

Essay 3
Architectural Model, Diagram or Essay

Working in a small group composed of two or three students, design a diagram, or create a model, of an important architectural project from the Renaissance or the Age of Enlightenment. On models and diagrams, be sure to make note of important architectural features and engineering feats. Be creative! A model doesn't have to be boring, two-dimensional, or on 8 ½" X 11" paper, and a model does not have to be tangible. :0) Share your group's diagram or model during class, and submit a photograph (or other record of your creation) with the names of contributing classmates.

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Discuss an important architectural project from the Renaissance or the Age of Enlightenment explaining important architectural features and elements of engineering. Consider the style that the building was made in, and reflect on the important concerns of the age and other elements of historical context that influenced the building's construction and design. What concerns did the architect have to consider in the planning and development of the building?