

A Visit to a Hill Station

A visit to a hill station is very interesting and informative. It takes one away from the scene of work and it provides real peace and rest. One is face to face with nature at hill station. In summer, a visit to a hill station is all the more rewarding. It is very hot in the month of May and June in the plains. One likes to slip away from the parched plains and spend a few days at some hill station. Last summer, I along with my cousin, Rahul, spent over two weeks at Dalhousie, a calm and beautiful hill-resort. We left for Pathankot by bus and from there we got a ride in a relative's car. As we reached Banikhet, a cool wind welcomed us. A little later, the low sky sent showers down. At once, the atmosphere became pleasant. At Dalhousie, we stayed at the Youth Hostel where we had got a room reserved. We did not stay indoors in Dalhousie. In the mornings, we set out for important places in a around Dalhousie. We visited the 'samadh' of Sardar Bhagat Singh. We also went to see the house where Subhash Chandra Bose stayed during the days of his exile. One day, we went to see Khajjiar, a beautiful place known for its scenic beauty. Next day, we drove down to Chamba and stayed there for the night. At Chamba, we saw a museum, old temples and the royal palace. We had a stroll on the banks of the river Ravi. Back at Dalhousie, we had a good time. We went out for a morning walk daily at about seven. We roamed about in the deep valleys and saw nature face to face. The sight of the floating clouds attracted us the most. It was memorable visit to Dalhousie and it made us live on for a long time ever after.