

# ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY: LIBRARY ASSIGNMENT FALL 2009

## STUDENT LEARNING OBJECTIVES FOR THE ASSIGNMENT

- Familiarize students with the questions and concepts used to describe, analyze and critique architectural works.
- Introduce students to some of the Library's standard reference and online information sources in the field of architecture.
- Review and reinforce the importance of employing acceptable grammar/style.
- Review and reinforce the importance of academic integrity and citing sources.

## THE ASSIGNMENT

1. Download and save this worksheet. **You must type the answers to the questions and print out a final copy to hand in**
2. Choose a **famous** building or structure constructed **before 1899**. Consult Ms. Carlson's "List of Buildings Through History" handout.
3. **At a MINIMUM**, find the following:
  - a. A drawing of the floor plan. (smaller buildings should have two plans)
  - b. A picture, drawing and/or photograph of the exterior of the building
  - c. Written information including a **library resource** and at least one other source: either from another book (not your textbook!), library resource, or something from the Internet.
  - d. Photocopy all of the above and staple all research to this worksheet**
4. Choose your building carefully.
  - a. Many excellent drawings, photographs, and floor plans etc. are available in **A History of Architecture** by Sir Bannister Fletcher. This book is **ON RESERVE** at the Hinkle Library as are other books.
5. **Use at least 1 resource from the Hinkle Library's collection to answer the questions on the worksheet.** Refer to the handout "Architectural History Sources in the Hinkle Library."
6. Use MLA citation style to cite the sources used (see examples, last page)

## GRADING RUBRIC

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| √+        | <b>Outstanding!</b> All relevant questions answered using sentences (where applicable) with standard grammar/style; all images & photocopies attached to answered questions; at least 1 library source used; <b>all sources used</b> in project appear on Works Cited List in proper MLA format; Questions and answers submitted in printed form (not handwritten). |
| √         | <b>Good.</b> All relevant questions answered, images provided; at least 1 library source used and cited; <i>acceptable grammar/style; some MLA citation errors</i>  |
| √-        | <b>Needs Improvement.</b> Images provided but <i>not all questions answered; poorly written answers; no library resource used and/or cited; many citation errors</i>  |
| <b>NA</b> | <b>Not acceptable.</b> More than 3 questions missing, and/or images not provided, and/or illegible answers and/or no resources cited  |

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date Due \_\_\_\_\_ Class Time \_\_\_\_\_

Building \_\_\_\_\_ Date Due \_\_\_\_\_

Librarian who spoke to your class (circle one) Barbara Greil Jane Vavala

Answer questions 1 and 2 as brief answers.

Answer questions 3-8 in FULL SENTENCES that are composed in your own words

1. **What building did you choose?**
2. **WHERE is it specifically located?**
3. **WHO designed AND/OR commissioned the building?**
4. **WHEN was the building designed, built or commissioned? Rebuilt?**
5. **WHAT materials were used to construct this building?**  
  
Note that <http://www.greatbuildings.com> often includes this type of information for very famous buildings.
6. **WHAT was the building's original function? What is its function now? Does the building represent a particular architectural style?**
7. **DESCRIBE the building's environment or context (that is, what does the area look like that is surrounding the building).**
8. **WHY is the building architecturally and historically significant? (These two answers are almost always in the articles you find...you will just have to read them!)**
9. **Create a "List of Works Cited" using MLA CITATION STYLE for every source used to answer the above questions. This includes photos and drawings! Follow the formatting used in the MLA Examples attached to this worksheet.**

Remember, at least 1 item MUST be from a Library resource.

## Selected MLA Examples

For more examples:

- Under "Find Research Help" link to "MLA & APA Citation Styles" on library web page
- Consult the newest [MLA Handbook](#) ON RESERVE in the Library
- Consult the [Diana Hacker MLA website](#). **Examples for the new 2009 changes in MLA format** at [http://image.mail.bfwpub.com/lib/feed1c737d6c03/m/1/Hacker\\_MLA2009Update.pdf](http://image.mail.bfwpub.com/lib/feed1c737d6c03/m/1/Hacker_MLA2009Update.pdf)

### General Guidelines:

- Citations are double spaced; second lines are indented 5 spaces (tab in once)
- **MLA now requires the medium of publication in all works cited (either Print, Web, Film etc.) See examples below**

#### Book: one author

Toker, Franklin. *Fallingwater Rising: Frank Lloyd Wright, E.J. Kauffman, and America's Most Extraordinary House*. New York: A.A. Knopf, 2003. Print.

**Book: two authors** Kuhl, Isabel and Kristina Lewis.

**Book: three authors** Kuhl, Isabel, Kristina Lewis, and Sabine Thiel-Siling.

#### Book with editor

Norwich, John Julius, ed. *Great Architecture of the World*. New York: Da Capo Press, 1991. Print.

**Book: two editors** Frampton, Kenneth and David Larkin, eds.

#### Magazine article from a library database

Navailles, Jean-Pierre. "Eiffel's Tower." *History Today* Dec. 1989: 38.  
*ProQuest*. Web. 14 Sep. 2009.

#### Journal article from a library database

Crawley, A. "Building Renaissance Venice: Patrons, Architects and Builders, c. 1430-1500." *The Sixteenth Century Journal* 39.4 (2008): 1240. *ProQuest*. Web. 14 Sep. 2009.

#### Newspaper article from a library database

Doherty, William. "Taj Mahal Minaret Reportedly Tilting" *Chicago Tribune* 21 Oct. 2004: B7.  
*Lexis-Nexis*. Web. 14 Sep. 2009.

#### Article from a reference book (signed)

Jay, Robert. "Gustave Eiffel." *Dictionary of Art*. Ed. Jane Turner. 36 vols. New York: Macmillan, 1996. Print.

**Article from a reference book (unsigned)**

"Hagia Sophia." Sir Banister Fletcher's A History of Architecture. Oxford ; Boston: Architectural Press, 1996. 303 - 307. Print.

Page numbers are needed ONLY if the book is NOT arranged alphabetically.

**Wikipedia** (see link "Cite this page" in the "tool box" on left side of screen)

"Eiffel Tower." *Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia*. 11 Sep 2009, 20:40 UTC. Web. 11 Sep 2009.  
< [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eiffel\\_Tower](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eiffel_Tower)>.

**Great Buildings Online**

"Eiffel Tower." *Great Buildings Online*. Kevin Matthews and Artifice.Inc., 1994 – 2008. Web.  
14 Sep. 2009. < [http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Eiffel\\_Tower.html](http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Eiffel_Tower.html)>.

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