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Details Make the Difference

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Details make a difference! Architects are the people who design buildings. Other skilled craftspeople, such as carpenters, plasterers or drywallers, plumbers, electricians, and bricklayers turn the designs into reality by building the structure. Your home has details that these skilled workers made when they built the building you live in. Depending on the age of the building you live in, these touches may look sleek and modern or detailed and old. Discover the details you may have never noticed before, in your home.

DO:

- **Tour** your own home and use the “My Details” sheet to sketch the details you find, or if you are able, take pictures of them.
- **Design** your perfect inside space. Sketch or write your ideas on the “My Space” sheet. Use the details you found for inspiration about how your space would look and work. Would it be your dream bedroom, a place to play video games, a secret fort?
- **Make** a shoebox diorama (a mini– model) to show what the space would look like. Use craft supplies to complete your diorama.

Approx. Time: 30—45 minutes

Materials:

- ⇒ My Details/My Space Sheet
- ⇒ Pencil/Pen
- ⇒ Shoe box or other box
- ⇒ Craft Supplies, construction paper, glue/tape, pipe cleaners.
- ⇒ Markers, crayons, or colored pencils

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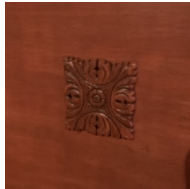
- **Give** a tour of your diorama of your perfect space to a family member.
- **Post** pictures of your diorama on social media with the hashtag #CHMatHomeFamilies.



Picture captionDetail view of wall decorations inside the Auditorium Building by Adler and Sullivan. HB31105 – J

My Details

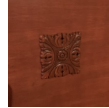
Look around your home for details that the designers added. Draw them in the boxes below. Think about things like handles, door knobs, metal work, wood work, paint texture/color or anything!



Details from your home!

My Space

Write and or draw your ideas for your perfect space.



My space is: _____

Some features of my space is: _____

Some of the decorations in my space include: _____

