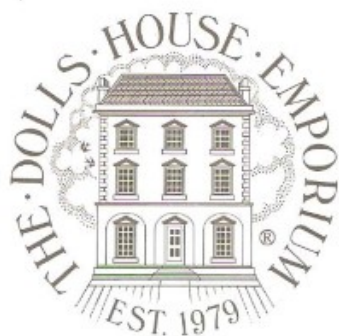




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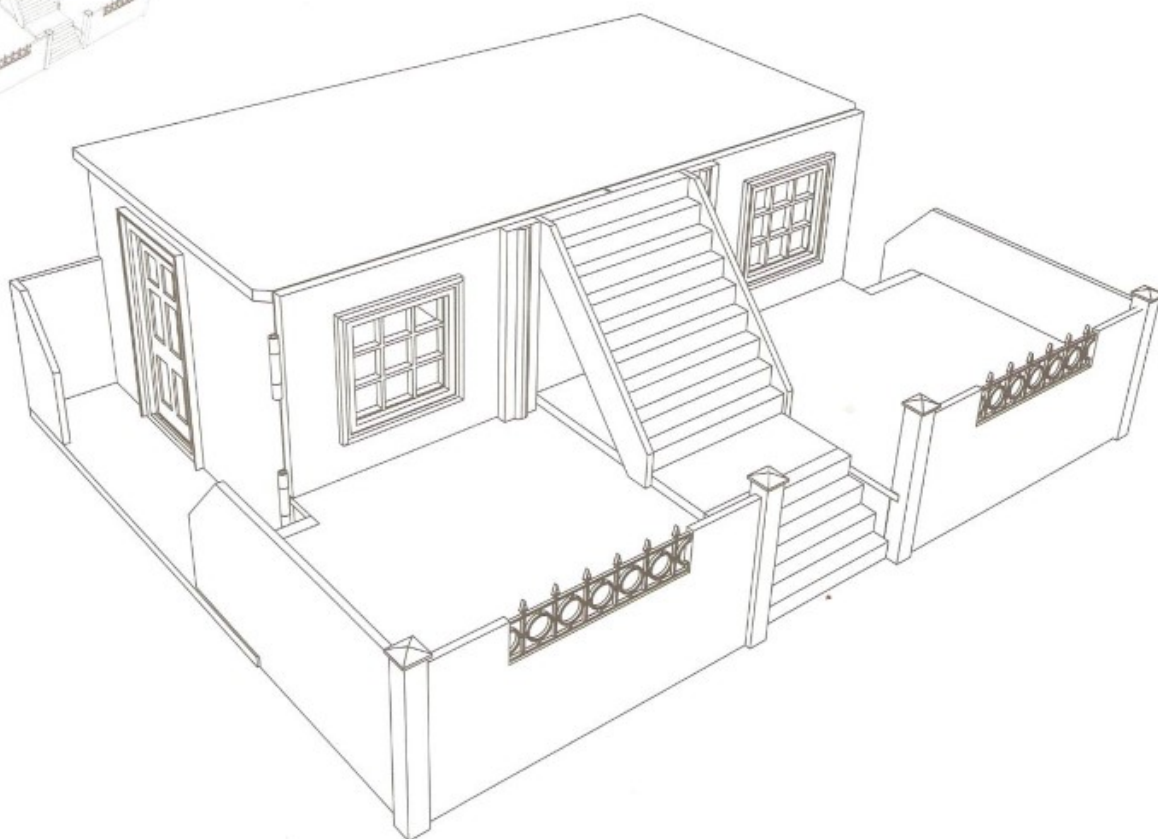
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THE CLASSICAL BASEMENT KIT INSTRUCTIONS

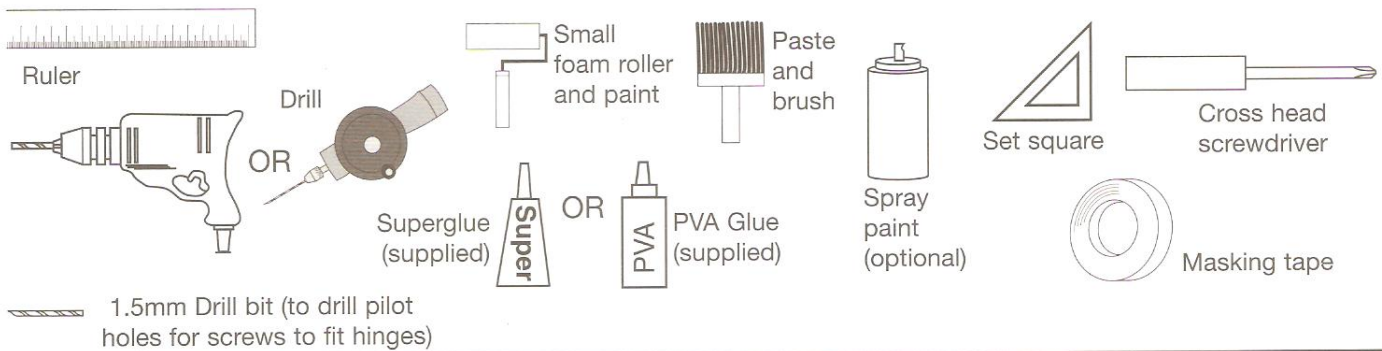
Unpack your kit and study the contents carefully, relating the parts to the contents list and drawings. In the unlikely event of there being a missing or broken part then please ring 0845 434 9202 and our staff will ensure that the problem is dealt with promptly.

We recommend that all Dolls House Emporium kits are dry built first. Please read through all the instructions carefully before commencing. If, at any stage you would like any advice or assistance, please ring us on 0845 434 9202 and we will be pleased to answer any queries.

It is not recommended to keep your dolls' house in a conservatory - due to the extremes of temperature.

version three

TOOLS AND MATERIALS REQUIRED



DRY ASSEMBLY

We recommend that all Dolls House Emporium kits are dry built first, to ensure all the parts fit together properly before gluing and so that the instructions are fully understood. Use masking tape to hold panels together whilst dry building. After unpacking your dolls' house kit, do not throw away the box. Opened up and flattened out, it can be used to cover your work surface (secured with masking tape). It will protect both your work surface and the painted surfaces of your dolls' house.



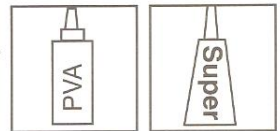
GLUING TIPS

PVA wood glue and superglue are supplied in the kit. It is advised that PVA is used to glue larger parts, such as the carcass and superglue is used for smaller painted parts and plastics. It is indicated which glue to use in the instruction steps.

