

Introduction



Taylor Wimpey is committed to engaging with the communities in which it builds new homes, and a key strand of this community engagement is our work with schools.

What are the curriculum packs?


This document brings together a wide range of resources and strategies to support our work with local schools, in one place for the first time. It includes various curriculum activities based around housebuilding.

Who are the curriculum packs for?

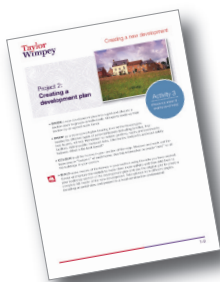
The curriculum packs have been specifically designed to engage primary school pupils. Guidance notes are provided for teachers with each pack and highlight the links to the curricula for England, Scotland and Wales.

How does it work?

These curriculum packs are a resource from which Taylor Wimpey representatives and teachers can choose various individual tasks or full projects to complete with pupils. They are not prescriptive and are intended to offer a wealth of choice and activities, from which you can select to best suit your needs. Some tasks are supported by resource sheets which can be photocopied, and some tasks are also accompanied by answer pages.

Where you see the  symbol, you may wish to contact a local building industry professional to assist with the activity.

There are five curriculum packs, as set out below.



- **Curriculum pack 1: Creating a new development**

This pack focuses on creating and presenting a development plan, the roles and materials involved in housebuilding, building a development timeline, and learning about safety. We have created this curriculum pack so that it can be run at the same time as a public consultation for a site in the local area, although it is equally suitable for use at other times.

Activities within this pack relate to the themes of preparing for development and bringing new homes to life.

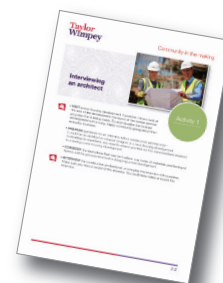
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- **Curriculum pack 2: A community in the making**

This pack focuses on the planning and design process involved in creating new homes, and how important considering the local community is when creating a new development.

Activities include pupils planning their own developments and creating a welcome display about the local community which could be displayed at a housing development.



- **Curriculum pack 3: Housebuilding through the ages**

This pack gives pupils the chance to learn about building styles and materials from various ages, including Tudor, Georgian and Victorian times.

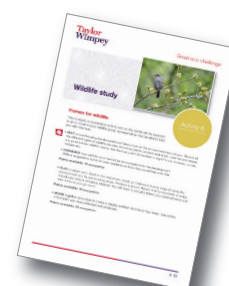
Activities include a challenge to pupils to design a house entirely using modern materials and features, a task to make a model wall using wattle and daub, and a challenge to list the stages of the building of a modern home in the correct order.



- **Curriculum pack 4: Great eco-challenge**

This pack challenges pupils to think about how they can be more eco-friendly and how a home can be designed to be eco-friendly.

Activities include pupils visiting a local housing development to see how wildlife can be encouraged onto the site, turning an item of household rubbish into something useful, and pupils thinking about how they can make small changes to help the environment.



- **Curriculum pack 5: Changing lives, changing communities**

This pack invites pupils to look at the homes and lifestyles of Victorians.

Activities include pupils listing the features of a Victorian home and a modern property, and pupils learning about various Victorian inventions.




Creating a new development



This curriculum pack is aimed at key stage 2 pupils and comprises two curriculum-based themed workbooks, focusing on the following areas:

- **Preparing for development**
- **Bringing new homes to life**

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Investigations, activities and resources linked to the theme of “Preparing for development”

- **Project 1** - Exploring the history of housing
- **Project 2** - Creating a development plan
- **Project 3** - Presenting the plan

Investigations, activities and resources linked to the theme of “Bringing new homes to life”

- **Project 4** - Roles and materials
- **Project 5** - Building a development timeline
- **Project 6** - Learning about safety

Appendices

- Website links
- Teachers’ notes
- Resource sheet answers

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This curriculum pack is aimed at key stage 2 pupils and comprises six activities:

- **Activity 1** – Interviewing an architect
- **Activity 2** – The design process
- **Activity 3** – Not just a home
- **Activity 4** – Creating a community
- **Activity 5** – Plan your own development
- **Activity 6** – Welcome the community

Appendices

- Teachers' notes

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Building a new development is not just about putting up a new group of homes. The planning and design process is of great importance to make sure we build the right things in the right places. If done well, the development can become a thriving success with residents living together in supportive and sociable communities.

A new development may consist of public spaces, new facilities like shops and schools, play areas, and improved roads and transport links.


Taylor Wimpey aims to build sustainable places to live with a real community spirit. There are many things to consider in designing a development and you are going to learn about some of the decisions and considerations facing today's architects.

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This curriculum pack is aimed at key stage 2 pupils and comprises five team-based activities focusing on the different ways which houses were built throughout history:

- **Activity 1** – A trip down memory lane
- **Activity 2** – Be a Tudor builder
- **Activity 3** – Building a new home
- **Activity 4** – Housebuilding today
- **Activity 5** – New homes – old and new styles

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Some activities are accompanied by supporting resource sheets. Teams can use these sheets to prepare their answers – you can photocopy these sheets as needed. At the back of the pack there are notes for teachers.

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This curriculum pack is aimed at key stage 2 pupils and comprises six team-based activities focusing on the importance of considering the environment when planning a new housing development.

- **Activity 1** – Design an eco-home
- **Activity 2** – Eco thinking
- **Activity 3** – A day in my life
- **Activity 4** – What a load of rubbish
- **Activity 5** – Recycle challenge
- **Activity 6** – Wildlife study

Appendices

- **Teachers' notes**

Where you see the  symbol you may wish to contact a local building industry professional to help you deliver the activity. Each of the six activities carries a number of Taylor Wimpey 'eco points'. The greener your thinking in each activity, the more points you will collect. The team with the most eco points at the end of the project will be declared the winners!

Some activities are accompanied by a supporting resource sheet. Teams can use these sheets to prepare their answers – you can photocopy these sheets as needed.

At the front of this pack there is a team-mate sheet (Resource sheet 1a: Are you eco friendly?) and a score sheet (Resource sheet 1b: The great eco challenge) that pupils can use to record the eco points they collect through each activity – you can photocopy these sheets as necessary.

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This curriculum pack is aimed at key stage 2 pupils and comprises seven team-based activities focusing on the differences between Victorian and modern homes.

- **Activity 1** – Victorians near us
- **Activity 2** – Victorian vs modern house design
- **Activity 3** – Who were the everyday Victorians?
- **Activity 4** – Preserving history
- **Activity 5** – Something for the future
- **Activity 6** – Great Victorian inventions
- **Activity 7** – Old vs new

Some activities are accompanied by supporting resource sheets. Teams can use these sheets to prepare their answers – you can photocopy these sheets as needed. At the back of the pack there are notes for teachers.