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Imagine walking by a huge building with all sorts of plants and vines. You would probably think that it was weird.

This building was built for the wife of King Nebuchadnezzar II, to make her happy. The Hanging Gardens of Babylon is very interesting and maybe a little bit weird. The Hanging Gardens of Babylon is one part of the amazing Seven Wonders of the World.

The gardens were built by the Assyrians. Instead of calling it the Hanging Gardens of Babylon, they called it "New Babylon". The gardens were built in 605 BC. No one really knew where the gardens were located. But Dr. Stephanie Dalley thinks she found the location in the city of Ninevah. There are also more interesting facts about the gardens.

Here is a fun fact:

A Babylonian priest known as Berossus, was one of the ancient writers who wrote about the Hanging Gardens of Babylon around 290 B.C. He wrote of very high walkways, supported by stone pillars, plants and trees resembling a mountainous country; built to please a queen. (As stated in Fun Facts for Kids.)

Footnotes:

1) Carole D. Bos, J.D., The Hanging Gardens of Babylon, <https://www.awesomestories.com>, Oct/07/2013, May/31/2017, <https://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Hanging-Gardens-of-Babylon>

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