



# I - Spy: Columns



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Next time you visit a city or town take a look around at the buildings and other structures you see. Can you spot any classical columns? Can you tell which of the five classical orders they belong to? Use this sheet to record the columns you see.

You could take a photograph and paste it onto the sheet or you could draw a thumbnail sketch. Each type of column spotted is worth points so don't forget to **add up your total**. Happy hunting!

<p><b>Doric Order</b> (30 point score)</p> <p>Remember Doric columns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• do not have a base.</li><li>• taper toward the top.</li><li>• have a fluted shaft.</li><li>• have a plain capital.</li></ul>	<p>Where spotted:</p>	<p>Sketch/Photo:</p>
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<p><b>Ionic Order</b> (10 point score)</p> <p>Remember Ionic columns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• are more slender than Doric columns.</li> <li>• have volutes (scrolls) on the capitals.</li> <li>• have a well-defined base with carved mouldings.</li> </ul>	<p>Where spotted:</p>	<p>Sketch/Photo:</p>
<p><b>Corinthian Order</b> (20 point score)</p> <p>Remember Corinthian columns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• are heavily decorated.</li> <li>• can have a single or double row of stylised acanthus leaves around the capital.</li> <li>• have a similar base to Ionic columns.</li> </ul>	<p>Where spotted:</p>	<p>Sketch/Photo:</p>

<p><b>Tuscan Order</b> (40 point score)</p> <p>Remember Tuscan columns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• taper toward the top.</li> <li>• have a plain shaft.</li> <li>• have a plain base and capital.</li> </ul>	<p>Where spotted:</p>	<p>Sketch/Photo:</p>
<p><b>Composite Order</b> (50 point score)</p> <p>Remember Composite columns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have a capital which has <u>both</u> volutes (scrolls) from the Ionic order and foliage/acanthus leaves from the Corinthian order.</li> </ul>	<p>Where spotted:</p>	<p>Sketch/Photo:</p>



## Top Tips:

If you cannot visit a town or city to hunt for columns why not try the following:

### **SINE website**

You could search through the image collection to find pictures of buildings or other structures which have classical columns.

To get you started here are a few you may want to look at:

- The Theatre Royal, Newcastle upon Tyne
- Monkwearmouth Station, Sunderland
- The Albert Memorial, Saltburn-by-the-Sea

### **Search Engines**

Try using a search engine such as Google to find websites with pictures of classical columns. Enter a search using terms such as:

- Classical architecture
- Classical columns in Architecture
- Greek or Roman architecture

**TOP TIP:** If the search engine allows it try using the image search option to see what pictures you can find.

### **Library**

In your school or local library look for books about the following:

- Classical architecture
- Greek and Roman architecture
- Historic Buildings
- Books about your local area (local history books or collections of photographs of the area)

**TOP TIP:** Try to pick books which have lots of illustrations/pictures which you can easily photocopy.