



Class - V EVS January Month Notes

19. Historical Buildings

I. Know These Terms:

1. Minaret - A tall thin tower.
2. Inlaid - Decorated with designs of wood, metal, etc.
3. Projected - Something that sticks out.
4. Astronomical - Related to the scientific study of the sun, moon, stars, etc.
5. Observatory - A building from which scientists can watch the stars, the weather, etc.

II. Answer the following questions:

1. What are heritage buildings?

Heritage buildings are the buildings that are recognized by the government for their cultural and historical value.

2. Why do we need to protect our historical monuments?

We need to protect our historical monuments so that our forthcoming generations can visit them and learn about the glorious past of India from them.

3. How are human activities harming our historical monuments?

Human activities are harming our historical monuments in the following ways.

- increased pollution from vehicles
- industrial pollution
- ill-planned development
- floods and other natural disasters
- lack of management of resources.

4. How can we as visitors take care of these monuments?

As visitors, it is our duty to take care of historical monuments. While visiting them, we should take care of following things.

- We should not scratch or write on their walls.
- We should abide by the rules laid down by the government to preserve them.
- We should not throw garbage in or around them
- We should discourage people who try to disfigure or damage them.

5. Why are Jantar Mantars considered great masterpieces?

The Jantar Mantars are considered great masterpieces because they show scientific understanding and awareness of ancient India