

Scheme 1: Part 3

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Focus questions for presentations



Windows group

Questions to think about when you are preparing your presentations.

- How many different types of window did you find?
 - What was different about them?
 - How do the windows open? Are they sash windows (sliding up and down), or do they open on hinges (casement windows)?
 - What are the window frames made of?
 - Do they have big or small panes of glass?
 - How are they arranged on the front of the building?
 - What shapes are used to divide them up into separate panes of glass and how many panes are there?
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Doors group

Questions to think about when you are preparing your presentations.

- How many different types of door did you find?
 - What was different about them?
 - What shapes do they have in them?
 - What are they made of?
 - Are the doors to the houses similar to each other or different? Why do you think that is?
 - Do different types of buildings have different doors?
 - Why is it more common to see a doorknocker on an older house?
 - Why do some houses have two doors?
 - What things can be easily changed about a front door?
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Materials group

Questions to think about when you are preparing your presentations.

- What was the most usual material for buildings in the street to be made of? Why do you think this is?
- What other materials did you find?
- Why are the different materials used? Are they structural, decorative or both? Do they let light in? Do they keep rain out?
- What materials are on the ground?
- How many different materials can you find being used for pavements?
- Can you suggest why the material is being used in this place? Is it good for the use?

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Shapes and symmetry group

Questions to think about when you are preparing your presentations.

- What shapes did you find?
 - Where on the buildings were the shapes used?
 - Why were they used? Are they good for taking weight? Are they decorative? Are they good for tessellation?
 - Were most buildings symmetrical or asymmetrical?
 - Look at a building that is symmetrical and think about why it was designed like that. Is it to give each side equal light and space? Is it so that each side takes equal weight? Is it decorative?
 - Look at a building that is asymmetrical and think about why it was designed like that.
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Pattern and colour group

Questions to think about when you are preparing your presentations.

- What patterns did you find?
- Where on the buildings/ground were the patterns used?
- What were they made of?
- Why were they used? Do they show the structure? Are they decorative?
- What colours did you find?
- Was the colour natural to the building material or was it painted?
- How many colours can you find? Which are used most, and on what part of the buildings?
- Why is colour used: to attract attention, to identify a building, or just as decoration?
- Why was the colour used?