PVA: Always shake PVA before use. Apply plenty of glue in a zig zag motion down the groove and ensure the glue is evenly spread. When using PVA to join painted surfaces, an ideal bond can be achieved by sanding to create a key on the two parts that are to be joined. Excess glue should be wiped away using a damp cloth.

Superglue: When gluing parts onto painted surfaces, we recommend using the superglue. If superglue doesn't stick to an absorbent surface, let the glue dry, then re-apply. The first coat will have sealed the surface and the second coat will stick. If superglue doesn't stick to a shiny surface, sand it lightly to provide a key. If you stick your fingers together with superglue, soak them in hot water and washing-up liquid, and gently prise them apart.

To add pressure during gluing stages stand heavy weights in strategic positions.



PAINTING TIPS

To get the best results, seal the MDF parts with an MDF sealer (available from DIY outlets) or 50/50 water and PVA before painting and decorating. Oil based matt finish is ideal, applied with a small foam roller for a flat and even finish. Gloss paint for details can also be used. British Standard codes are as follows:

Classical Blue Eggshell: **BS 18 E 50**
 Country Store, Queen Anne, Priory & Fairbanks Cream Eggshell: **BS 10 C 31**
 Kate's Cottage & Malibu Beach House White: **BS 08 B 15**
 Mornington Mews Lavender: **BS 05 9 33**
 Mornington Mews & Mackintosh White: **BS 10 B 15**

Paints can be obtained from:
Trimite 01895 251234
Dulux 01753 550555
Crown/Brolac 01254 704951
 or your local decorators' merchant

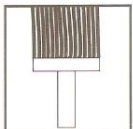


Wooden windows and doors can be coated with a spray paint for a flat and even finish, varnished or stained.

For a realistic pebble-dash finish on your exterior walls, buy a tester pot of masonry paint in the colour of your choice and add some fine sand. Two coats will produce a very pleasing effect.

WALLPAPERING TIPS

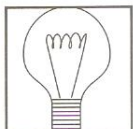
Check the walls for any lumps and bumps before papering. Allow minimal overlap when cutting wallpaper. This will make the job of applying it much easier. In fact, if skirting boards and/or coving are to be fitted, no overlap is necessary. It is often easier to decorate the house with it lying on its back. Gravity will help in the positioning of the wallpaper. A 2-inch soft-bristled brush and a 2-inch paint scraper are helpful tools for wallpapering into corners, giving a professional finish. It is easier to wallpaper the roof before attaching it to the house. For cutting difficult shapes in wallpaper, first use a piece of scrap paper to make a template. You can mark this paper by pushing it into the corners of the house and making creases in it. When you are happy with the fit, transfer the shape to your wallpaper.



To achieve an ideal bond first size walls with a 50/50 water and PVA glue mix, then when this is dry, put on the wallpaper as usual with wallpaper paste. If panels are painted then an ideal bond is achieved by lightly sanding the shiny finish (to give a little more key to the surface) before sizing and wallpapering. If, after wallpapering, you find that you have an air bubble in it, use a hair dryer to shrink back the wallpaper. If this does not work, wet the paper and use the hair dryer again. Use ordinary wallpaper paste, available from DIY stores and interior decorating suppliers.

WIRING INFORMATION

There is a suggested wiring circuit layout at the end of these instructions, and full details are given with the wiring kit.



CONSTRUCTION

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Dry build your kit now using masking tape and mark up correct orientation of stairs

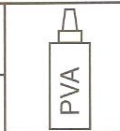
NB: Whilst you dry build the kit, it is an ideal time to mark the panels and parts (lightly with pencil) that you wish to paint or treat before construction (eg. ceiling, scotia strips, porticos, windows, doors etc).

Also we suggest that you work out the best time to decorate the various other parts in the kit. We recommend you do this during a dry build; a good idea is to create a list of what to do and when for tasks such as papering rooms before putting the floors/ceilings in, fitting doors, installing lights, carpeting floors etc. When you have done this, run through the steps during another dry build to check your order will work.

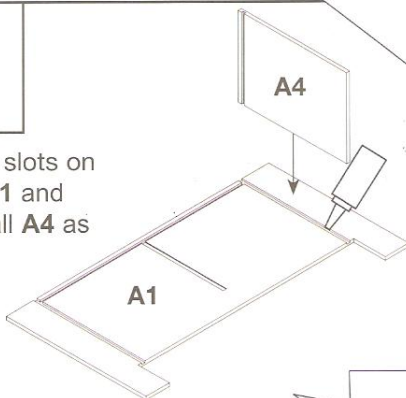
This will give you more chance to become accustomed to the kit and can save a great deal of time and mistakes in the long run.

Happy building !

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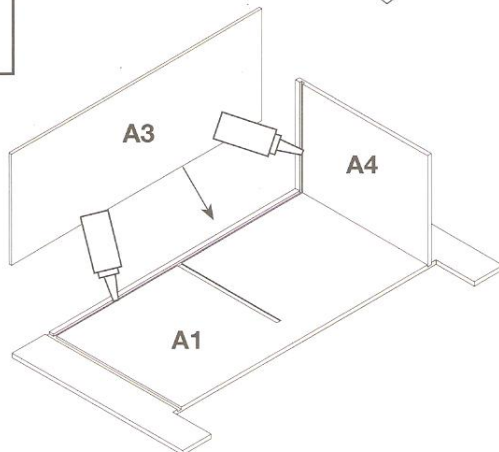
Apply glue to slots on Base Panel **A1** and locate RH Wall **A4** as shown.



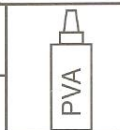
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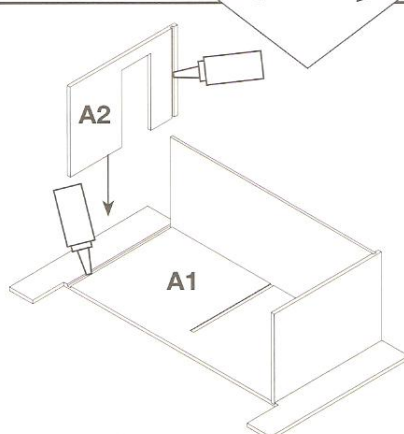
Apply glue to slots on **A1** and **A4** and locate Back Panel **A3** as shown.



