

Architectural History Essentials

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1. Which structural element, characteristic of Gothic architecture, allowed for higher walls and larger stained glass windows by transferring lateral forces outward?

- A) Flying buttress
- B) Barrel vault
- C) Corbel arch
- D) Pendentive

2. The Pantheon in Rome features a large circular opening at the apex of its massive concrete dome. What is this opening called?

- A) Lantern
- B) Oculus
- C) Clerestory
- D) Spire

3. Who engineered the revolutionary brick dome of the Florence Cathedral (Santa Maria del Fiore), completed in the 15th century?

- A) Michelangelo
- B) Filippo Brunelleschi
- C) Gian Lorenzo Bernini
- D) Leon Battista Alberti

4. Which classical Greek architectural order is characterized by plain, unadorned capitals and column shafts that rest directly on the temple floor without a base?

- A) Doric
- B) Ionic
- C) Corinthian
- D) Composite