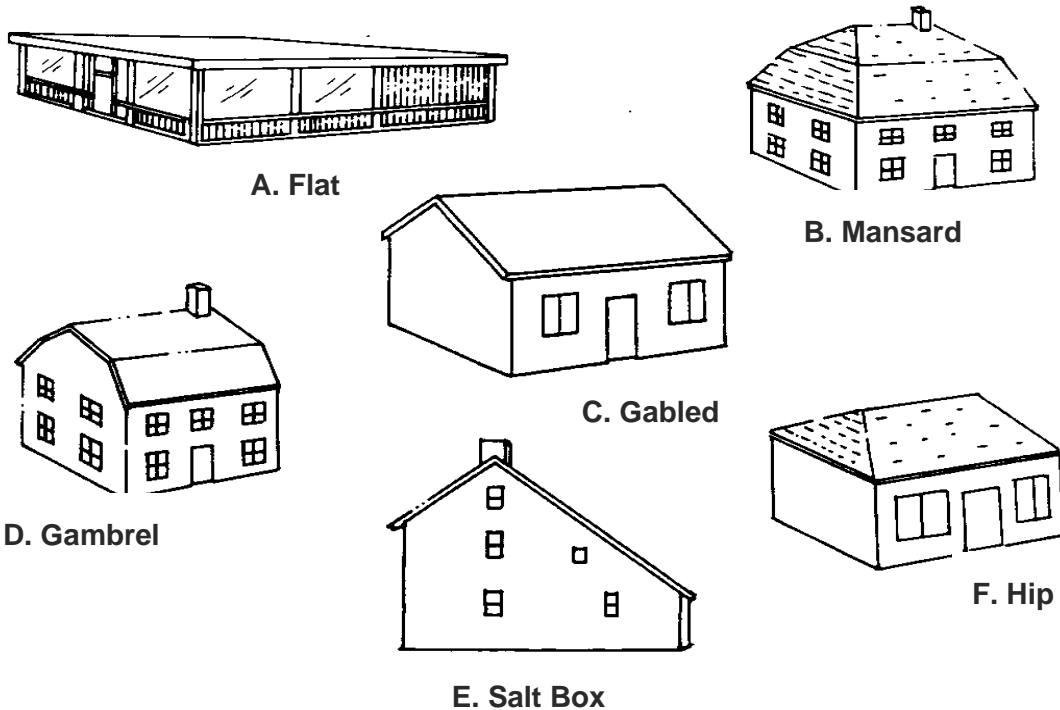


History of Doors and Quick History of Window Glass Handout

A specific architectural style is characterized by a collection of design details. These details include size and shape of windows, the size and placement of a porch, and the presence or absence of columns.

Roof Styles

One of the design details that is usually considered a major characteristic of a housing style is the roof. The illustrations below show several distinct roof styles.



Flat - Flat roofs are horizontal, or very near it. They have very little slope when compared to roofs on a home or residential building.

Mansard - a style of hip roof that has four sloping sides, each of which becomes steeper halfway down.

Gable - This is also a simple roof and the one most commonly used. It has two slopes meeting at the center or ridge and forming a gable.

Gambrel - This type of roof occurs when the rafters rise to meet a flat surface or "deck" instead of coming together at the ridge

Salt Box - a long, pitched **roof** that slopes down to the back, creating a one story in the back and two stories in the front.

Hip - This roof consists of four sides, all-sloping toward the center of the building. The corner rafters run up diagonally to meet the ridge.