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Architecture - meanings

- Science of designing
- •Professional services of an architect
- •A general term describing buildings
- •A style and a method of designing and constructing



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Ancient Architecture

• Reflection of devine and supernatural (Egypt, Mesopotamia)

• Preference of civic ideals to religious (Ancient Greece, Rome



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Asian Architecture

- Different development than in Europe
- Emphasis on natural landscape due to pantheistic religion
- Different architecture kinds: Buddist, Hindu, Sikh



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Islamic Architecture

- It began in 7 century CE (Common Era)
- Use of a architecture mixture from the Ancient Middle East and Byzantium



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Medieval Architecture

•Craftsmen formed guilds to organize their trade mainly related to ecclesiastical buildings

• Building were not attributed to specific individuals

•The names of architects remain frequently unknown



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Renaissance Architecture

- Emphasis on the individual and humanity
- Buildings were ascribed to the specific architects (Michelangelo, Alberti)
- No division between architect, artist and engineer



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Early Modern and the Industrial Age

- Separation of architecture and engineering
- Rise of new materials and technology

•Rise of a so-called gentleman architect (dealt only with wealthy clients)

•Industrial revolution – an emphasis on mass production and consumption

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Modernism

- Beauty in simplicity in constructing was pointed out
- Rise of the profession of industrial design
- •Bauhaus school (Mies van der Rohe, Marcel Breuer)



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Architecture Today

- Architecture requires a team of specialist professionals
- Separation of a design architect from a project architect
- Focus on architectural sustainability



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