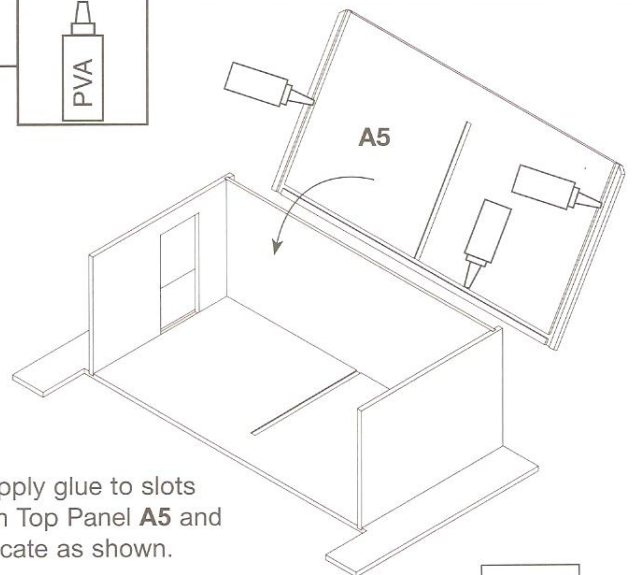
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Apply glue to slots on **A1** and LH Wall **A2** and locate as shown.

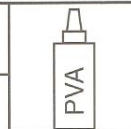


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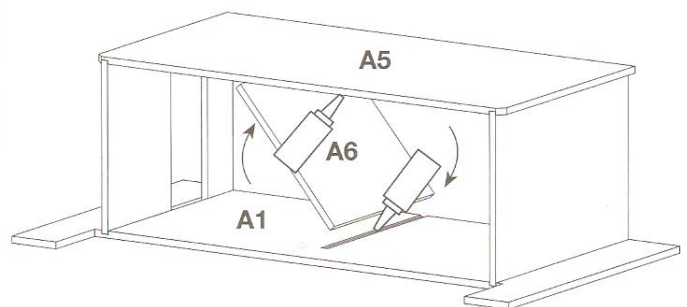


Apply glue to slots on Top Panel **A5** and locate as shown.

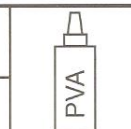
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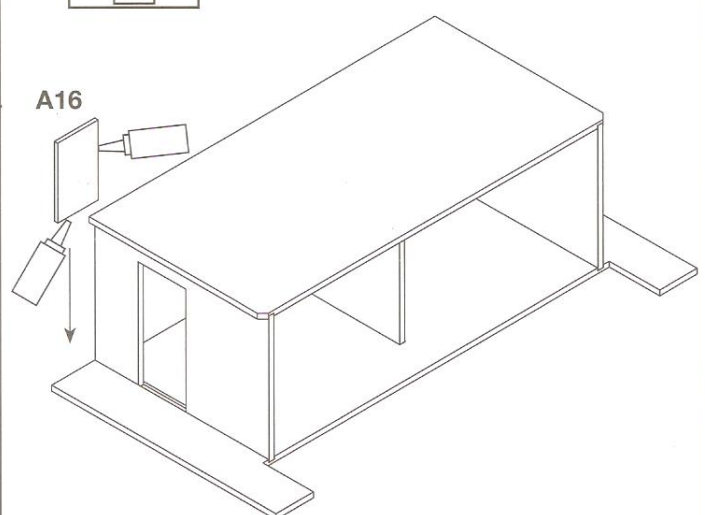
Apply glue to slots on **A5** and **A1** and locate Mid Wall **A6** as shown.



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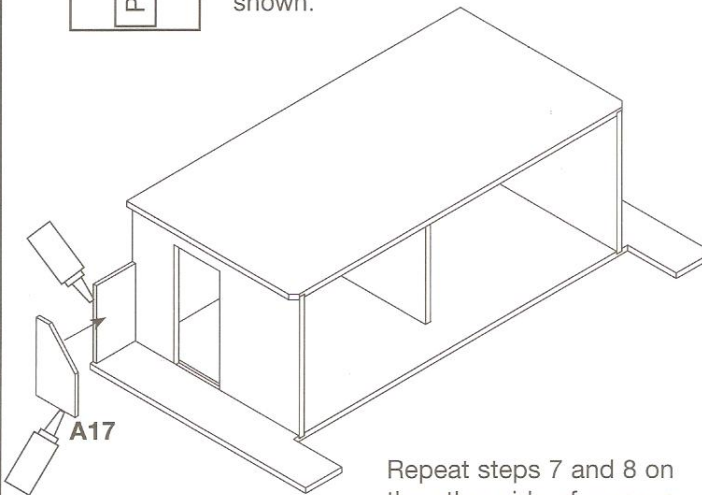
Apply glue to edges of **A16** and locate as shown.



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Apply glue to edges of **A17** and **A16** and locate as shown.



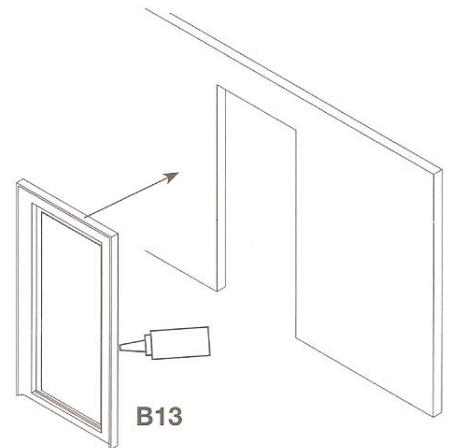
Repeat steps 7 and 8 on the other side of carcass.

PLASTIC DOOR

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Apply glue to rear of Plastic Door **B13** and locate as shown.



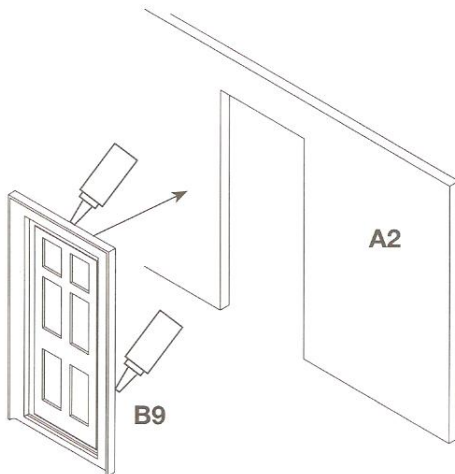
WOODEN DOOR

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(For plastic door go to step 11.)

