

# Floor Plan

Architects make floor plans of new buildings when they design them. People also make floor plans of old buildings to document how the building looks at a specific point in time. Floor plans can be very basic, showing just the shape and size of each room, or they can be quite detailed, including doorways, windows, electric outlets, plumbing fixtures, etc.

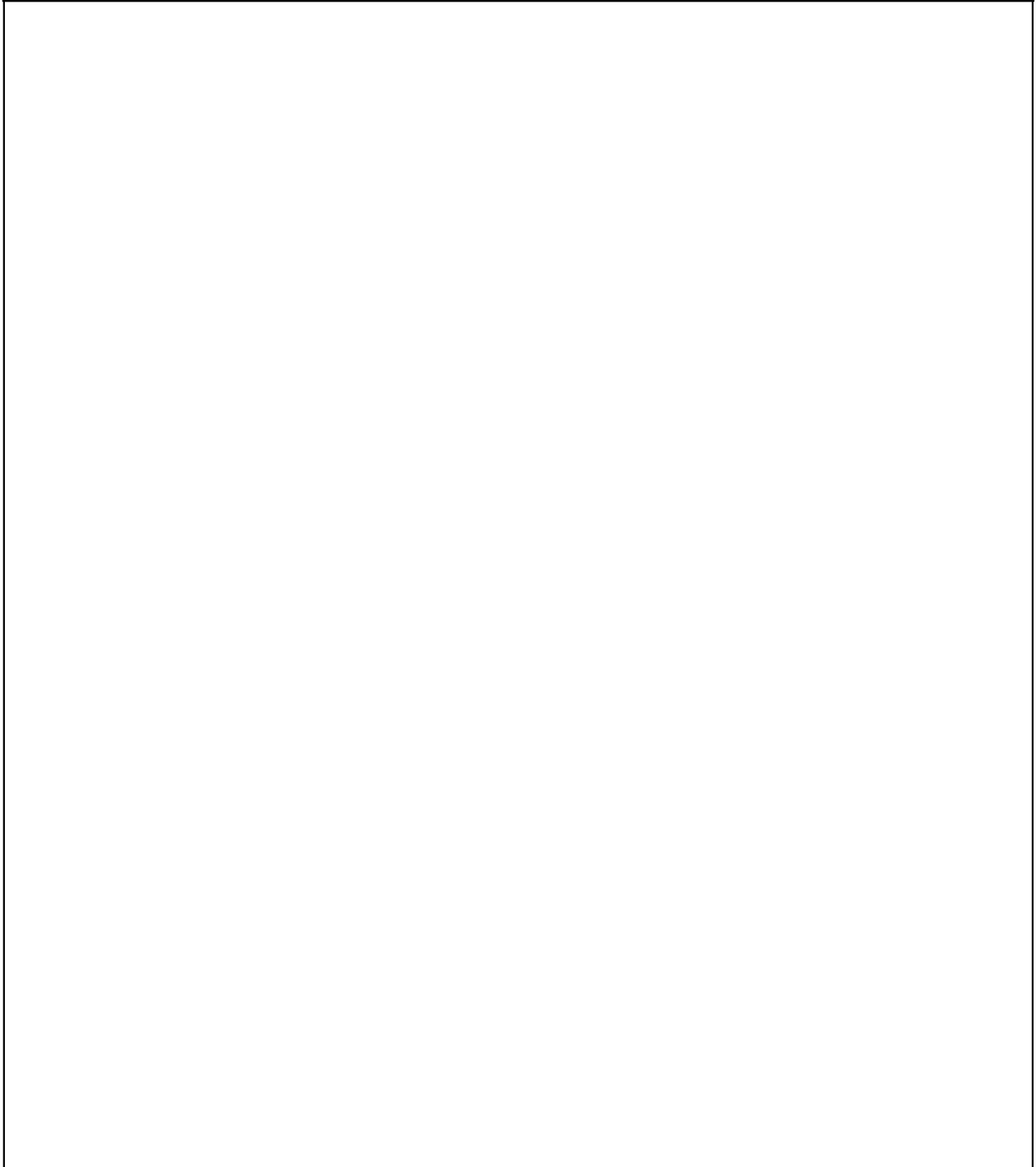
They also tell us about how the spaces in the house are used. Is more space in the house taken up by the bedrooms or the kitchen? Does the house have multiple bathrooms? New houses are built with today's technology in mind and include many outlets and jacks for telephones, computers, and television cables. How does this differ from older homes?

