Paris' Grand Palais

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Vocabulary

Fair: a gathering of stalls and amusements for public entertainment.

Undertook: commit oneself to and begin (an enterprise or responsibility); take on.

Recognizable: able to be recognized or identified from previous encounters or knowledge.

Belle Epoque: the period of settled and comfortable life preceding the First World War.

Extravaganzas: an elaborate and spectacular entertainment or production.

Restored: repair or renovate (a building, work of art, etc.) so as to return it to its original condition.

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Introduction

Paris' Grand Palais (Great Palace) was built for the World Fair of 1900. The building is best known for its enormous glass roof. It is home to a science museum, the Palais de la Découverte.

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