An unique international venture has recently culminated in the rescue of the temples of Abu Simbel from the rising waters of the Nile, behind the new Aswan High Dam. Rameses II built Abu Simbel 3,300 years ago. Until 1813 the temples were buried beneath the sand. They emerged to become an archeological and artistic marvel of ancient Nubia. To lift this vast structure to a new resting place (and to rescue many other Nubian treasures threatened with inundation) needed an international effort. The programme shows how UNESCO helped mobilize the resources to do the job.

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