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Let's Learn About Architect  
**Zaha Hadid**



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# What is Architecture?

Architecture is the art or practice of designing and building structures.

## Who is an Architect?

A skilled professional who plans, designs, and oversees the construction of buildings or structures.

## Why does it matter?

Where you live, work, and play is affected by architecture. Buildings which make up our “built environment” make a big difference in how things look and work. They can help us feel better, connect us to each other, and even do better in school. Good architecture is important for all parts of our lives.



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# Who is Zaha Hadid?

Zaha Mohammad Hadid was an Iraqi-British architect, artist and designer. Born on October 31, 1950, in Baghdad, Iraq. Growing up, she observed the world around her and began to think “How else can the world look differently?”

Zaha was inspired by what is around her – nature, animals, people and cities.

## Here is what's special about Zaha Hadid:

- Zaha is the first woman to win the Pritzker Architecture Prize
- Named ‘Dame’ by late Queen Elizabeth II
- First woman architect awarded the RIBA Gold Medal



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# What Inspires Zaha Hadid?

An architect's design may be inspired by elements such as location, history, purpose, nature, story, shapes or objects.



**Natural Environments**

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**Animals and Creatures**

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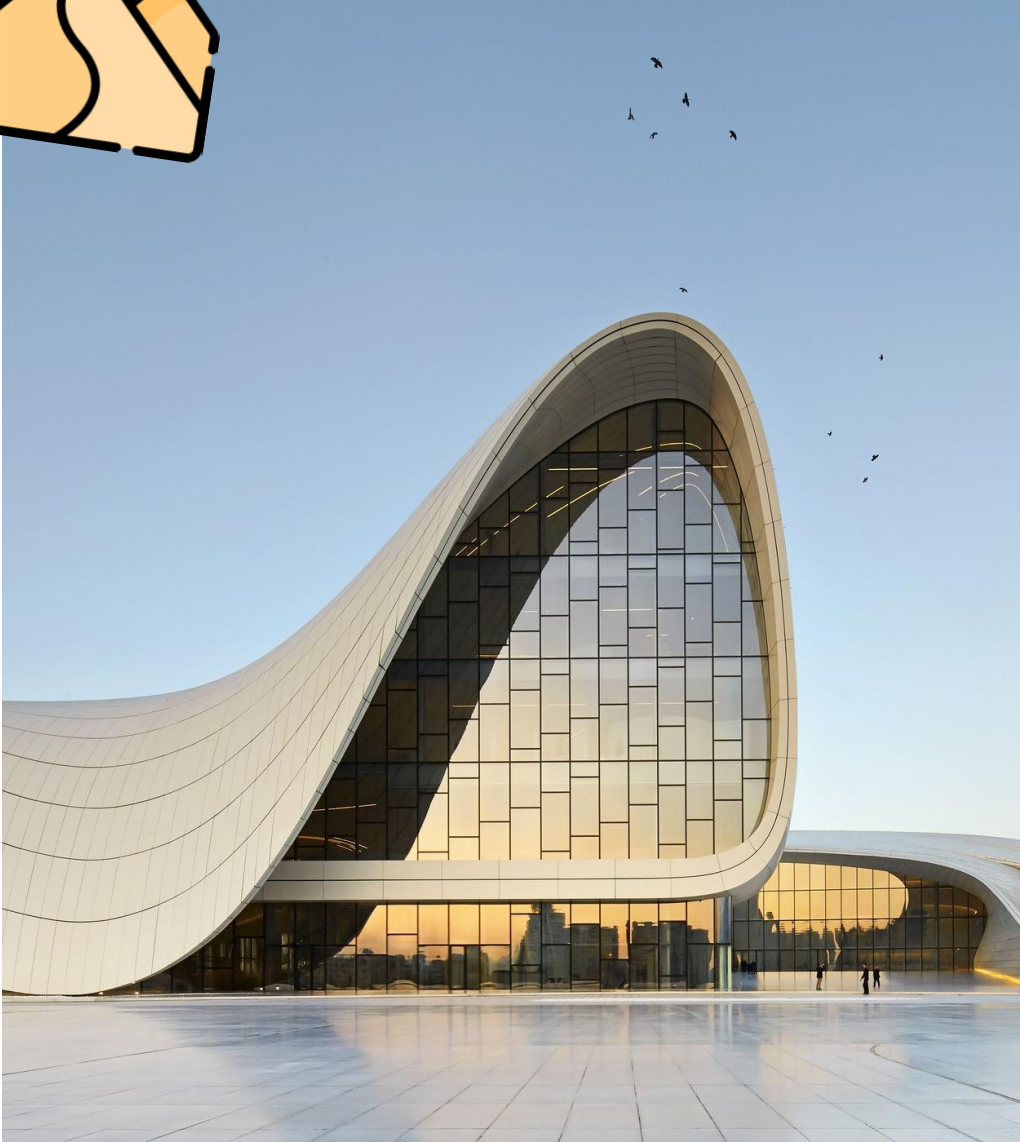


**Discoveries**

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# Work Examples



**Heydar Aliyev Center**

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**Al Janoub Stadium**

Photo by Go Qatar 2022



**Galaxy SOHO**

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# What Inspires You?

It is now your turn! Begin to think about what is available to you to draw inspiration from.



**Plants and Nature**

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**Animals and Creatures**

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**People**

Photo by Sutlafk



# What Inspires You?



**Rocks, Stones and Gems**

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**Water**

Photo by Roshy Dog



**Patterns and Art**

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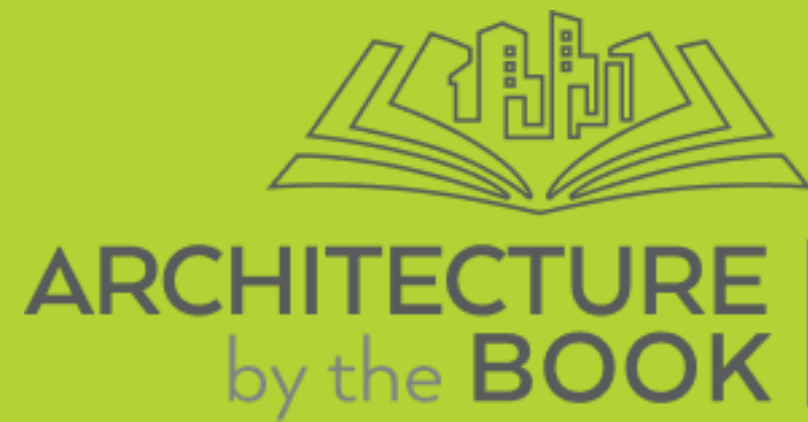
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