

Text 01: Stepwells Vocabulary Quiz

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



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