Have students draw floor plans of their homes. Younger students can draw simple shapes free hand on the following worksheet, labeling each room. Older students can try making measured drawings on the graph and include more detail.



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Draw a floor plan for your home. Write the name of each room.

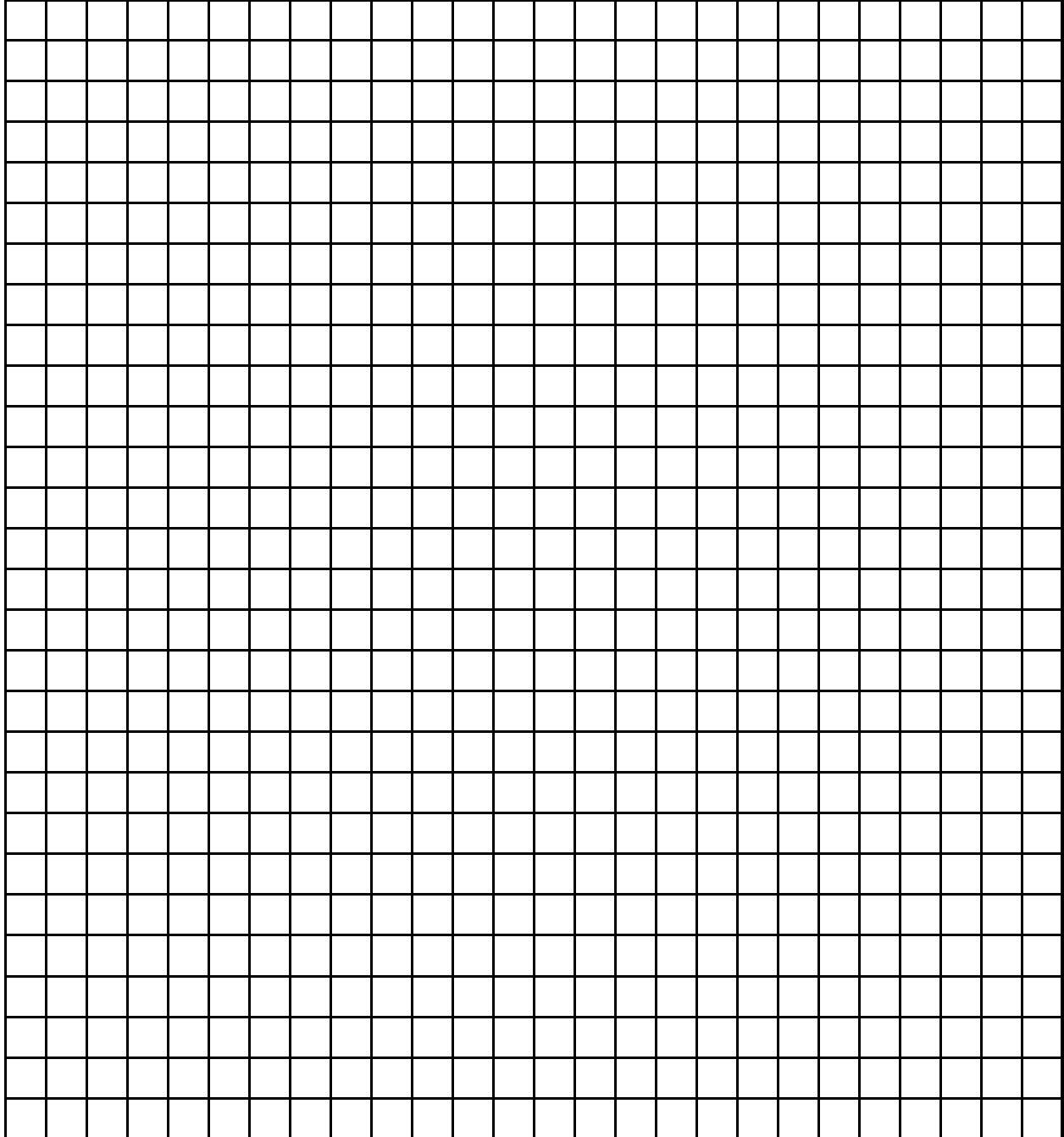


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Working on the scale of 1 square = 1 foot, measure the rooms of your home and draw a floor plan.



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