



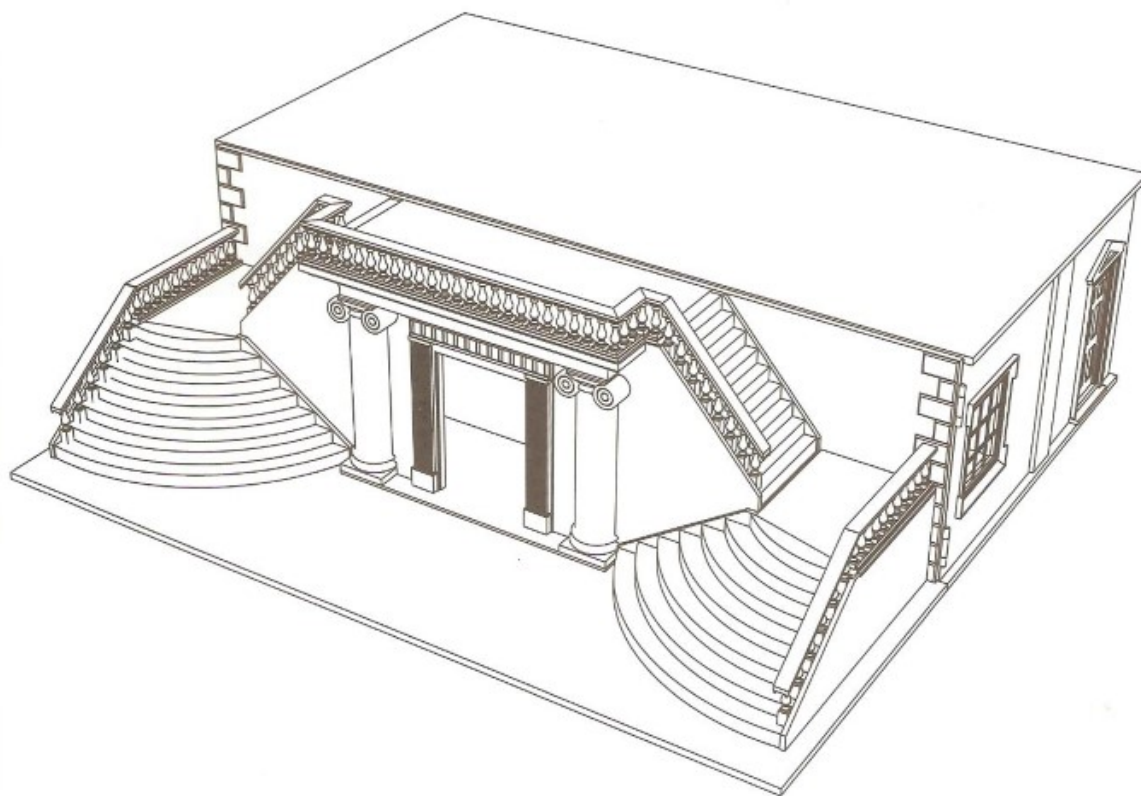
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GROSVENOR HALL BASEMENT KIT INSTRUCTIONS

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 01 773 514 404 and our staff will ensure that the problem is dealt with promptly.

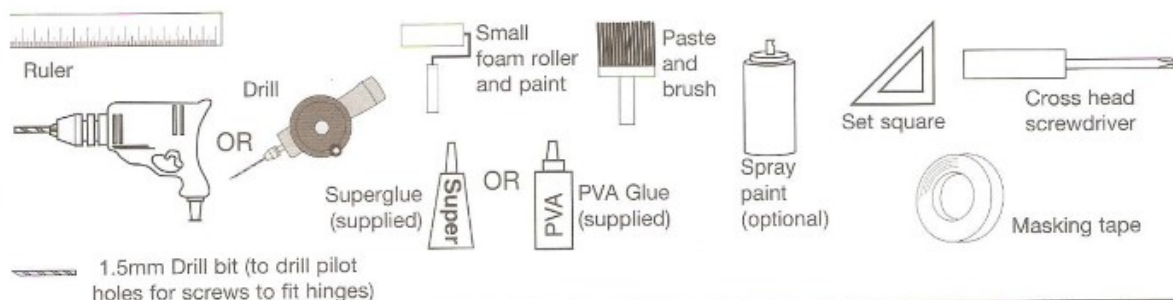
We recommend that all Dolls House Emporium kits are dry built first. Please read through all the instructions carefully before commencing. If, at any stage you would like any advice or assistance, please ring us on 01 773 514 410 and we will be pleased to answer any queries.

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

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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 carcase 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.

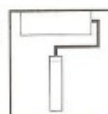


PAINTING TIPS

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.

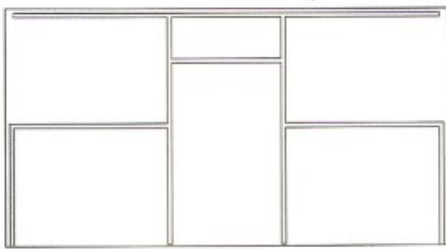
WIRING INFORMATION

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



GROSVENOR HALL BASEMENT KIT PARTS (not to scale)

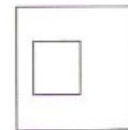
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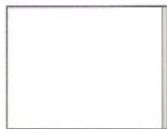
Base Panel **A1** (x1)
Top Panel **A26** (Wiring slots) (x1)



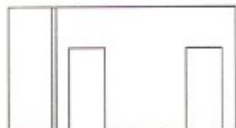
Back Panel **A2**



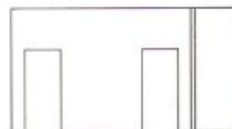
Left/Right Hand
Wall **A3** (x2)



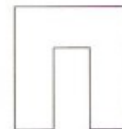
Mid Wall **A4**
(x2)



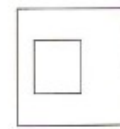
Mid Wall **A5**



Mid Wall **A6**



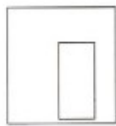
Back Wall **A7**



Left Hand Side
Panel **A8**



Archi Column
A9 (x2)



Side Opening
Panel **A10**



Right hand
Front Panel **A11**



Garden Panel **A12**



Landing Side
Wall **A13**



Stair Side
Wall **A14**



Landing Support
Wall **A15** (x2)



