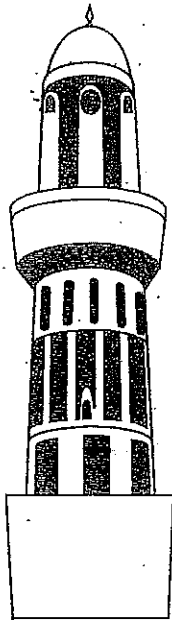


## Critical Thinking Questions on the Mosque

**Directions:** After discussing each transparency as a class, read and discuss the following critical thinking questions in your small group. Appoint a Presenter to tell the rest of the class about your group's answer. Rotate the role of Presenter after each transparency.

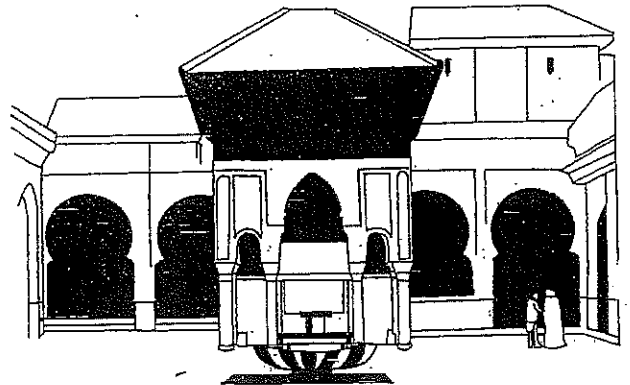
**Critical Thinking Question A:** This is a minaret.

Given the design of the minaret, what do you think is its purpose?

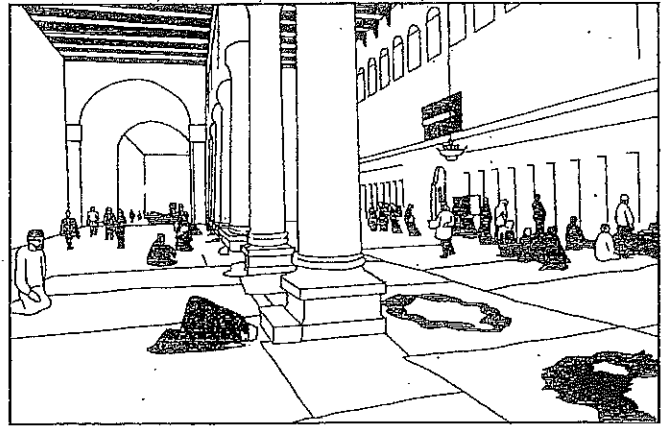


**Critical Thinking Question B:** This is the *sahn* (open courtyard).

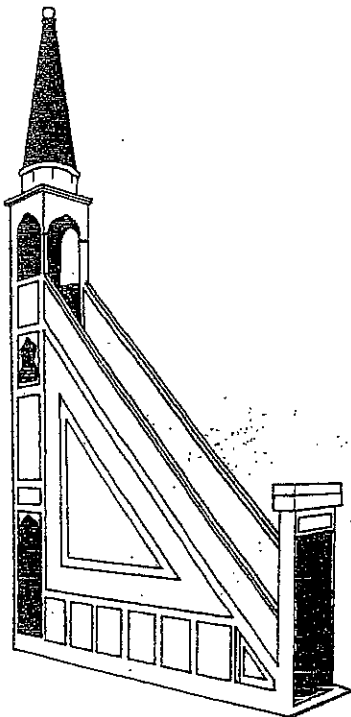
What purpose do you think they serve?



Critical Thinking Question C: This is a prayer hall. What does the design of this hall reveal (tell us) about how Muslims pray?



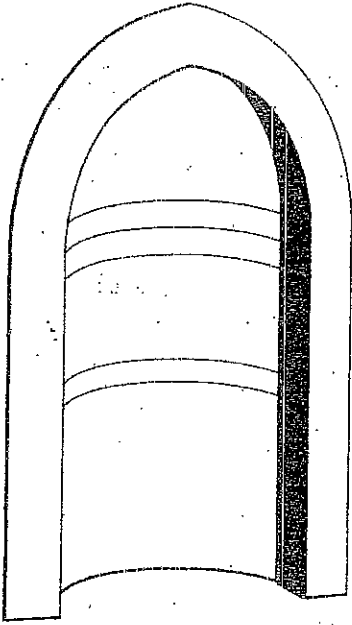
Critical Thinking Question D: This is a *minbar*. What do you think is its purpose?



Critical Thinking Question E: This is a mihrab.

do you think is its purpose?

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Critical Thinking Question F: This is a dome of a mosque. What might be the practical and spiritual reasons for using such domes?

