

Chestnut and Holly Home Learning Pack



Taj Mahal

L1: To conduct research into the Taj Mahal

Watch the video on the link below and/or use the information sheet in this pack to find the following information out about Chichen Itza. Record your findings in note form on the worksheet provided.

Use this video to help with your research.

[The Story of the Taj Mahal for Kids: Famous World Landmarks for Children - FreeSchool - YouTube](#)

[Taj Mahal History and Architecture - Fun Fact for Kids | Educational Videos by Mocomi - YouTube](#)

[Taj Mahal, Agra \(India\) | Seven wonders for kids | history & facts - YouTube](#)

The Taj Mahal

The Taj Mahal is a mosque like building and tomb. It was built in the 16th century by the Mughal emperor, Shah Jahan, in memory of his wife Mumtaz Mahal.



Where is the Taj Mahal?

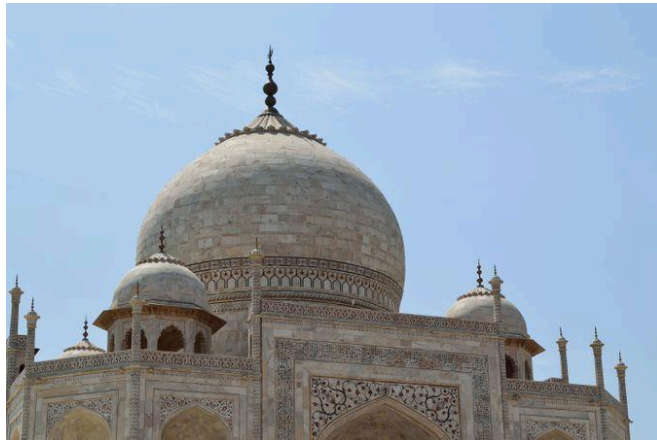
The Taj Mahal is located on the banks of a river in the city of Agra, Uttar Pradesh in Northern India. This is a very busy city with nearly two billion people residing there. This northern area of India is bigger than the whole of the United Kingdom.



Construction

The Taj Mahal was constructed with materials from all over the world, and over 20,000 people were used to move building materials. It is generally thought that Ustad Ahmad Lahauri was in charge of the

construction. The construction was finished in 1648. The construction of Taj Mahal is over 1,800 metres.



Damage

As a result of pollution, the Taj Mahal is slowly turning yellow. It is also becoming damaged by acid rain fall due to a nearby oil refinery. In 1996, the Indian Supreme Court set up an exclusion zone around the building. This means that any industries within 10,400 square metres must use natural gases instead of coal.

Tomb

Shah Jahan and his wife Mumtaz Mahal are buried inside a tomb deep within the Taj Mahal. Interestingly, there is also a false tomb which claimed to contain their bodies. This false tomb has eight sides, a lattice screen and semi-precious stones.





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Name of wonder	
Date built	
Country	
What is it built from?	
Size	
Why was it built?	
Other interesting facts	



L1: To plot the '7 Wonders of the New World' on a map



This will appear in every pack but you only need to complete one map.

For every wonder that you research and you write about, plot where they are on the world map. Don't forget to label them!

You can include this in your non-fiction book.