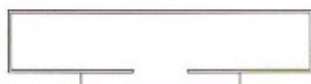
Landing
A16



Lift Off Side
A17 (x2)



Left Hand Front
panel **A18**



Lift Off Base
Panel **A19**



Landing Side
Wall **A20**



Stair Side
Wall **A21**



Landing **A22**



Gap Guide
A26



Stair Back
Panel **A23**



Landing **A24**

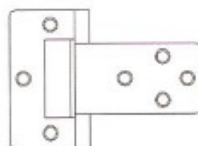


Stair Front
Panel **A25**

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Bag of Bits:
Magnet and Striking Plate **B1** (x2)
Screws for 2 Hinges **B3** (x4)
PVA Glue 180g **B5**
Superglue **B6**
Door Knob **B7** (x2) 



Cranked Hinge **B2** (x8)



Internal Door **C1** (x5)
(inc rear architrave **C1a**)



Window **C2** (x3)
(inc rear architrave **C2a**)



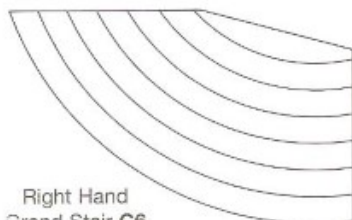
External Door **C3**
(inc rear architrave **C3a**)



Portico **C4**



Door Step **C5**



Right Hand
Grand Stair **C6**



Balustrade 1
C7 (x2)



Balustrade Capping 3
C10 (x2)



Stairs **C11** (x2)



Balustrade 3
C12 (x16)



Trim **C13**



Door
Surround
C14



Columns **C15**
(x2)



Balustrade
Capping 8 **C20** (x2)



Balustrade
Capping 9 **C21**



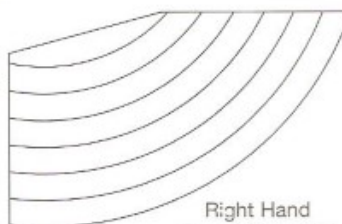
Balustrade
Capping 6 **C18**



Balustrade
Capping 11 **C23**



Balustrade
Capping 10 **C22**



Right Hand
Grand Stair **C24**



Large
Cornerstones
C25 (x6)



Small
Cornerstones
C26 (x6)



Half
Cornerstones
C27 (x10)



Balustrade 2
C29 (x12)



Balcony
Handrail 1 **C30**



Balcony
Handrail 2 **C31**



Balcony
Handrail 3 **C32**



Landing
Handrail **C33** (x2)

CONSTRUCTION

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

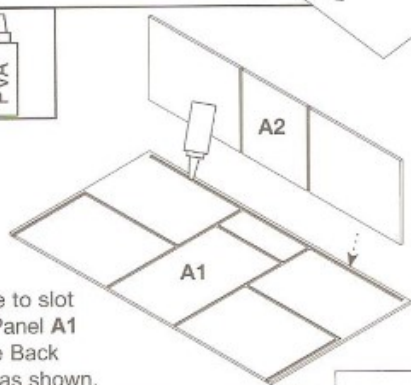
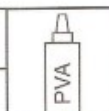
NB: Whilst you dry build the kit, it is an ideal time to mark the panels and parts (lightly with pencil) that you wish to paint or treat before construction (eg. ceiling, scotia strips, porticos, windows, doors etc).

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.

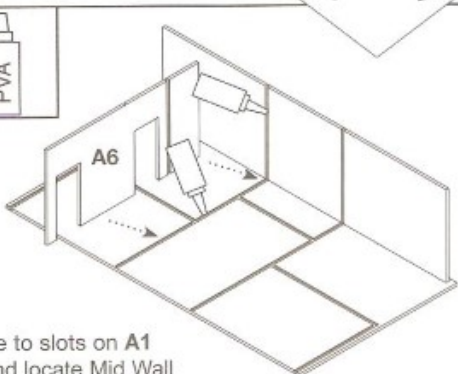
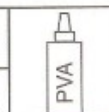
Happy building !

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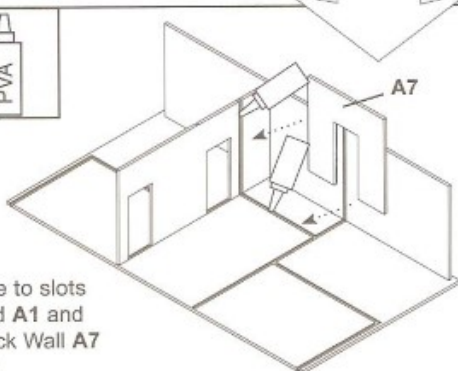
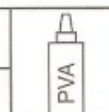
Apply glue to slot on Base Panel A1 and locate Back Panel A2 as shown.

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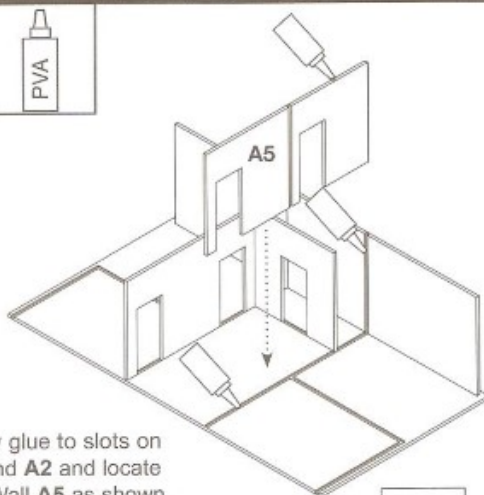
Apply glue to slots on A1 and A2 and locate Mid Wall A6 as shown.

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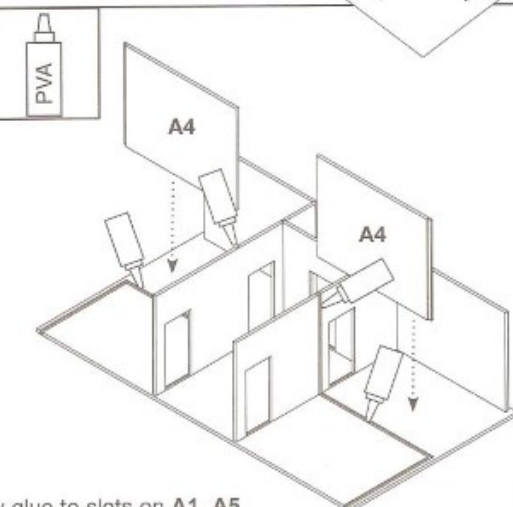
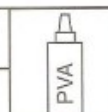
Apply glue to slots on A6 and A1 and locate Back Wall A7 as shown.

