Consumer & Life Studies

Brunswick School Department Housing Designs

House Construction, Space Planning and Landscaping

Essential Understandings	 The structures of houses have common parts with symbols to indicate the details. Doors and windows come in a variety of designs. Floor plans must be functional. Landscaping can extend and enhance social space.
Essential Questions	 What are the essential parts of the structure of a house? What are blueprint symbols? What are the various kinds of doors and windows commonly used in our current housing? What are some basic rules and requirements for the space needs in bedrooms and floor plans? What are the elements of a house's natural environment? How can a site be landscaped? What floor plan might provide for the student's future needs?
Essential Knowledge	 The parts of a house's structure have names. House plans have common "blueprint" symbols. Doors and windows came in a variety of styles depending on their use and the desired appearance. There are certain minimum requirements for spaces in a bedroom and throughout the house to facilitate safety, traffic patterns and function. The natural environment should be considered when selecting a home or building site. House sites can be landscaped to satisfy an individual's personal wants and needs. Horticulture provides practical information about appropriate plantings according to climate zones. Floor plans must be suited to individual needs and wants.
Vocabulary	 Terms: ridge, rafter, joist, rough board, siding, stud, sheet rock, header, sole plate, beam, foundation, footing etc. blueprint symbols, panel, screen, louvered, jalousie doors etc., double hung, casement, paladin, gliding sash windows etc. Wind break, site, cross ventilation, orientation, site, landscaping, horticulture
Essential Skills	 Identify and label the parts of a house structure. Identify blue print symbols. Distinguish among and label 8-10 types of windows and doors. Evaluate space needs and requirements of problem floor plans. Illustrate the meanings of a house's natural environment. Apply the understanding of space and function to the personal selection and drawing of a complete house floor plan.

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Maine Learning	B2.Skills for Individual/Personal Success in the 21 st Century
Results	Students develop strategies to improve skills that lead to lifelong
Results	learning and success in the classroom, and the achievement of
	schoolwork, work and career, and personal life goals.
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	 Take a quiz to match building structure terms with numbered parts of a wooden model of a house
0	 Use the text book as a resource to identify the blue print symbols.
Sample	 Have a contest to identify 12 types of wood
Lessons	Label a variety of door and window types, distinguishing the key
And	differences, and memorize them for a quiz
Activities	 Draw out furnishings and traffic patterns for 3 problem floor plans
	 Make a photo booklet to illustrate natural environment terms
	 Design a site plan to landscape including a list of features
	 Internet research of horticulture info that applies to plantings/zoning
	 Select and complete a full to-scale drawing on graph paper of their
	projected "dream house" floor plan
Sample	 Quizzes over terms, blue print symbols
Classroom	 Completed problem floor plans
Assessment	 Photo booklet of terms, definitions, illustrations
Methods	 Completed worksheets from internet search
	Completed dream floor plan
Sample	Publications:
Resources	 Homes Today and Tomorrow, Glencoe and accompanying
	workbook