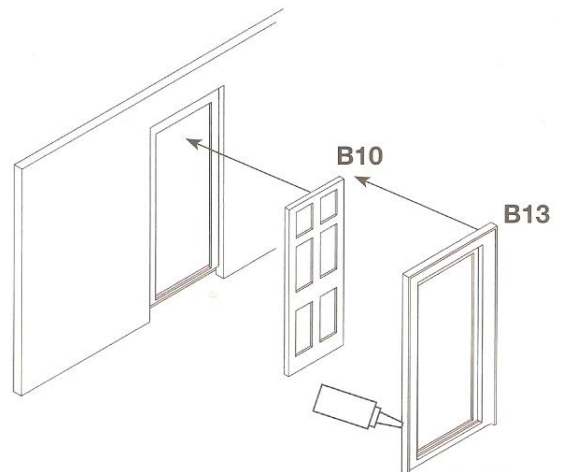
Apply glue to rear of Wooden Door **B9** and locate as shown.



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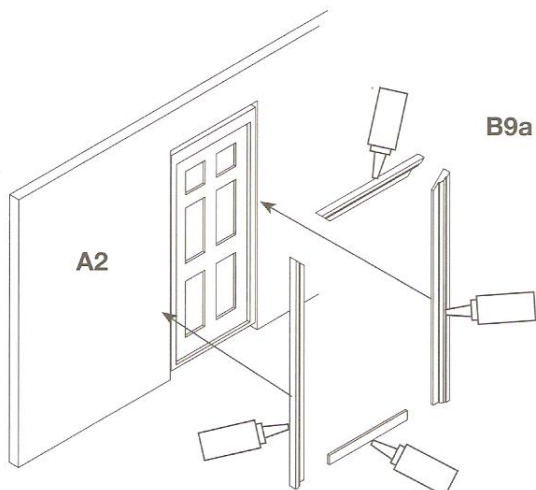
Apply glue to Rear Frame and locate onto reverse of **A2** as shown.



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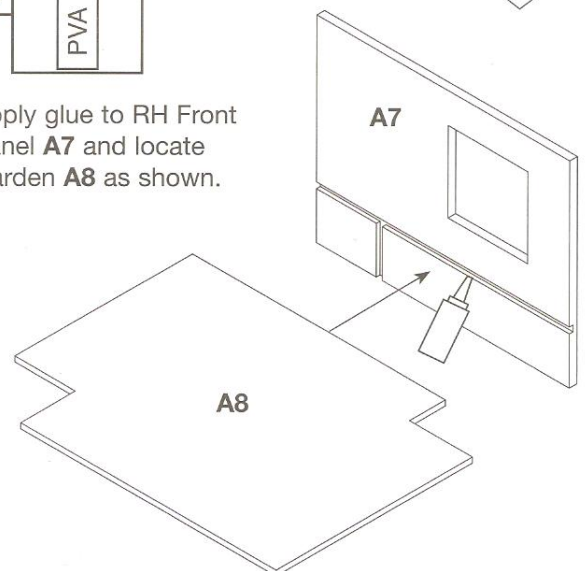
Apply glue to Architraves and locate onto reverse of **A2** as shown. Now go to step 13.



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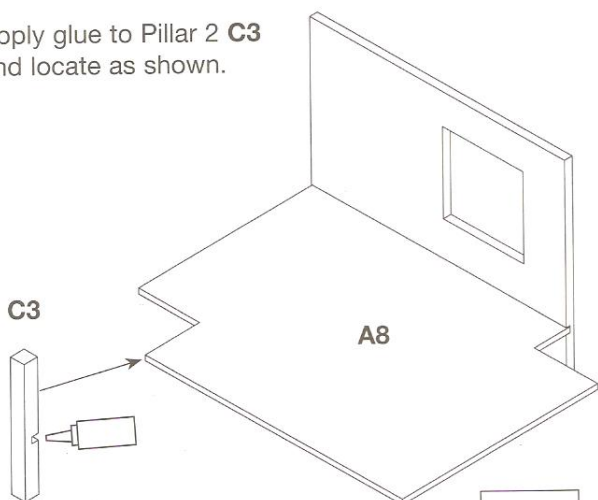
Apply glue to RH Front Panel **A7** and locate Garden **A8** as shown.



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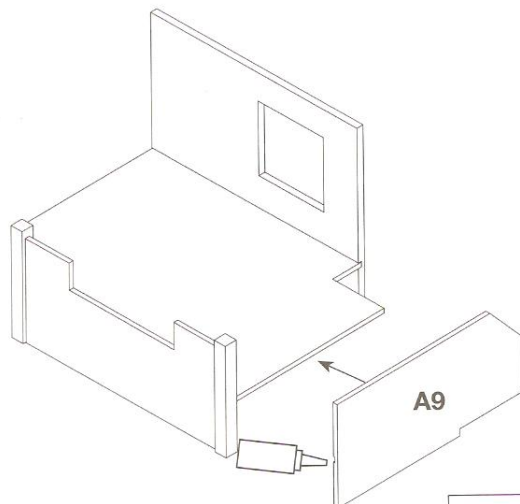
Apply glue to Pillar 2 **C3**
and locate as shown.



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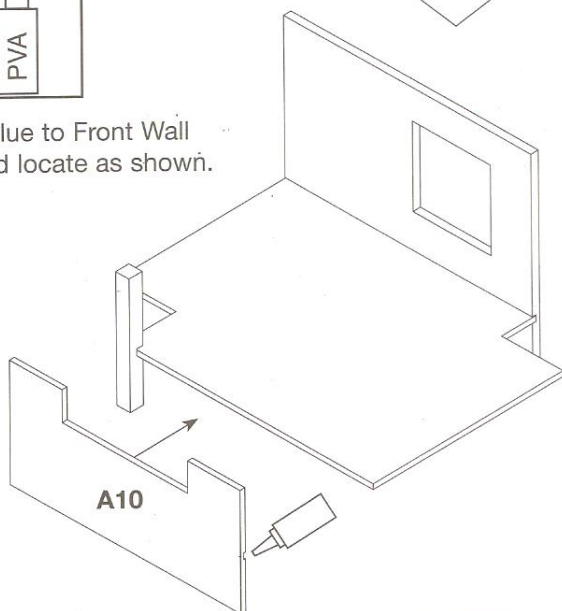
Apply glue to RH
Garden Wall **A9** and
locate as shown.



