

I believe that Siddhartha left the palace to seek answers to the “pain of existence” because he felt like his life was not fulfilling. There was no thrills for him to explore in the palace.

It was very hard for Siddhartha to leave his family. His father wanted him to carry on the legacy and become king. In order for him to find his everlasting bliss he would have to face some of the disparities.

The “middle way” of peace and harmony was experiencing the pain and suffering which stretched his boundaries of his mind.

1. What events led Siddhartha to leave the palace and seek answers to the "pain of existence"?
2. What challenges did he face in his quest to find enlightenment?
3. Describe "the Middle Way" of peace and harmony he sought