

PHILISTINE HOUSE

Questions Explored in this Module

What did an ancient house look like?
How were the rooms arranged in ancient homes?

Archaeology Word Wall

Threshold: The area at the bottom of a doorway that you walk across to enter the room. In ancient homes these are often times stone.

Installation: This word is used to define something that was built in ancient times, but is not a floor or a wall. Installations can be big or small. Once archaeologists know what the installation is they call it by its more specific term like, fire place or alter.

Mudbrick: These are bricks made out of dirt and water. After mixing the dirt and water, it is pressed into a rectangular mold and set in the sun to dry and harden. These bricks are then used for building.

Procedures

Log Book: Draw a picture of what you think the inside of an ancient Ashkelon house might look like.

Video

Log Book: What do you think the shells were used for? Draw a picture of what you think the shells were used for.

Interactive Homework

Have your students draw a map of their home showing how different rooms are connected. Have them discuss with their parent why they think their home is laid out the way it is. Have their parent record their thoughts. Be sure to have students draw doors and walls.

Junior Archaeology Assignment

Using blocks can you rebuild the Philistine house in the video? Can you include the streets?