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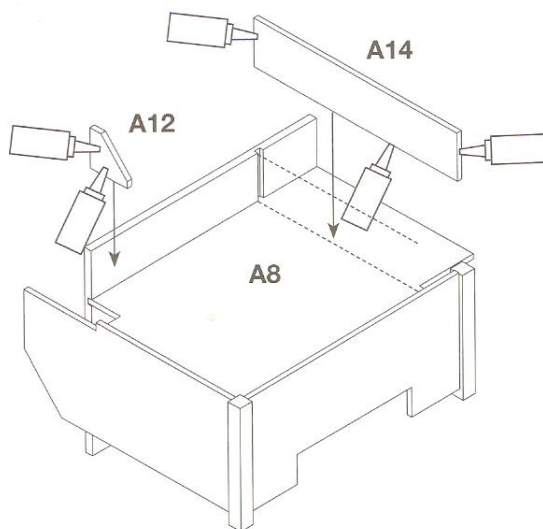
Apply glue to Front Wall
A10 and locate as shown.



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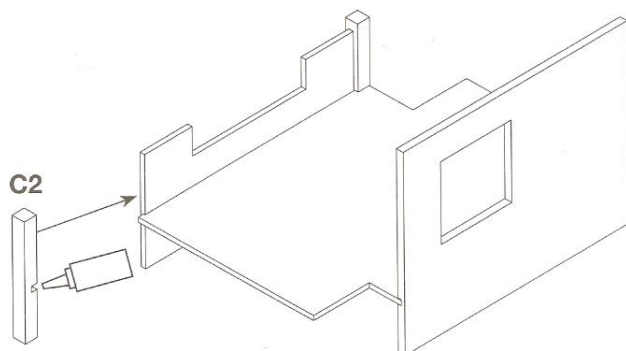
Apply glue to Side Stair
Side **A12** and Small Steps
Side **A14** and locate onto underside of
A8 assembly as shown.



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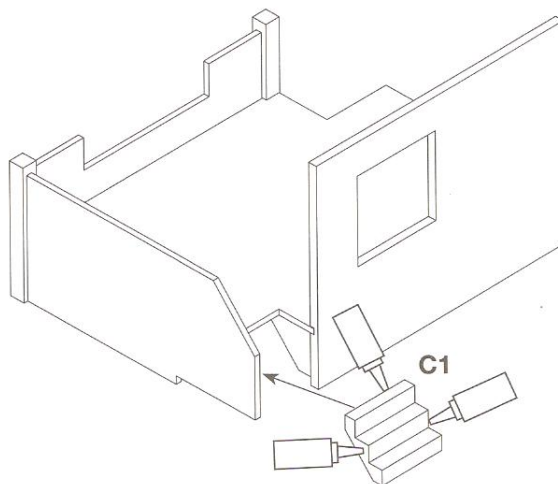
Apply glue to Pillar 1 **C2**
and locate as shown.



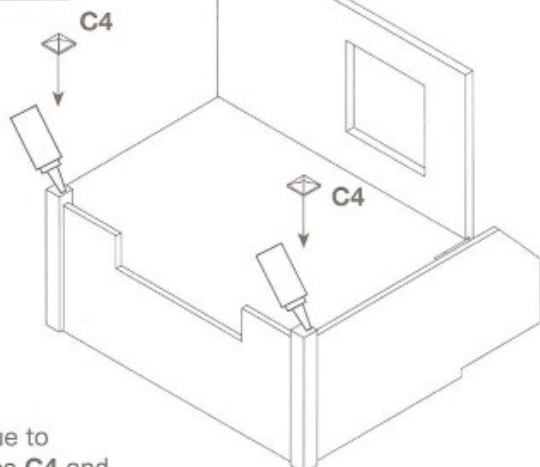
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Apply glue to Side Steps **C1** and locate
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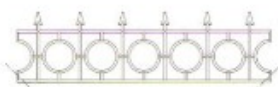
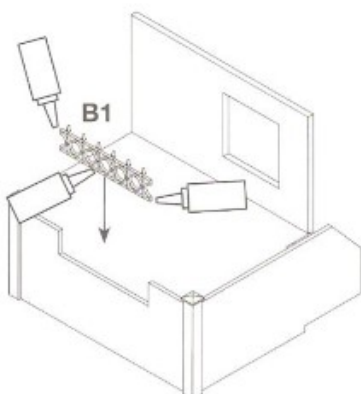


Apply glue to Post Caps **C4** and locate as shown.

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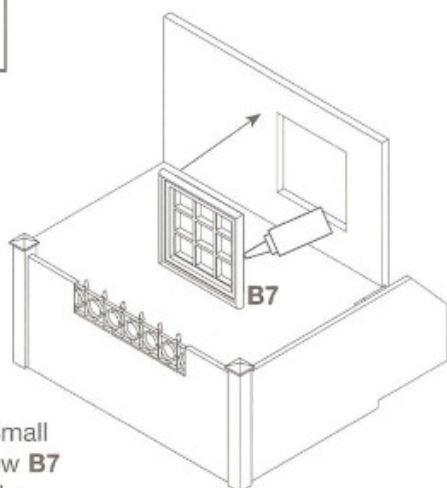
Apply glue to Railings **B1** and locate as shown.



Carefully trim bottom edges of railings to ensure good fit.

WOODEN WINDOWS

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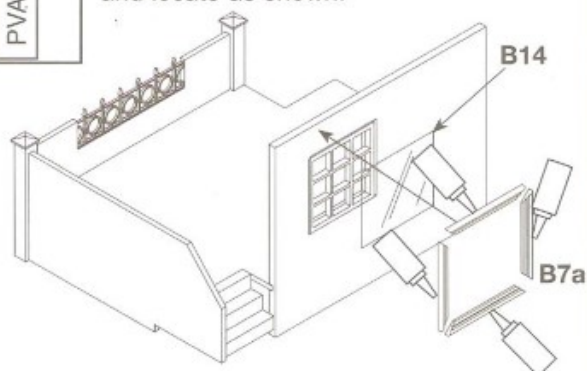


Apply glue to Small Wooden Window **B7** and locate as shown.

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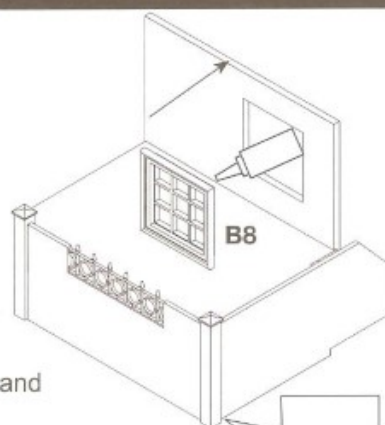


Apply glue to architraves and locate as shown.