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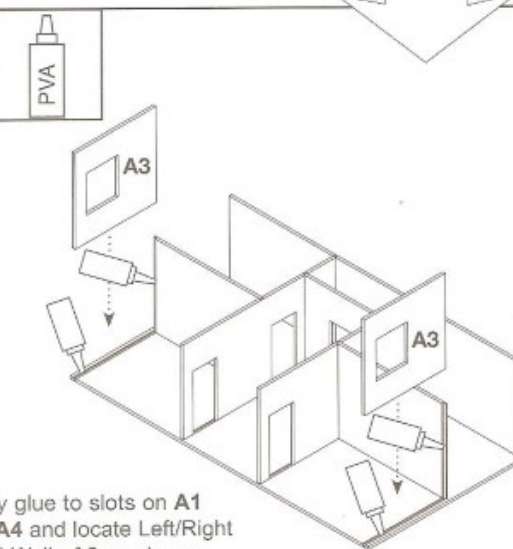
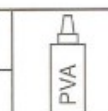
Apply glue to slots on A1 and A2 and locate Mid Wall A5 as shown.

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Apply glue to slots on A1, A5 and A6 and locate Mid Walls A4 as shown.

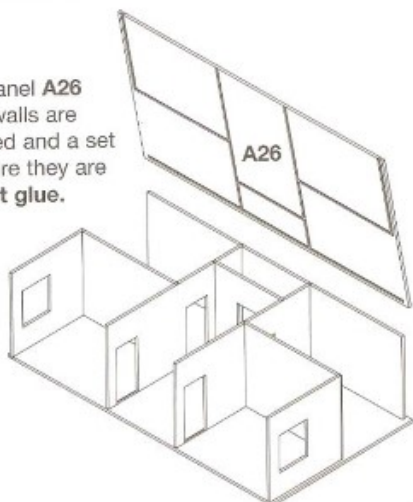
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Apply glue to slots on A1 and A4 and locate Left/Right Hand Walls A3 as shown.

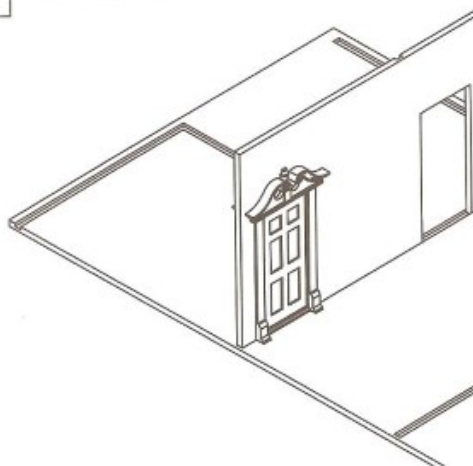
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Use the Top Panel **A26** to ensure the walls are correctly aligned and a set square to ensure they are vertical. **Do not glue.** Leave to dry.



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Fit all doors now.

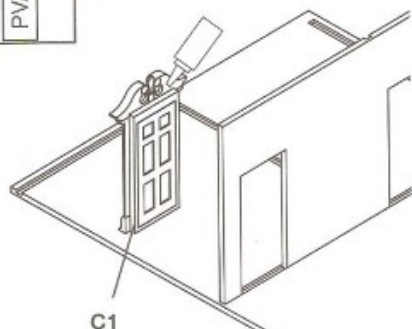


FITTING DOORS

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Apply glue to rear of Internal Door **C1** and locate as shown.

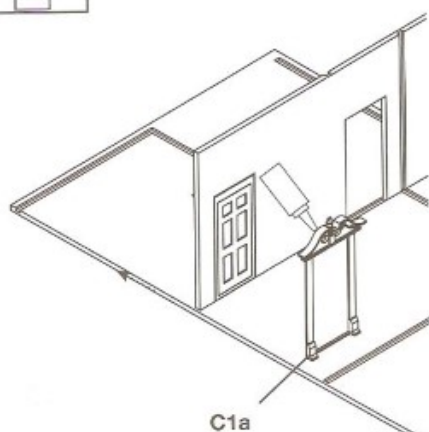


Shown with panels removed for ease of view.

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Apply glue to rear of Architrave **C1a** and locate as shown.



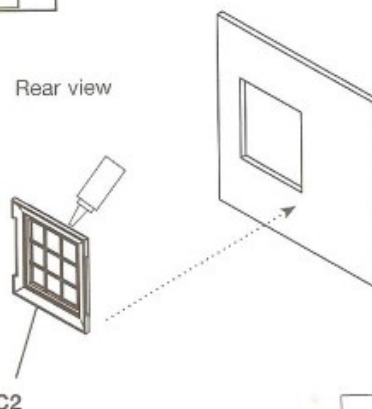
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Apply glue to rear of Window **C2** and locate as shown.

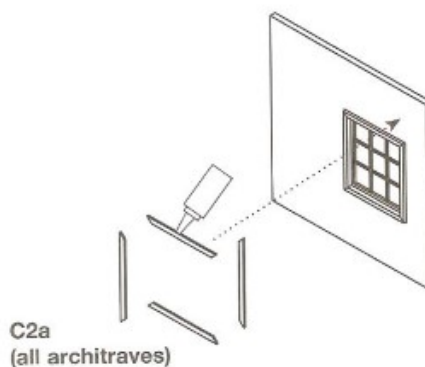
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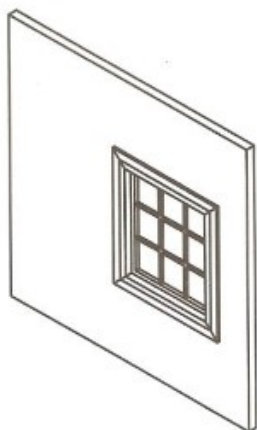
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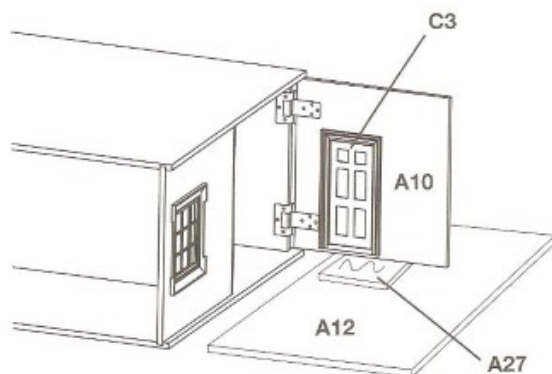
Apply glue to rear of Architraves **C2a** and locate as shown.



