA
 - only in India
 - only in Africa
- What sheltered visitors from the relentless heat?
 - well water
 - pavilions
 - stone steps
 - stone pillars
- During the course of a year the water level in stepwells...
 - remained the same
 - became frozen in winter
 - changed often
 - dried up

Match the following definitions with each word. Write the letter in the blank.

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| _____ 6. shade | a. supplying dry land with water by means of ditches etc |
| _____ 7. pristine | b. completely clean and unused/ original condition |
| _____ 8. zigzag | c. a shadow that blocks out sunlight |
| _____ 9. alter | d. marked by complexity and richness of detail |
| _____ 10. restoration | e. to change |
| _____ 11. elaborate | f. a structure with open columns and a roof |
| _____ 12. irrigation | g. having short sharp turns in alternating directions |
| _____ 13. derelict | h. to repair/ to bring back to the original condition |
| _____ 14. bygone | i. worn out and broken down by use/ abandoned |
| _____ 15. pavilion | j. similar to a column or tower |
| _____ 16. pillar | k. never-ceasing |
| _____ 17. sculpture | l. long ago/ in the past |
| _____ 18. monument | m. creativity and imagination |
| _____ 19. relentless | n. a structure erected to commemorate persons or events |
| _____ 20. ingenuity | o. a 3D work of art |