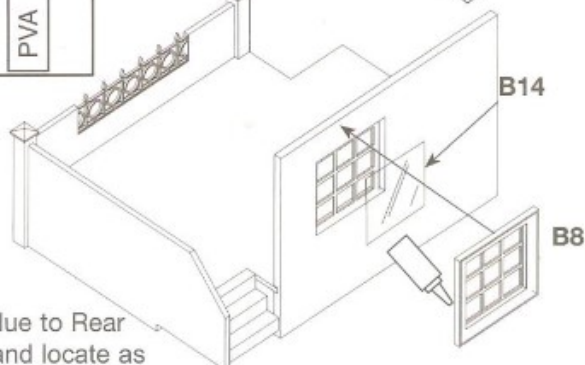
PLASTIC WINDOWS

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Apply glue to Small Plastic Window **B8** and locate as shown.

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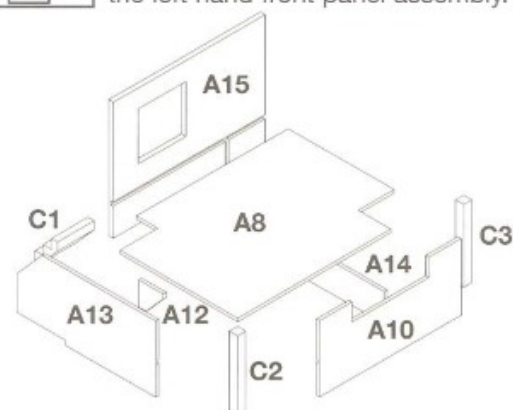


Apply glue to Rear Frame and locate as shown.

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Using the same method as for right hand front panel assembly, apply glue and assemble the left hand front panel assembly.

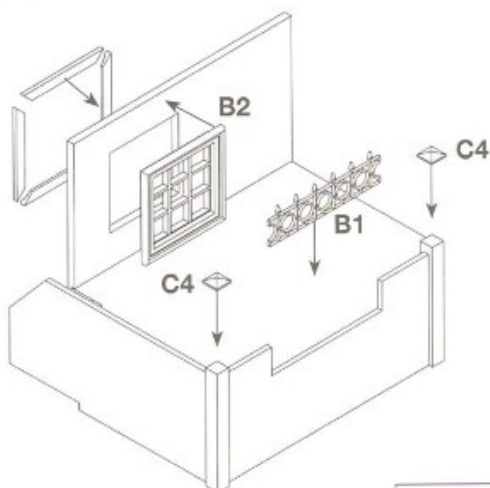


Exploded view of left hand front panel assembly parts. NB. Use part **A15** in place of **A7** and use part **A13** in place of **A9**.

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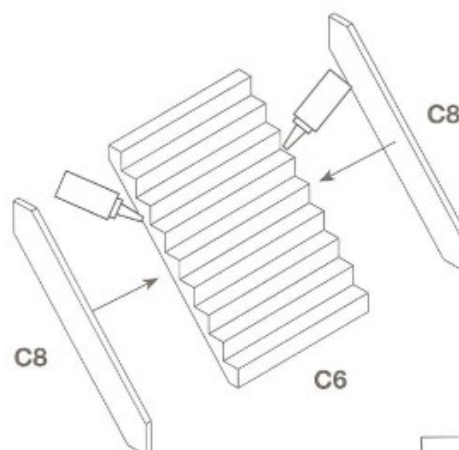
Apply glue to **B1, B2 or B10** and **C4s** and locate as shown.



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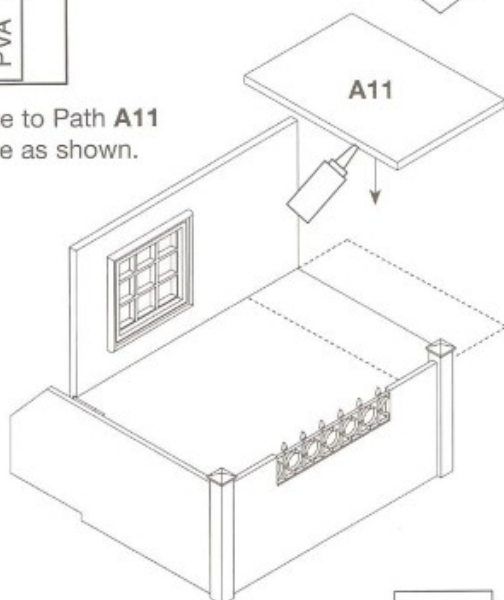
Apply glue to side of Main Stair Sides **C8** and locate Large Steps **C6** as shown.



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Apply glue to Path **A11** and locate as shown.

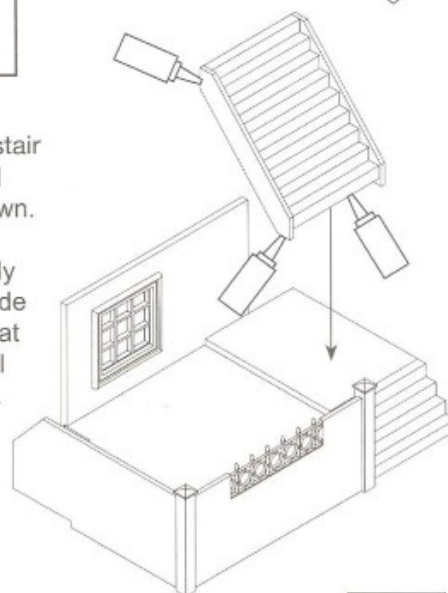


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Apply glue to side of main stair assembly and locate as shown.

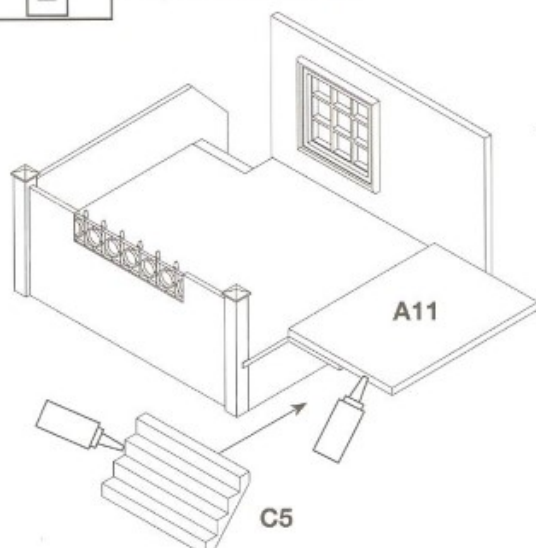
NB. Only apply glue to one side of stairs so that opening panel can still open.



