

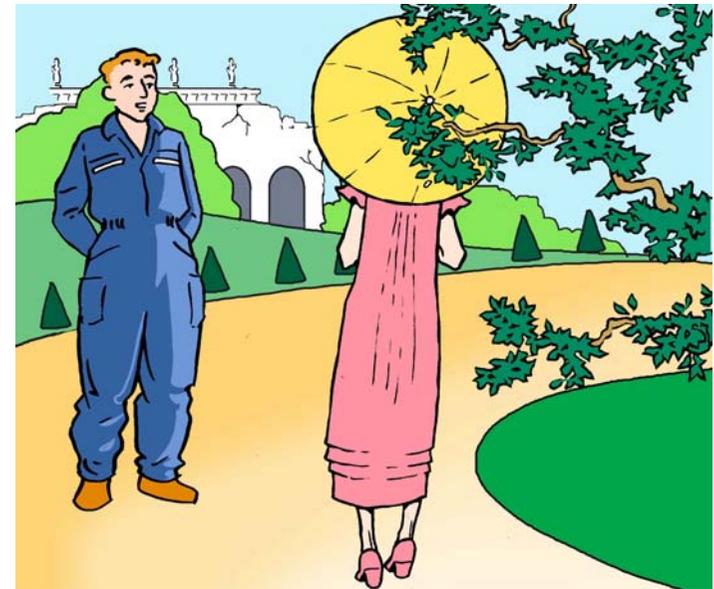
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Here is the same text but you have to complete it with the right words. The first letter is given, as is the number of letters for each word to be written.

Guy: Am I capable of making a simple p _____ in a b _____ of this category? Your Lordship, I work on all types of sites, including industrial buildings and bridges! I work on new c _____ as well as renovating old buildings. My team and I worked on the restoration of the museum here, an 18th century building, no less! I look young? Maybe... True, I set up my own business last year, but I had worked on building sites for quite a few years and am familiar with all sorts of building m _____, like c _____, b _____ b _____, b _____ or s _____... And what you want doing here, Your Lordship, isn't s _____ w _____ with a c _____ m _____ on the b _____ s _____, nor f _____, or a concrete s _____ or putting up outside w _____, like for your sister! Yes, she wants to add a wing to the pavilion in the grounds... Pure folly? Who recommended us to you Your Lordship? Ms Rose Thorn? Oh yes, we renovated the f _____ of her b _____ of f _____ last spring. She's a very demanding lady... There, you see, if she was satisfied, you can have every confidence in our work!

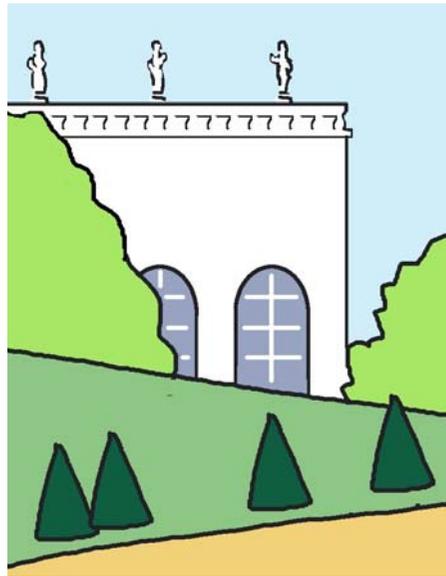
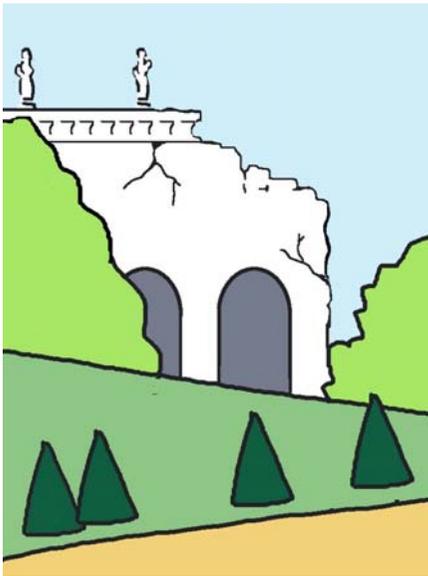
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Builder

Guy: Right, Your Ladyship, if I understand you correctly, you want to restore this building just like the one in the grounds of your castle. You also want to add a wing with a large room for your patchwork meetings and a small bathroom with toilet. You've already got a blueprint done by an architect, that's good. ... Will there be a lot of workers? For a picnic lunch in the garden? That's very kind of you, Your Ladyship, but it's difficult to say right now! You see, we builders start the work on the site. We prepare the ground and organise the work for when the other trades arrive. Then we start the construction work from the blueprint. I'm talking about the extra wing, obviously. That's the shell of the building with the foundations and the bearing elements: walls, beams and floor. That part is very important, you know, because the quality of the work of the others who come after us depends on the quality of our work. What others? Well, there's the electricians, the plumbers and the painters for a start. And they don't always work at the same time either!

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A few words relating to a builder's work:

Here is a text using a lot of words from the list. Read it carefully, as you will have to use the same words afterwards.

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| Block of flats | Blueprint | Breezeblock |
| Brick | Building | Building site |
| Cement | Cement mixer | Concrete |
| Construction | Façade | Foundations |
| Framework | Level | Materials |
| Mortar | Partition | Plumb |
| Sand | Scaffolding | Slab |
| Stone | Structural work | Wall |

Sorry? You want us to use old stones that you've kept in the cellars of the castle??! You say that we builders were the makers of cathedrals... Well, yes, but that was a long time ago, Your Ladyship! In the Middle Ages! Nowadays we very rarely salvage old stones; we use modern materials, more eco-friendly. Will it fit in with the style? Well of course! We do what the clients want, you know. We'll do an antique finish for the façade.

What happens in bad weather? Ah it's a chance you take in this job! We builders nearly always work outdoors! You think I'm a bit thin for a builder?! But it isn't physical strength that counts, we've moved on a bit since the days of building cathedrals! It's true that you shouldn't have problems with your back, as sometimes we work in uncomfortable positions, often high up and in all weather!

All right, Lady Snooty, we'll draw up a detailed quotation. You'll have to discuss it with your brother... Yes, I can imagine. Actually, I'm just going to see him about some work he wants done in the castle...

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In a similar line of work, Guy could also have been:

public works operator – concrete worker – pipe layer – tiler – carpenter – plasterer – cement worker – formwork setter – works manager – stonemason...

Guy: Am I capable of making a simple **partition** in a **building** of this category? Your Lordship, I work on all types of sites, including industrial buildings and bridges! I work on new **constructions** as well as renovating old buildings. My team and I worked on the restoration of the museum here, an 18th century building, no less! I look young? Maybe... True, I set up my own business last year, but I had worked on building sites for quite a few years and am familiar with all sorts of building **materials**, like **concrete**, **breezeblocks**, **brick** or **stone**... And what you want doing here, Your Lordship, isn't **structural work** with a **cement mixer** on the **building site**, nor **foundations**, or a concrete **slab** or putting up outside **walls**, like for your sister! Yes, she wants to add a wing to the pavilion in the grounds... Pure folly?

Who recommended us to you Your Lordship? Ms Rose Thorn? Oh yes, we renovated the **façade** of her **block of flats** last spring. She's a very demanding lady... There, you see, if she was satisfied, you can have every confidence in our work!