

Architecture History and Landmarks

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1. What is the primary structural purpose of a flying buttress in Gothic architecture?

- A) To support interior vaulted ceilings by resisting lateral thrust
- B) To collect rainwater from the roof
- C) To hold decorative glass panels
- D) To anchor the foundation during earthquakes

2. Which German school of design and architecture, operational from 1919 to 1933, was founded by Walter Gropius?

- A) De Stijl
- B) Bauhaus
- C) Secession
- D) Constructivism

3. Which classical architectural order is distinguished by capital ornamentations styled after acanthus leaves?

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

4. Who designed the famous octagonal brick dome for the Florence Cathedral (Santa Maria del Fiore)?

- A) Michelangelo
- B) Donatello
- C) Filippo Brunelleschi
- D) Gian Lorenzo Bernini

5. Which Spanish architect designed the unfinished masterpiece basilica known as the Sagrada Família in Barcelona?

- A) Antoni Gaudí
- B) Santiago Calatrava
- C) Mies van der Rohe
- D) César Pelli

6. Which Danish architect won the international design competition for the Sydney Opera House in 1957?

- A) Alvar Aalto
- B) Jørn Utzon
- C) Arne Jacobsen
- D) Eero Saarinen

7. The architectural term 'Brutalism' originates from the French phrase 'béton brut,' which translates to what?

- A) Heavy stone
- B) Raw concrete
- C) Brutal structure
- D) Exposed steel