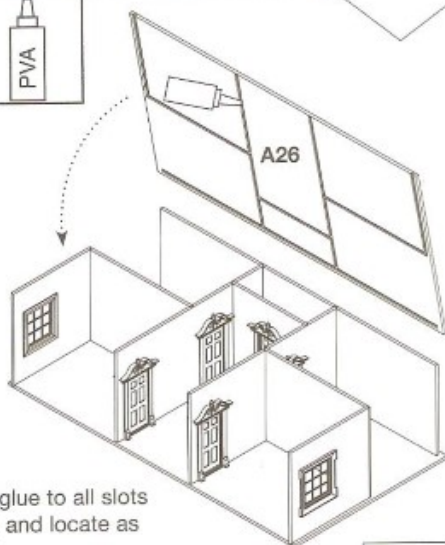
14 Fit all windows now.



17 Attach Side Opening Panel **A10** to hinges. Use Garden Panel **A12** and Gap Guide **A27** to hold **A10** in position.

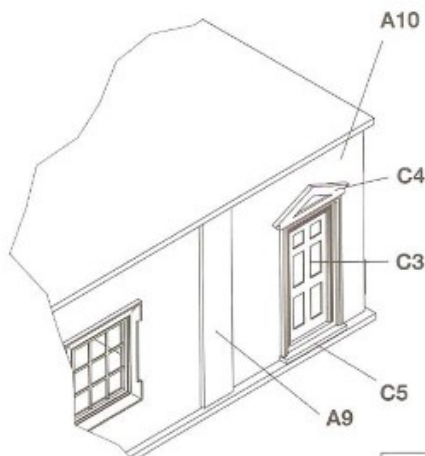


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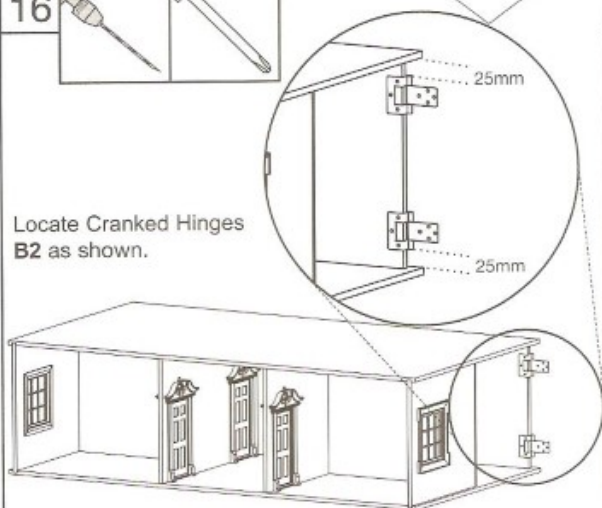
Apply glue to all slots in **A26** and locate as shown.

18 Apply glue to Portico **C4**, Door Step **C5** and Archi Column **A9** and locate onto Side Opening Panel **A10**.

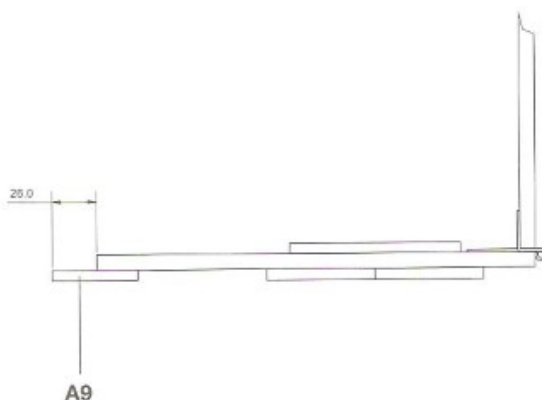


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Locate Cranked Hinges **B2** as shown.

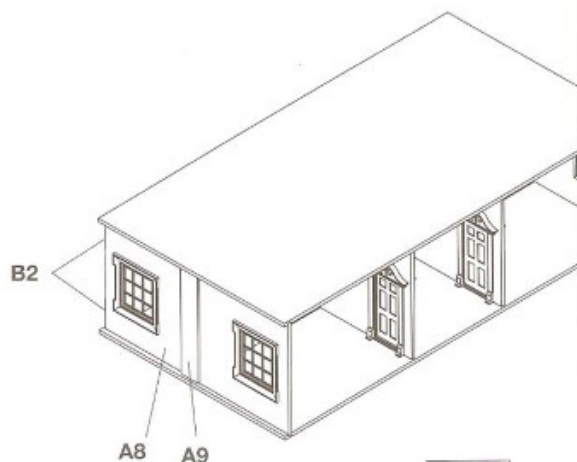


19 Overhead view showing position of **A9**.



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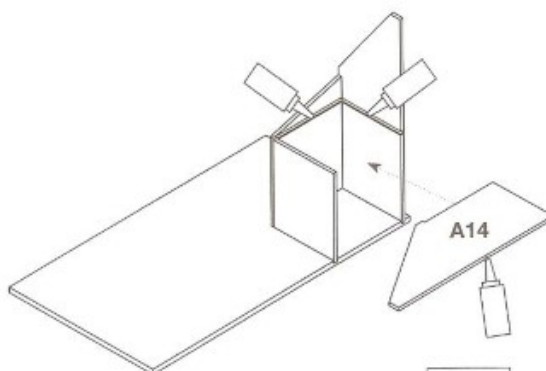
Use the same method to fit Cranked Hinges **B2**, Left Hand Side Panel **A8** and Archi Column **A9**.



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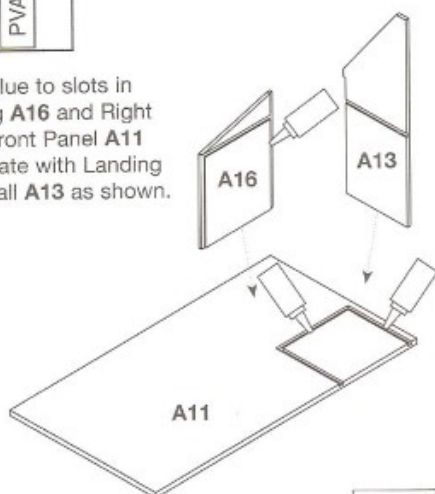
Apply glue to slots in **A16**, **A13** and Stair Side Wall **A14** and locate as shown.



