

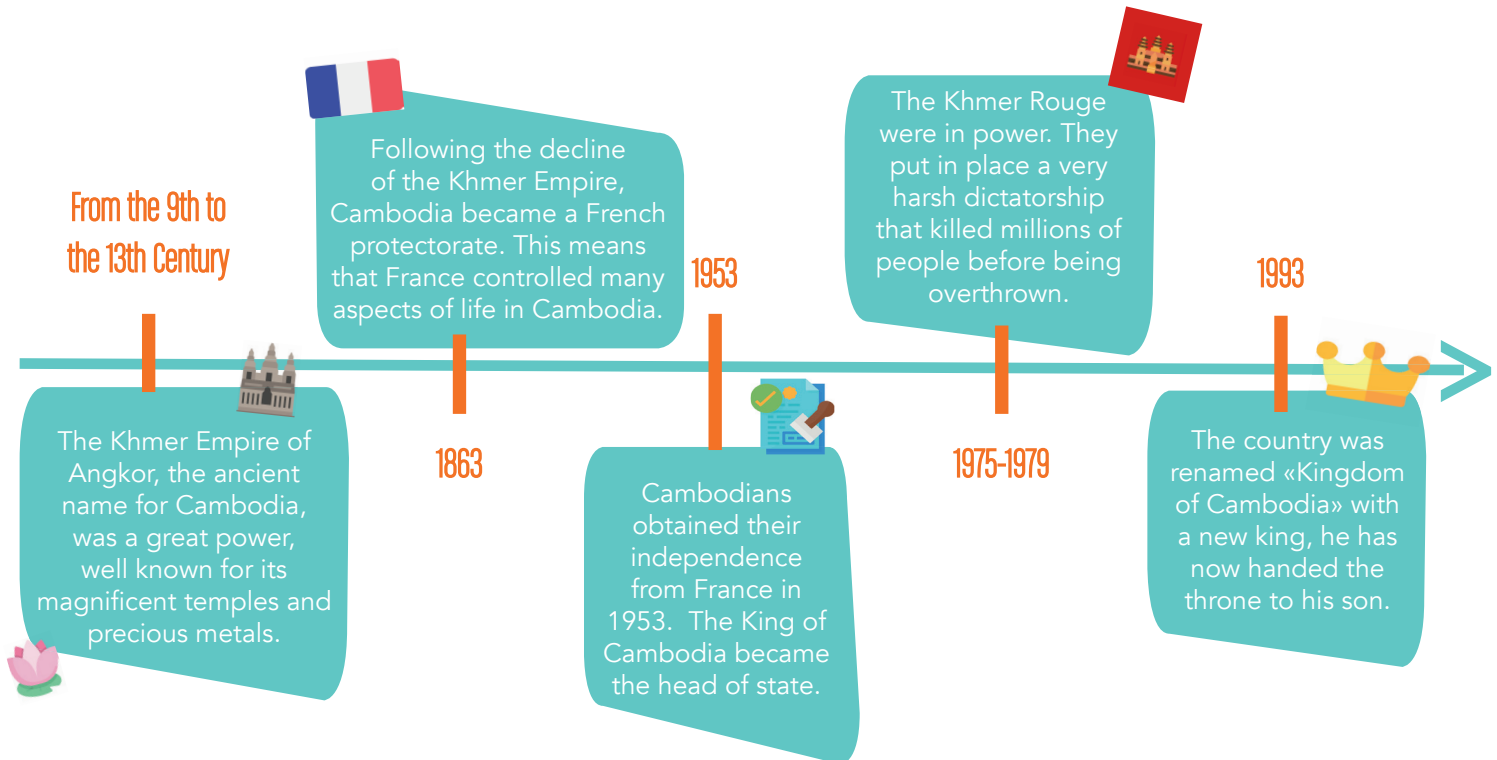


This is Chenda!

Discovering solidarity with the NGO PSE For a Child's Smile!



Discovering Cambodia



Find out more about the geography of Cambodia in our next issue!



Learn more about PSE For a Child's Smile

The opening of the first school



Soon after beginning their actions to help the children, Christian and Marie-France des Pallières, the founders of PSE, decided to set up a school because education helps children escape poverty.

They bought land to build a school, but they faced a really big and unexpected problem: there was no water to be found! The workers dug and dug, and there was none. Finally, the day before the start of the new school year, they reached 120 feet (40 metres) below ground level and found water! Imagine the relief Christian and Marie-France felt when they realised they

could welcome the first 250 children - in good conditions. What an adventure for this first school year!



Did you know ?

The name of the little girl on our logo is Chenda. Christian and Marie-France met Chenda 25 years ago at the dumpsite. They liked her smile so much that they decided to make it the logo of the association. Today, thanks to PSE, she is a salesperson and has even become a mother!

In the next issue you will learn how Christian and Marie-France started a special school for children who had fallen behind.



School life in pictures

Can you find the 7 differences between these two photos ?



The buildings you see in the photo are of the boarding school. Children who attend school at PSE but live too far away can live at the school. Others live there because they are not safe at home. Their parents have great difficulty raising them in the right environment, so PSE hosts them to make sure they are safe and can grow up in a peaceful environment.



Questions & Answers

What is an association?

An association is when at least two people choose to come together to develop a common project. Anyone is able to set up an association, it is even enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights!



There are associations in almost all areas: culture, sport, art, the environment and to defend the rights of children, women and men.

An association is necessarily a "non-profit" which means that the objective of those who create it is not to keep money they earn for themselves. It works with the help of volunteers who give their time for free to allow their project to develop. PSE has more than 300 volunteers.



PSE is an association that aims to help poor children go to school and teach them a trade. At PSE, children also receive meals and healthcare. They can also participate in extracurricular activities.



Give smiles to children in Cambodia

Solidarity actions to help PSE

Ten classes of 6th graders from La Perverie College in Nantes participated in their own Olympics games and afterwards held a cake sale for the benefit of PSE. Thank you to our young students for their participation in this solidarity event!

Every action counts, and all help is appreciated. You too can also help us in other ways : in each issue we will suggest a project you can do alone, with your friends, or with your class. Also, send us your ideas of actions, including some pictures. We will showcase your action in one of our upcoming newsletter !

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