

English Worksheet - Historic Landmarks: Research and Writing

Preparing to Research and Write

Read the paragraph below and answer the following questions.

While the design of the Seagram Building may seem ordinary, at the time of its construction, it was visionary. It was built between 1956 and 1958 in the minimalist “International Style” by the famous architect Mies van der Rohe and is widely recognized as his most famous building. It is a modular design of bronze and glass. Where a typical building would have begun at the edge of the sidewalk, the Seagram Building is set back from the street by a large plaza. As a result of the plaza, the building becomes a focal point and a public space is created – features that transformed future design of public space in cities.

Questions

1. Underline the thesis statement.
2. Explain how the thesis addresses the assignment.

3. What information in the paragraph should be cited?

4. Describe three arguments you could make to support the thesis statement. (May require some research.)

a.

b.

c.

Prepare ideas for your paper about the Seagram Building.

Write your thesis:

Describe three arguments to support your thesis (include citations).

1.

Citation(s):

2.

Citations(s):

3.

Citation(s):