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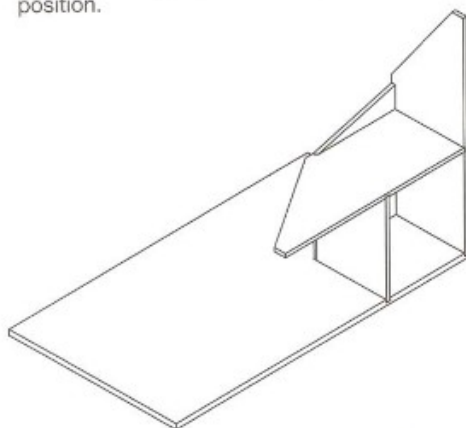


Apply glue to slots in Landing **A16** and Right Hand Front Panel **A11** and locate with Landing Side Wall **A13** as shown.



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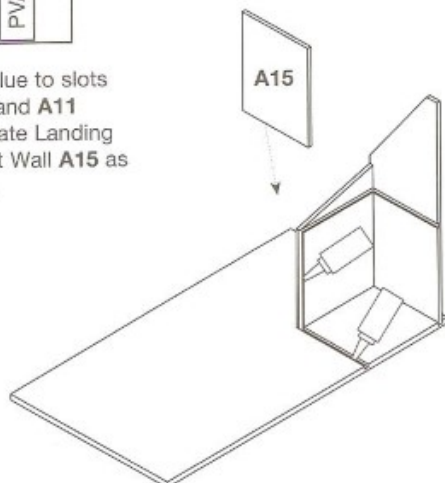
Ensure assembly is 'square' and allow to dry. **NB:** It may be useful to use masking tape to hold in position.



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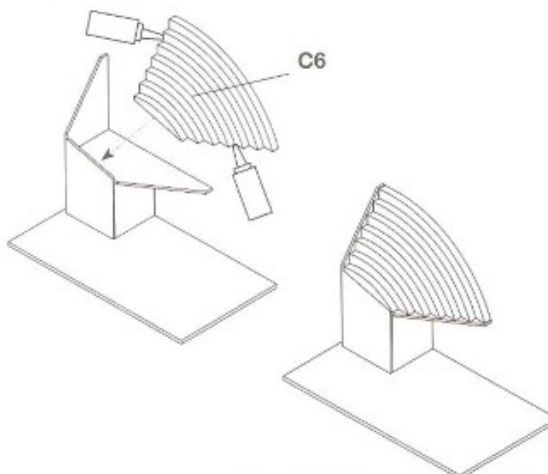


Apply glue to slots in **A16** and **A11** and locate Landing Support Wall **A15** as shown.



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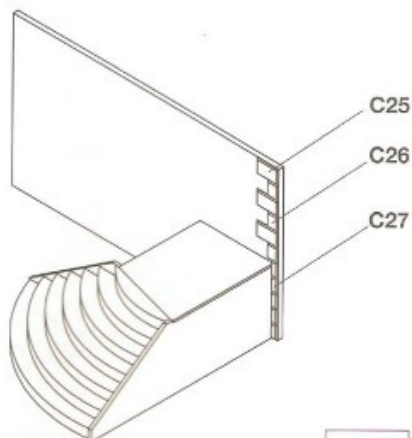
Apply glue to Right Hand Grand Stair **C6** and locate as shown. Allow to dry.



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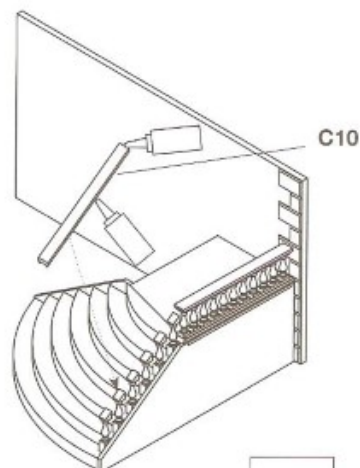
Apply glue and fit cornerstones **C25**, **C26** and **C27** and locate as shown.



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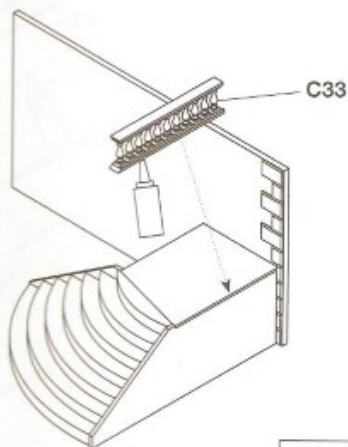
Apply glue to Balustrade Capping 3 **C10** and locate as shown.



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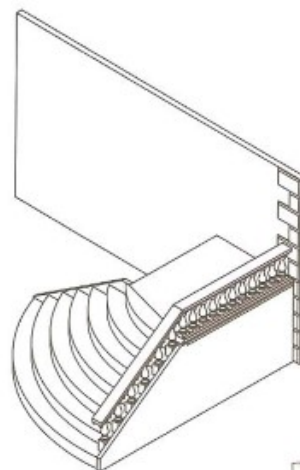


Apply glue and locate Landing Handrail **C33** as shown.



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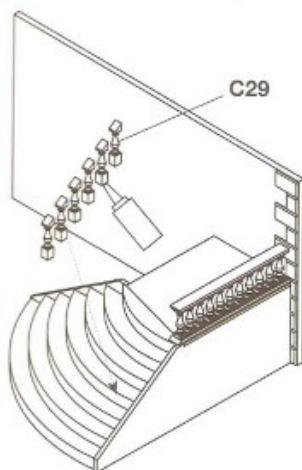
Right Hand Front Opening Panel complete.



