

**SOCIAL STUDIES**

**4. THE WESTERN DESERT**

**GRADE: IV**

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**I. Answer the following**

**1. Describe the climate of the Thar Desert.**

* **The Thar Desert experiences hot and dry climate throughout the year.**
* **There is very little or no rainfall.**
* **During summer, the days are hot and nights are cool.**
* **In winter, the days are warm and nights are cold.**

**2. Why do villages in the desert region grow up around oases?**

**Oases have water and fertile land suitable for farming. Hence villages in the desert region grow up around oases.**

**3. Why is Indira Gandhi Canal important for the people of the region?**

**The Indira Gandhi Canal is important for the people of the region because it carries water from River Satluj to the Thar Desert for domestic use and irrigation.**

**4. Why do houses in Rajasthan have thick walls?**

**The houses in Rajasthan have thick walls to keep the heat out ,so that the houses remain cool.**

**5. Why is rice not grown in this region?**

**Rice plants require plenty of water to grow. Water is scarce in the desert.**

**Thus, rice is not grown in this region.**