



Parthenon

Architects:

Ictinius, Callicrates

Completed: 432 B.C.



Sagrada Familia

Architect:

Antoni Gaudi

Estimated: 2026



St Paul's Cathedral

Architect:

Christopher Wren

Completed: 1710

KEY VOCABULARY

Architecture

The art of **designing buildings**

Architect

A person **who designs buildings**

Design

Planning and drawing how a building is going to look

Pillar or Column

A tall, straight part of a building that is sometimes decorated, often **holds up another part** of the building

Tower

A **tall narrow building** or part of a building

Dome

A **rounded roof** of a building with a circle-shaped base

Materials

What a building **is made of** e.g. stone, brick, cement, steel

Symmetrical

Where the parts of an object, including a building **look exactly the same** on both sides, a mirror image

Asymmetrical

Where the parts of an object, including a building **do not look the same** on both sides

In relief

Where sculptures **stick out** from a flat surface, rather than being made all the way around

In the round

Where sculptures **are carved or built** all around, from front to back

Frieze

A **band of relief sculptures** or painting on a wall, often near the top

Mosaic

A picture or a pattern made by putting **small pieces of stone, glass or tile** together. Sometimes these decorate a floor