



Camp Ah-Ha

Tech - Tuesday: Architecture

Did you know that your house is part of technology?

Who: You and your family

What:

- Did you ever think about the type of house you live in? Is it two stories or one story? Is it made of brick or wood or stone? Do you have a porch?
- Houses are a great way to look at history AND technology! As technology changes so do what our houses look like.
- Native Americans who lived in Ohio hundreds of years ago built wigwams like this one:



- Remember, a lot of Ohio before European/Americans settled was forest. So, the Woodland Indians used what they had around them to create their homes. Bent saplings and bark helped create homes.
- When the first European/American settlers came in, they also used what they found around them and created log homes like this one:



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- How does the log home look different from the wigwam? Both are made from the trees around them, but they do look different. In the log home that we have at Heritage Sylvania above you can see glass windows. These would have been shipped into this area once settlers began moving in.
- Transportation like steamboats, canal boats and later the railroad helped bring building supplies into the area. This allowed different types of homes to be built.
- The Lathrop House was built just about ten years after our log home was.



- It looks a lot different! What do you see is different about this house from the log home? Notice the pointed roof and

the shutters? Can you see the skinny windows on either side of the door? And the wooden decoration above the door? Those were all common features of this type of house.

- Finally, Dr. Cooke's Home was built in the early 1900s.



- This photo is from 1905. Dr. Cooke ordered parts of his house from a mail order catalogue! He could get the porch lights and the wood trim on the windows at the top of the house from a company called Sears. He ordered it from a catalogue, and it was sent to him on the train. Inside his house, he purchased a fireplace, and staircase the same way! Technology changes let him create a very different house than Mr. Lathrop. Look at the large porch and the way the second-floor windows are tucked under the roof.
- Houses continue to change. In the 1940s and 1950s there were even metal homes made by a company called Lustron. You can still see Lustron homes around today:



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How:

- We have created an Architecture Bingo Game and Scavenger Hunt for your next outside walk or bike ride.
- Print off the attached bingo cards. There are four different ones so each family member can have a different card.
- On your next walk around your neighborhood or bike ride, take a look at the houses in your area.
- Mark off when you see one of the items listed on the bingo card. If you get all of them marked off in a row or column or diagonally you get Bingo!
- Have fun and take a different look at the houses in your community!

Bingo Card ID 005

Heritage Sylvania
Architecture Scavenger Hunt

Stone house	Front Steps	Brick house	One story
Pointed roof	Colorful front door	Flower pots	Shutters by windows
Six windows or more	Front Porch	Metal railing on porch or steps	Ranch House
Windows next to front door	Pillars	Two Stories	Wood siding

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Bingo Card ID 006

Heritage Sylvania
Architecture Scavenger Hunt

Stone house	Flower pots	Front Porch	Metal railing on porch or steps
One story	Two Stories	Windows next to front door	Brick house
Six windows or more	Wood siding	Pointed roof	Front Steps
Ranch House	Shutters by windows	Colorful front door	Pillars

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Heritage Sylvania
Architecture Scavenger Hunt

Windows next to front door	Ranch House	Six windows or more	Metal railing on porch or steps
Flower pots	One story	Two Stories	Colorful front door
Pillars	Brick house	Pointed roof	Wood siding
Stone house	Front Porch	Front Steps	Shutters by windows

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