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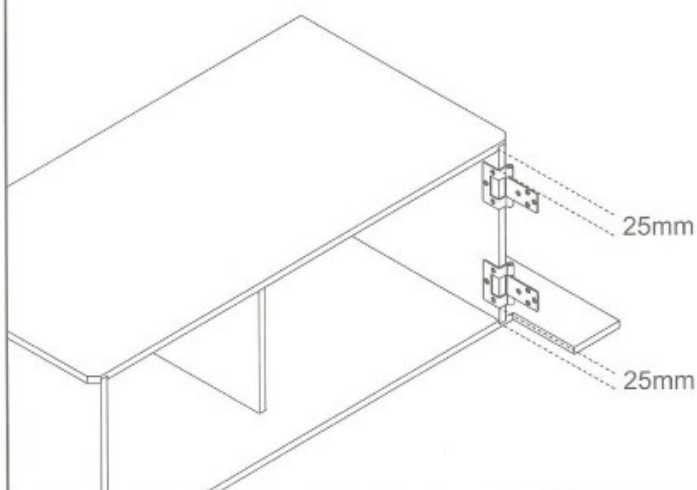
Apply glue to side of parts **C5** and **A11** and locate small steps **C5** as shown.



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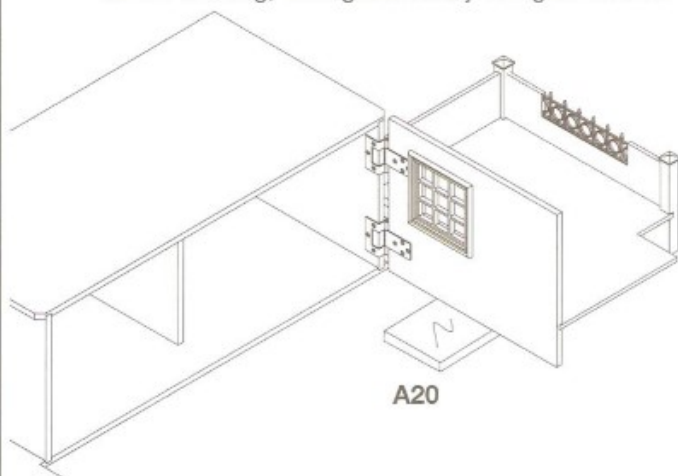
Locate cranked hinges **B2** as shown.



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Use the Gap Guide **A20** to support the RH opening panel. Offer the panel to the carcase and mark one hole through each hinge.

Drill 1.5mm pilot holes and fit one screw in each hinge. Check door moves freely and adjust if required before marking, drilling and finally fitting all screws.



A20

Repeat steps 32 and 33 for other side of carcase.

FITTING MAGNET

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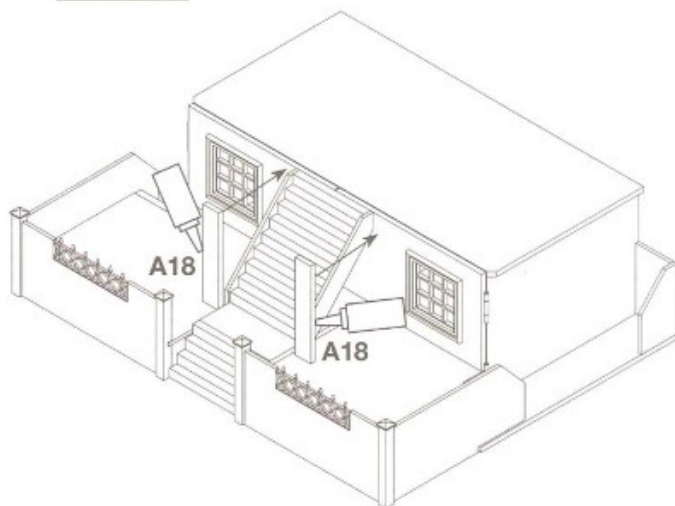
Apply glue to hole in door panel, locate magnet and allow to dry. Put small amount of water, ink or paint on magnet and close door. Open door and fit the striking plate where mark occurs on the carcase.

NB. To fit striking plate, drill 1.5mm pilot hole no deeper than 5mm and apply PVA glue into hole before fitting screw.

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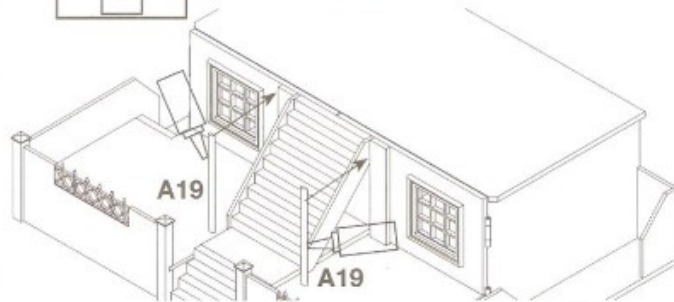
Position Flat Columns **A18** with Blue Tack. Check opening panel opens freely prior to gluing.



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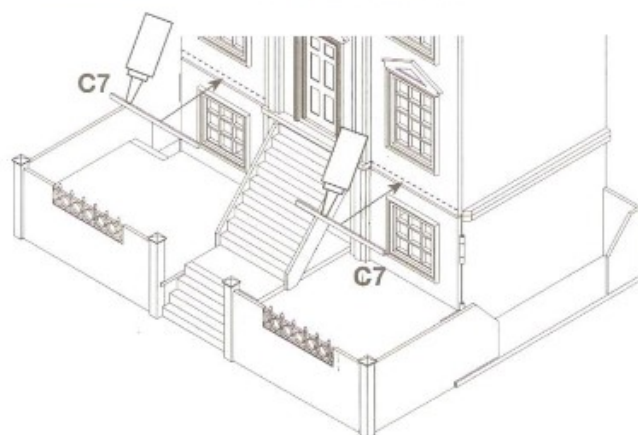
Apply glue to Half Round Columns **A19** and locate as shown.