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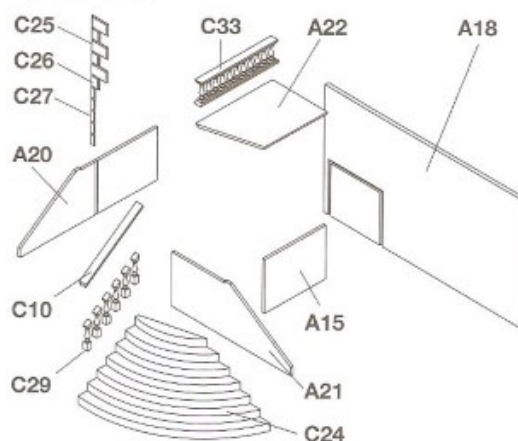
Apply glue and locate Balustrade 2 **C29** as shown.



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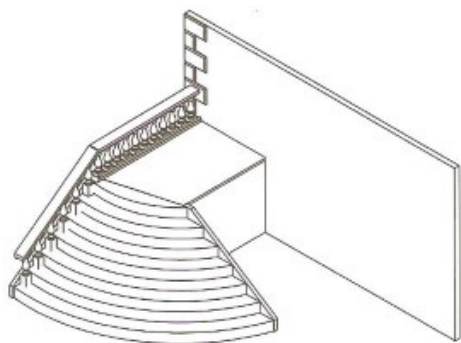


Use the same technique to assemble Left Hand Front Opening Panel now.



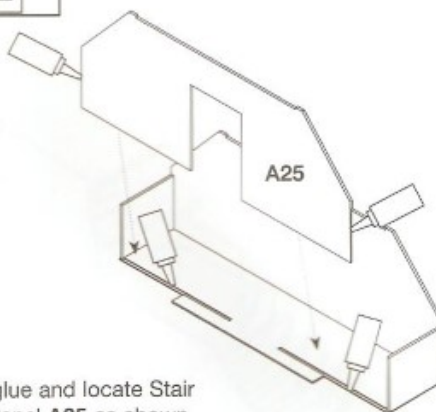
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Left Hand Front Opening Panel complete.



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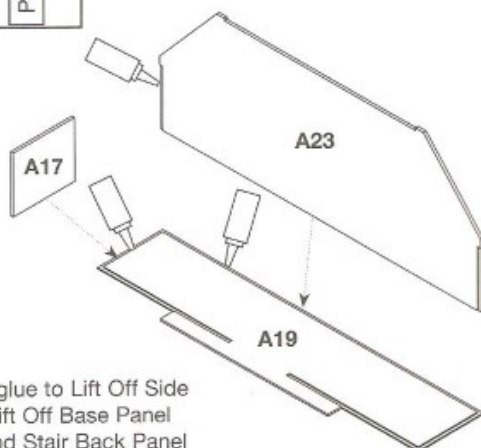
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Apply glue and locate Stair Front Panel A25 as shown.

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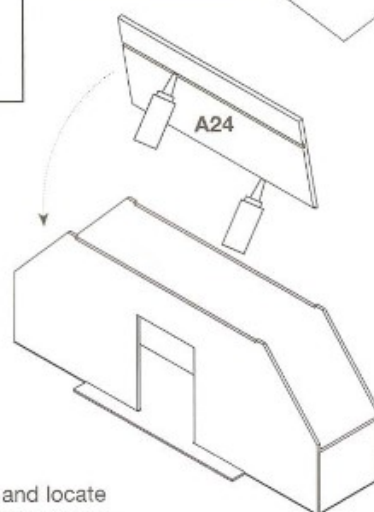
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Apply glue to Lift Off Side A17, Lift Off Base Panel A19 and Stair Back Panel A23 and locate as shown.

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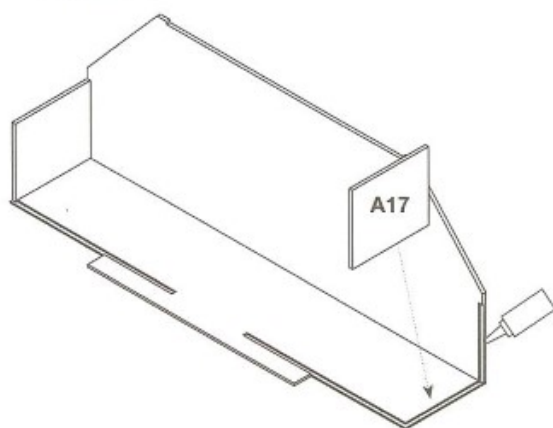


Apply glue and locate Landing A24 as shown.

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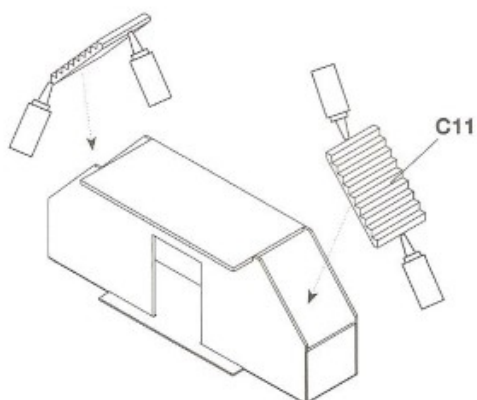
Apply glue to Lift Off Side A17 and locate as shown.



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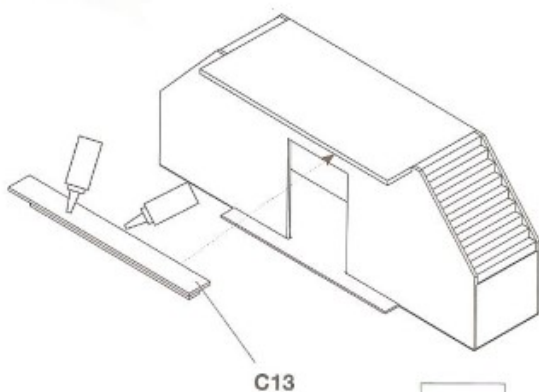
Apply glue and locate Stairs C11 as shown.



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Apply glue to Trim **C13** and locate as shown.



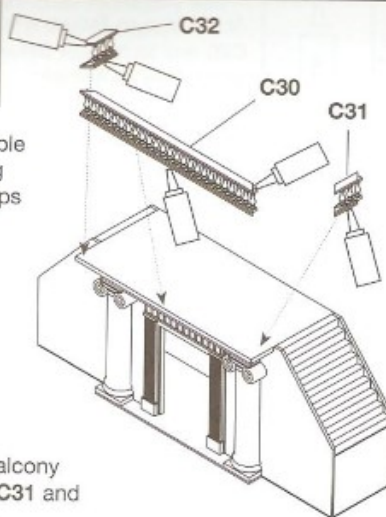
C13

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NB: Dry assemble the entire railing assemblies (steps 41-45) before glueing.

