

CHAPTER – 13

A SHELTER SO HIGH

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Question Find Out:

- Check in your map. Which states would one pass through while traveling from Mumbai to Kashmir?
- Gaurav Jani passed through several states while going from Mumbai to Delhi. Find the capital cities of these states. Was there any other big town on his way?
- Is Manali a plain or a hilly area? In which state is it?

Answer:

- One would pass through the states of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana, Punjab and Himachal Pradesh while traveling from Mumbai to Kashmir.
- The states with their capitals which Gaurav Jani passed through while traveling from Mumbai to Delhi are given below.

States	Capital cities
Maharashtra	Mumbai
Gujarat	Gandhinagar
Rajasthan	Jaipur

- He might have crossed some big towns such as Surat, Ahmedabad, Jaipur on his way.

- **Disclaimer:** *The second part of the question has to be answered by a student based upon his knowledge of towns in a state. Since there are many towns in a state, the answer can vary from one student to another.*
- Manali, a hilly area, is in the state of Himachal Pradesh.

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Question Tell:

- Have you ever stayed in a tent? Where? What was it like?
- Imagine that you were to stay alone in a small tent for two days and could take with you only ten things. Make a list of those ten things.
- What are the different types of houses that you have seen? Tell your friends about it. Make drawings too.

Answer:

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Question Write:

- During winters, Tashi and his family live on the ground floor. Why would they be doing so?
- What is the roof of your house like? What all is the roof used for?

Answer:

- Tashi's house has two floors. During winters, due to snowfall, it gets too cold, which makes the first floor cooler as compared to the ground

floor. So, the family moves to the ground floor as it is warm in there. Also, the ground floor does not have any windows to let snow or cold air come in.

- The roof of my house is flat and made of bricks and cement. The roof of my house is utilised for below listed purposes.

(i) Drying chillies

(ii) Drying fruits and vegetables

(iii) Drying pickles

(iv) Enjoying cool breeze and playing games

Disclaimer: *This is a sample answer. The answer of the student can vary from this answer.*

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Question Find Out:

- At what height is the place where you live?
- Why did Gaurav Jani say – “This place is so high that it is difficult to breathe normally?”
- Have you ever been to a hilly place? Where?
- At what height was it? Did you have any difficulty in breathing there?
- Which is the highest place you have been to?

Answer:

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Question Find Out:

- You read that in Changthang the temperature drops below 0°C. Look at newspapers on the TV to find cities in India or abroad where the temperature drops below 0°C. In which months do you expect to see this?

Answer:

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Question Tell:

The houses in different parts of Jammu and Kashmir are made to suit the climate and the needs of the people there.

- Are there different types of houses in the place where you live? If yes, think about the reasons.
- Think of your own house. Is there something special in it – like a sloping roof as it rains a lot, or a courtyard where you can sleep when it is hot or where things are kept in the sun (for drying, etc.)? Make a drawing.
- What are the materials used for making your house? Is it mud, brick, stone, wood or cement?

Answer:

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Question Discuss and Write:

- Can you guess the similarities and differences in the life of Bakarwal people and the life of the Changpas?

Answer:

The lives of the Bakarwal people and the Changpas are similar in the manner that both of them rear their goats at higher altitudes.

The differences between the two are given below.

Bakarwal people	Changpas people
The people used to move to higher altitudes in summers for grazing their animals.	The people move to higher altitudes in cold climate for grazing their animals.
Their houses are made of stones and mud.	Their houses are tents made of yak's skin to keep them warm.

Question What we have learnt:

- Describe how these shelters suit the needs of the people who live there.
- How are these different from the house you live in?

Answer:

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