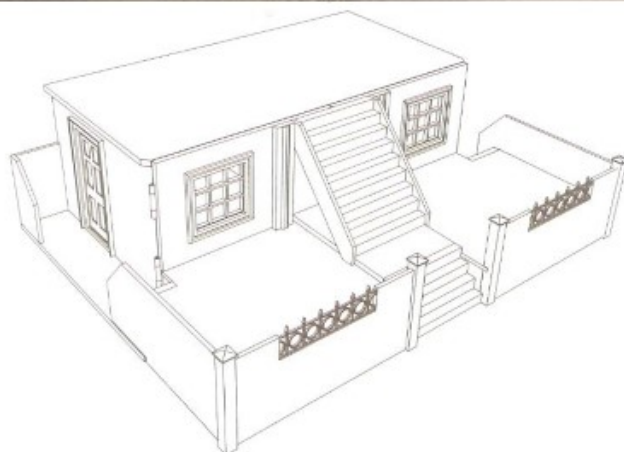
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Apply glue to Horizontal Strips **C7** and locate as shown. Optional on The Classical Dolls' House.



YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED YOUR CLASSICAL BASEMENT



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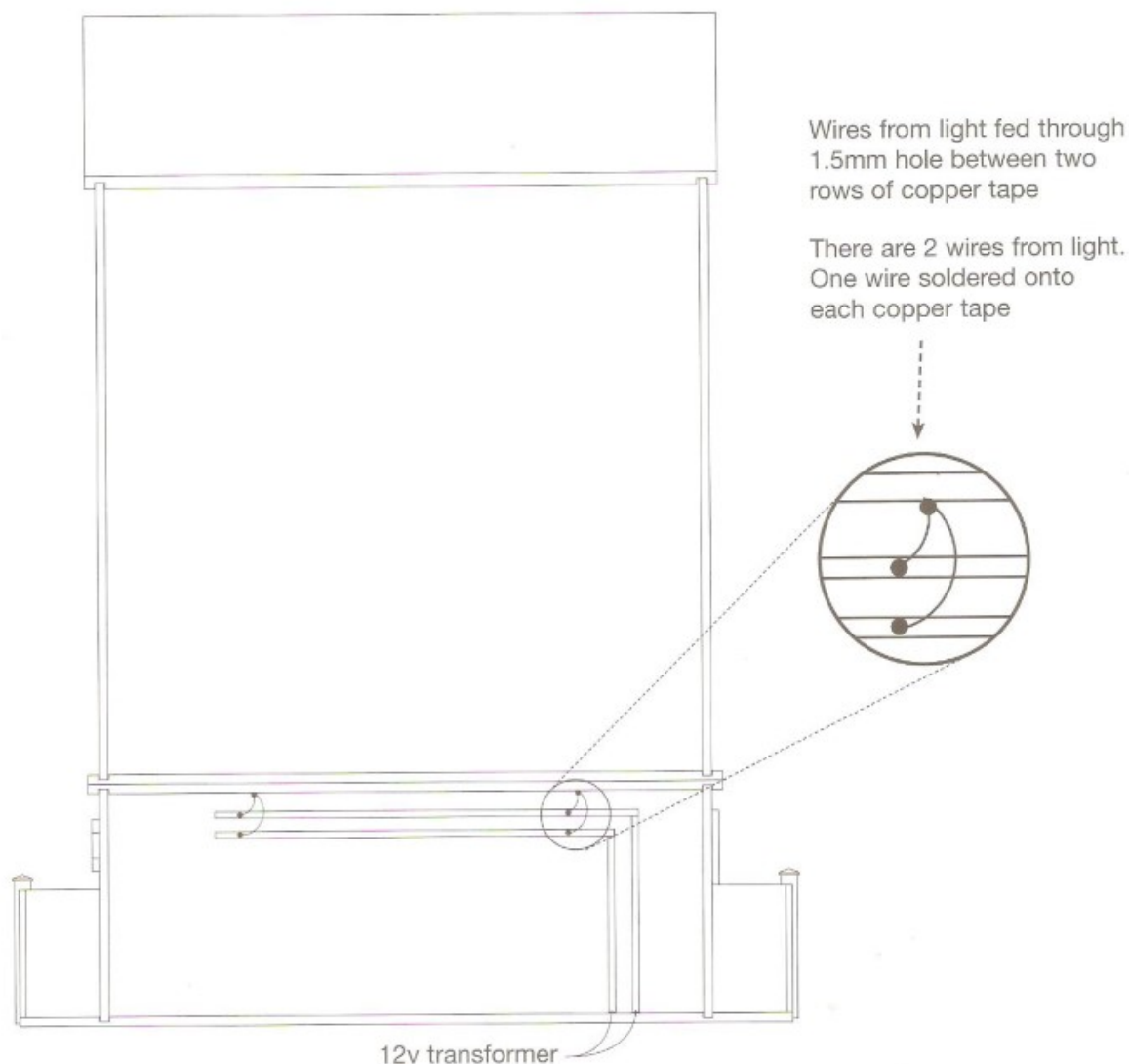
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COPPER WIRING LAYOUT FOR THE CLASSICAL BASEMENT, LOCATED ON BACK

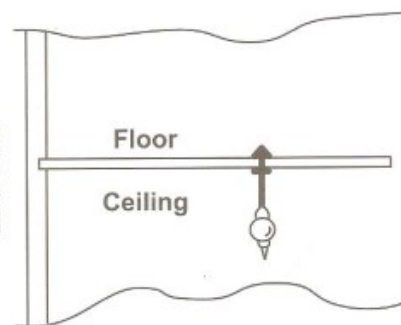
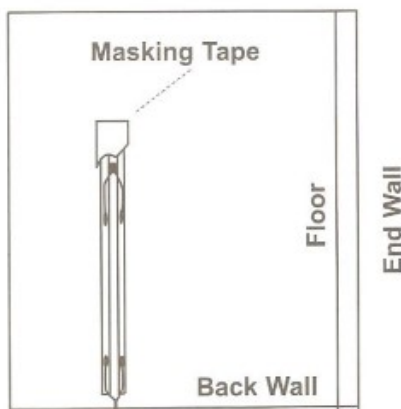
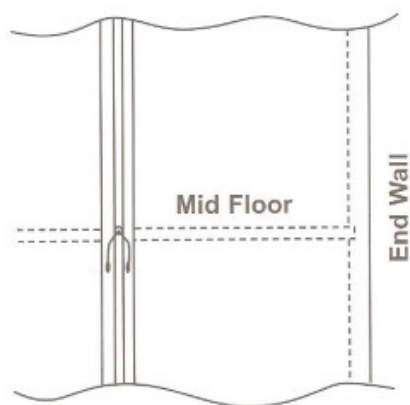


Diagrams to show fitting of a hanging light

1. View From Back

2. "Birds Eye View" of Floor, before flooring is laid

3. View From Front



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