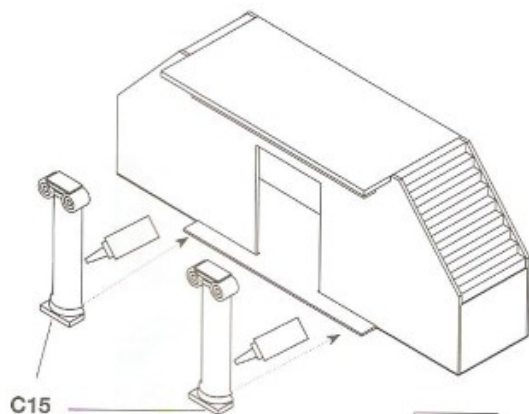
Apply glue to Balcony Handrails **C30**, **C31** and **C32** and locate.



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Apply glue and locate Columns **C15** as shown.

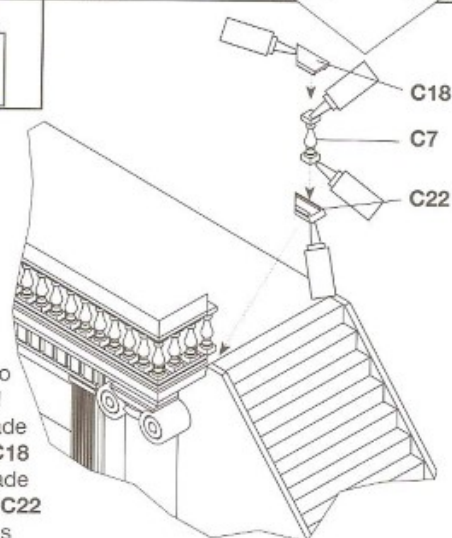


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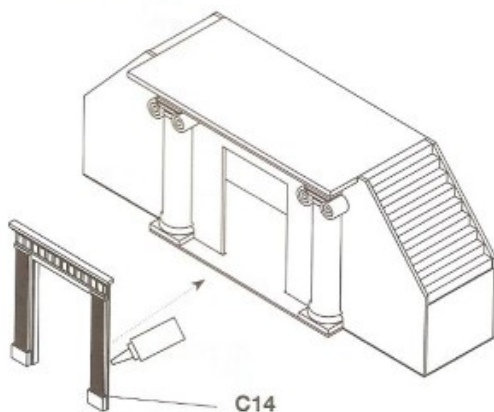
Apply glue to Balustrade 1 **C7**, Balustrade Capping 6 **C18** and Balustrade Capping 10 **C22** and locate as shown.



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Apply glue and locate Door Surround **C14** as shown.

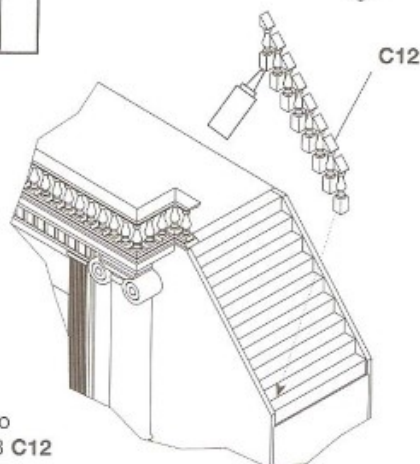


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Apply glue to Balustrade 3 **C12** and locate.

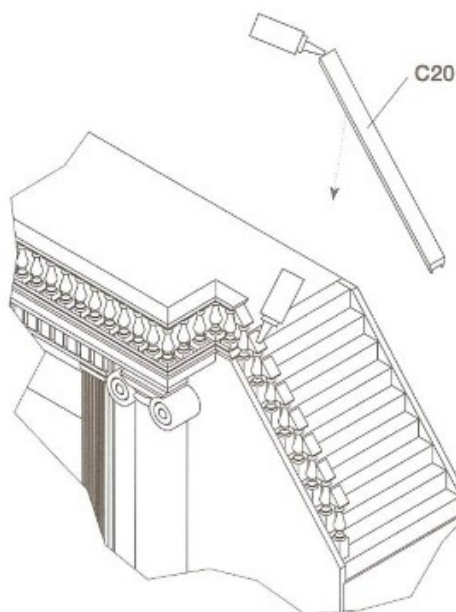


C12

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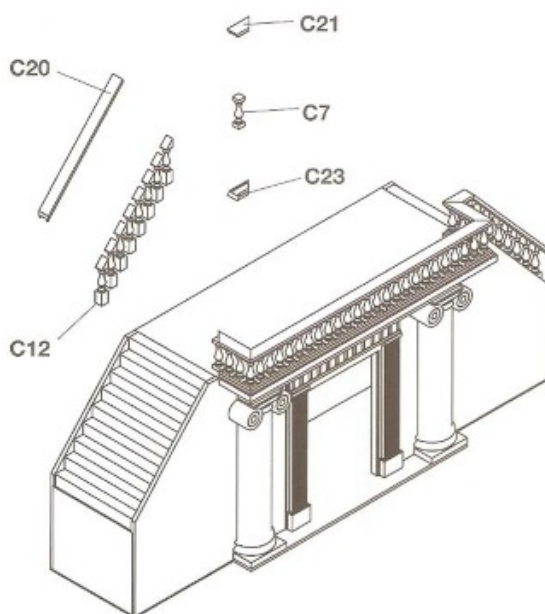
Apply glue to Balustrade Capping 8 **C20** and to tops of Balustrade 3 **C12** and locate as shown.



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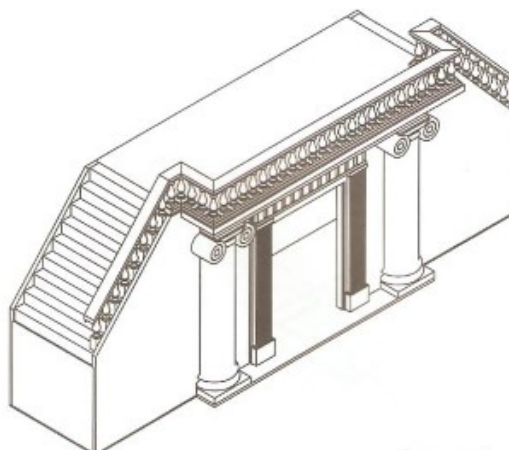


Using the same technique, repeat for the other side.



