

The world's major religions, such as Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism and Sikhism have inspired people to build many great buildings. Some are shrines to the founders of the religions. Others are places of pilgrimage.

Identify these religious buildings. Write the correct letters in the circles.



Tallest Mosque



Largest Hindu Temple



Largest Synagogue



Largest Buddhist Temple



Largest Church



Largest Mosque

- a. Temple Emanu-El, New York: covered an area of 3,523 sq m. b. Angkor Wat, Cambodia: covers an area of 83,110 sq m.
- c. Masjid al Haram, Mecca, Saudi Arabia: covers an area of 82, 000 sq m.
- d. Great Hassam II Mosque, Casablanca, Morocco: 210 m tall.
- e. Borobudur, Java, Indonesia: covers an area of 60,000 sq m. f. St Peter's basilica, Vatican City 21,095 sq.m

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The world's tallest church is Chicago Methodist Temple, USA. It is 173 m high. It was built in 1924.

25 STRANGE BUILDINGS

Read the description of some strange buildings around the world. Write their names using Help Box.

- 1. Designed by Santiago Calatrava, it is the tallest residential building in Sweden. From the bottom to the top, the building twists a full 90 degrees. IURNING TOR50
- 2. This aquatic structure, colloquially referred to as 'the fish building'. Impressive enough in the daylight, at night, blue spot light shine on the building, creating the illusion that the fish is swimming through the city. it is the headquarter for the NATIONAL FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT BOARD
- 3. Designed by Austrian architect Franz Janz, This institution displays the largest collection of Azerbaijani carpets, show casing both historical and modern weaving techniques. <u>AZER BAIJAN</u> NATIONAL CARPET MUSEUM
- 4. One of the tallest buildings in the city, this has been certified by Guinness Book of World Records as the "World's furthest leaning man-made tower". The building leans 18 degrees, four times more than the Leaning Tower of Pisa. <u>CAPITAL GATE</u>
- 5. Build in 2004, the building was designed by architects Szotynscy & Zaleski, who were inspired by Jan Szancer's children's book illustrations. Standing at 4000 square feet, inside you'll find shops, office spaces and the restaurant. <u>CROOKED</u> HOUSE
- 6. Visionary architect Dr. David Fisher is the creator of this world's first building in motion-the revolutionary dynamic tower. It adjusts itself to the sun, wind, weather and views by rotating each floor separately. ROTATING TOWER

Know More

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Capital Gate,4 Turning Torso, Cubic Houses, Palace of the Parliament, Rotating Tower, <u>6</u> Antilia

