

Name _____

Teaching Ideas

1. What style house do you live in? Take a photograph of your house and explain its style and decorative details.
2. Survey your neighborhood and describe the styles of houses.
3. Find houses that illustrate each style described in the video. Make a sketch or photograph of each house and assemble them into a stylebook. Point out the clues that help identify each style.
4. Prepare an illustrated report on a style of American housing NOT mentioned in the video. Possible styles include Neo-gothic, Beaux Arts, Art Moderne, Stick, Shingle, Chateausque, Richardsonian Romanesque, Second Empire, Italianate, or Post-modern.
5. Prepare a detailed report on any one style mentioned in the video. Include sketches or photographs of local houses that illustrate this style.
6. Conduct an architectural scavenger hunt. Form teams assigned to find examples of as many items on the list as possible. Each team should have at least one camera (photo, instant, or video) to record proof of success. The winning team is the one which finds the most examples in the given time limit. Note that one picture can contain more than one item on the list. A suggested list appears on a separate page in this guide. A few of the items on the list were not mentioned in the video so will require additional research.