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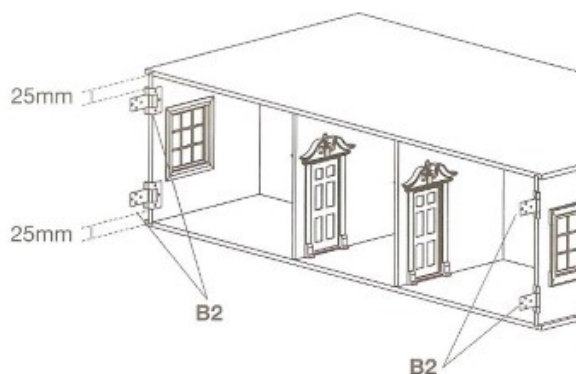
Front Stair Assembly complete. Allow to dry.



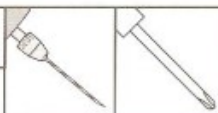
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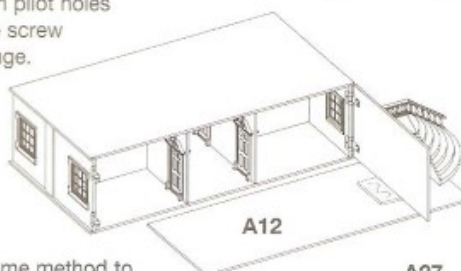
Locate Cranked Hinges **B2** onto carcass as shown.



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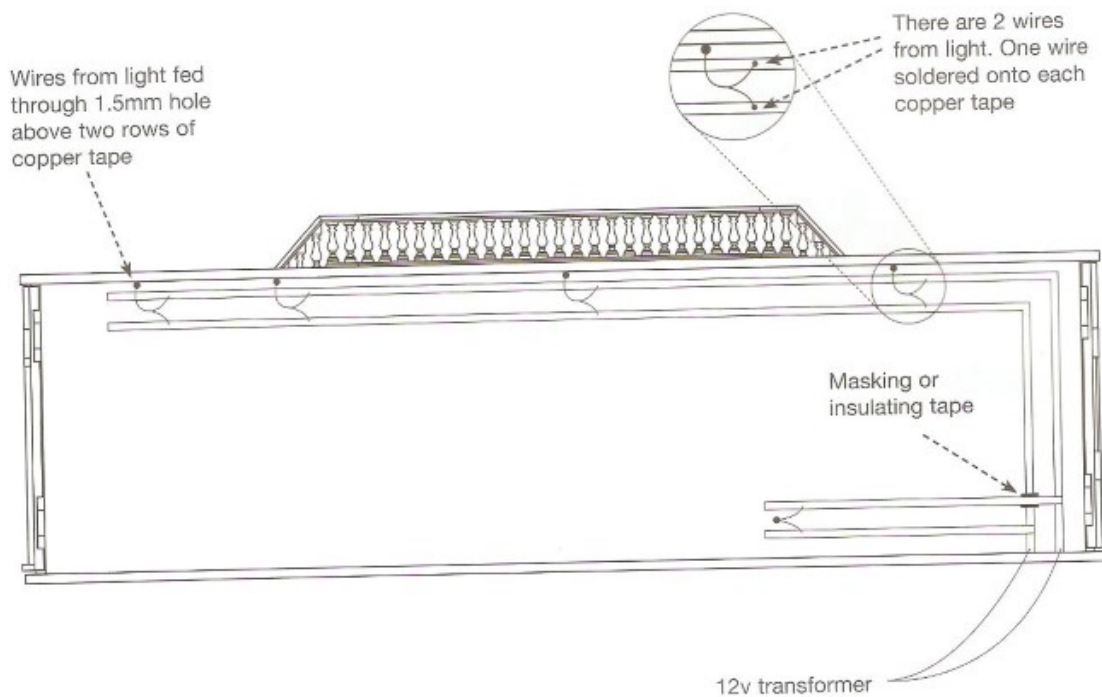


On a flat surface, use the gap guide on top of the Garden Panel to support the RH Front Opening Assembly. Offer the panel to the carcass and mark one hole through each hinge. Drill 1.5mm pilot holes and fit one screw in each hinge.



Use the same method to fix LH Front Opening Assembly. Open and close both panels, check they are correct, adjust if required before marking, drilling and finally fitting all screws.

COPPER WIRING LAYOUT FOR GROSVENOR HALL BASEMENT, LOCATED ON BACK

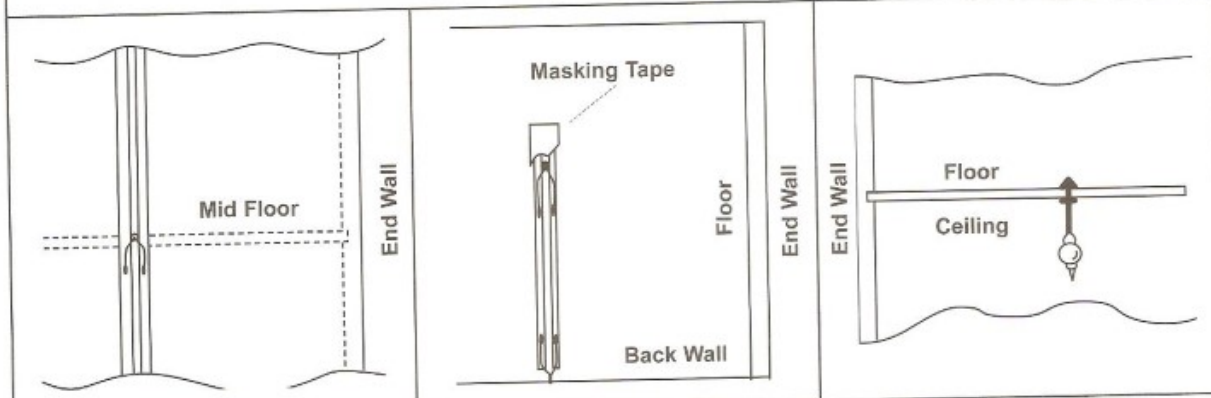


Diagrams to show fitting of a hanging light

1. View From Back

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

3. View From Front



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