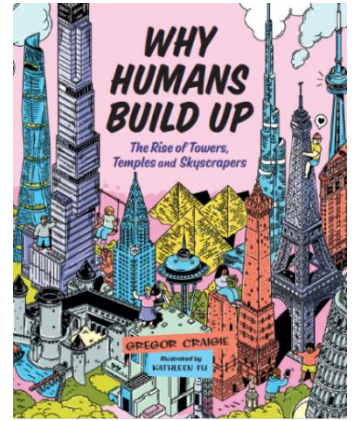




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Why Humans Build Up

Discussion Questions



1. What and where is the tallest building you have ever seen in person?

2. How many of these buildings did you know about before reading this book?

3. Do you have a favourite building in the book? One that is not in the book? Why?

4. Why do you think the author chose to name each chapter as a reason for building up?

5. Did you know any of the reasons for why humans build up before reading this book? Explain.

6. Some illustrated pages show buildings from different locations side-by-side. Why do you think this was done?

7. Would you want to visit the outside observation deck of the CN Tower or the Burj Khalifa? Why or why not?

8. Why does the Woolworth Building in New York have the nickname “Cathedral of Commerce”?

9. What are some “green technologies” used to make modern buildings better for the environment?

10. What kind of technology is used in earthquake-prone areas like Tokyo, Japan to protect buildings like the Tokyo Skytree?

