STANDARD 1: Clear Lake students understand how family, society and work impact the individual and family well-being.

Benchmark 1: They examine the development of architectural styles throughout American history and speculate about housing changes in the future.

Competency: Recognize the influence of design and development on architecture and interior furnishings.

**Lesson:** Frank Lloyd Wright and Prairie Style Architecture

**Objective:** Compare and contrast examples of Frank Lloyd Wright’s style of architecture.

**Materials Needed:** computer, textbook\*, class notes

**Time Frame:** one class period (44 min.) for research, one class period for presentation

Frank Lloyd Wright, who originated the Prairie Style of architecture, believed that, “A house should be of a hill, not on a hill.” What do you think he meant by this statement? He later reversed himself on this view, as is evident in later examples of his work.

1. You and a partner will find three examples of Wright’s early work. Identify and describe the characteristics in each example that are consistent with the Prairie Style. Copy and paste your examples into a Word document, Glogster or Powerpoint. Be sure to document your sources.
2. Find three examples of Wright’s later work. Compare this style of architecture with the three examples you have chosen to represent his early style of architecture. Copy and paste your examples into a Word document, Glogster or Powerpoint. Be sure to document your sources.
3. Develop a hypothesis with your partner as to why Wright changed his style of design from the Prairie style.
4. Present your findings and hypothesis to the class. Your presentations will be informal, but should reflect your understanding of Prairie Style architecture and examination of Wright’s later works.

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