2 Match the Words with the definitions

A	**beam**
B	**concrete**
C	**crane**
D	**foundation**
E	**steel**
F	**support**
G	**brick**
H	**elevator**
I	**invent**
J	**wire**
K	**currently**
L	**opinion**
M	**story**
N	**superstructure**
O	**corridor**
P	**impossible**
Q	**landmark**

H	machine that takes people from one floor to another
N	part of a skyscraper that is above the ground
L	what you think about something
E	strong metal made out of iron that you can easily shape
C	large machine that can lift heavy things
I	to design or make something new
A	a long thick piece of metal that is laid horizontally
M	floor
K	at the moment, now
F	to hold up something
Q	something that is easy to see and that helps you know where you are
P	if something cannot be done
B	strong building material made by mixing sand, stones, cement and water
J	thin piece of metal that is used to transport electricity
G	hard block of baked clay used to make buildings
O	long narrow hallway between rooms in a building
D	the part of a building that is under the ground

3 Fill in the blanks with the words from the box !

Until the middle of the 19th ***century*** it was almost ***impossible*** to construct tall buildings because ***bricks*** and stone had to carry the ***weight*** of the ***structure***. The Industrial Revolution and the ***invention*** of iron and ***steel*** made it possible to build strong and light ***frames***. They were able to ***support*** very tall buildings. ***Elevators*** could carry many people to higher stories very quickly.

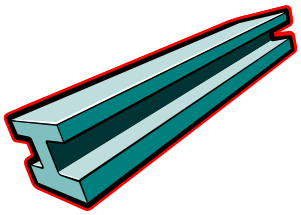
As ***cities*** grew higher more and more people could live and work there. Skyscrapers were seen by many as a way to ***save*** land but they were also thought of as a ***symbol*** of power and importance. For ***decades*** American cities had the ***title*** of the world's tallest building. The Empire State Building became a ***landmark*** of New York and was the world's tallest building for four decades.

Today, Asian countries are entering the ***race*** for the tallest structures in the world. ***Currently***, a large skyscraper is being built in Dubai. It is expected to reach a ***height*** of over 700 metres and will have 160 ***stories***.

bricks	height	stories
century	impossible	structure
cities	invention	support
currently	landmark	symbol
decades	race	title
elevators	save	weight
frames	steel	

Skyscrapers - Key

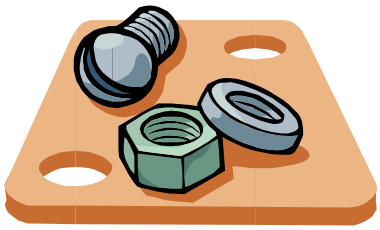
4 What do you associate with these pictures? Fill in from the box below ! Be careful - there are more words than you will need !



BEAM

CRANE

CONCRETE



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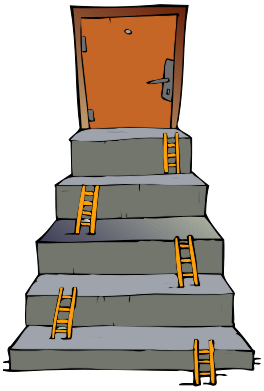
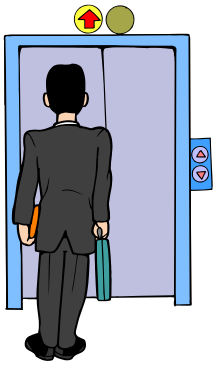


STAIRCASE



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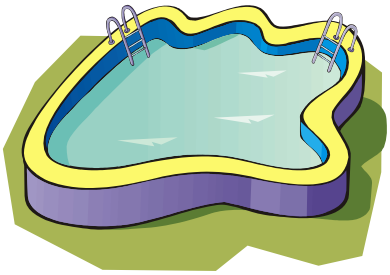

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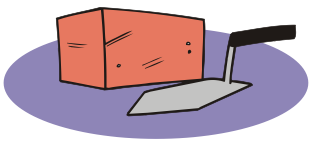
AIR CONDITIONING



BRICK

AIR CONDITIONING	CONCRETE	ELECTRICITY	SPA
BEAM	CORE	ELEVATOR	STAIRCASE
BOLT	CORRIDOR	FOUNDATION	STRUCTURE
BRICK	CRANE	LANDMARK	WIRE

Skyscrapers - Key

Do some work on the internet and find information about these structures !

STRUCTURE	WHEN BUILT	CITY/COUNTRY	HEIGHT	OTHER INFORMATION
CN Tower	1976	Toronto / Canada	533 m	
John Hancock Centre	1969	Chicago / USA	457 m	
Sears Tower	1974	Chicago/ USA	442 m	
Jin Mao Tower	1998	Shanghai / China	421 m	
Tashkent Tower	1985	Tashkent/Uzbekistan	375 m	
Emirates Office Tower	2000	Dubai	355 m	
Eiffel Tower	1889	Paris / France	324 m	
Q1 Tower	2005	Gold Coast /Australia	323 m	
Gateway Arch	1935	St. Louis / Missouri	192 m	

6 CROSSWORD


1 MALAYSIA
ANHATTAN
2 SPIRE
3 DECADE
4 ELEVATOR
5 DUBAI
6 SECRET
7 CRANE
8 CHICAGO
9 INSTALL
10 FRAME
11 BRICK
12 MAJORAN
13 COMPLETE