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AUTHOR: Frank Lloyd Wright

The article is discussing about the individuality of the building and the spiritual integrity of the environment that are losing at the time. Those people only care about the fashionable of their buildings or is their house good enough as their neighbors'? They don't care about the idea of dignity of the building as long as it provides shelter and warm. This will be affecting the country's development in architecture as no one is contributing in conserving the country's own style of architecture.

Also, Frank Lloyd Wright mentioned that the sense of organic is indispensable to an architect. A building doesn't need fancy decorations to make it looks rich. The ornamentations are being used for the sake of ornamentations, covering the flaws in the design that it would be considered as meaningless. Decorations are dangerous unless we are sure that it's working in our design or else it will just become an unnecessary element on the surface of the buildings.

Besides, the article mentioned about the sense of industrialization with the application of machines while it can work faster and better than hands. The use of concrete, steel and terra-cotta have been applied as well and result in a more plastic art.

A true building should be able to grow with its site, harmonize with its environment with its own characteristics that will not be faded as time goes by. It should not grow only to fit the process but to explore what is truly inspiring, integrate with the lovely sense of organic to idealize the character of the building and maintain the harmony relationship with its users. But, in my opinion, it is not necessary that a building has to be inspired by the sense of organic as mentioned, it could be inspired by the context or history on site. The sense of organic in architecture might be lovely and elegant but it doesn't suit all forms or architecture in a way that maybe some of the buildings are meant to be more surrealistic? In this case, the use of materials are different as well when the concept behind the design is changed. The idea of industrialization using the materials of concrete and steel is elegant but it might restrict some other designs with their own characteristics and dignity? The concept of simplicity might come out with elegant and beautiful designs but some of the designs might need different creative designs in terms of form, elements in the buildings, colors and even decorations to bring out the characteristic of its concept such as some works done by Frank Ghery. So, it is not a good method to restrict how the building should be designed or how it should look like. The true building should looks like itself with its own characteristics and dignity that grows together with the changing world.

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Key points (2.5)	
Appropriateness of Terminologies (2.5)	
Clarity in Opinions and Reactions (2.5)	
Logical Progression (2.5)	
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Grades	Marks	Key points (2.5)	Appropriateness of Terminologies (2.5)	Clarity in Opinions and Reactions (2.5)	Logical Progression (2.5)
A	1.8 2.5	- Evidence of outstanding understanding of Key points through clear explanation	Appropriate use of Terminologies In discussing the Issues/ Concepts/Theories	Outstanding Clarity in opinions and reactions - Supported with strong Logical explanation	Outstanding Articulation of logical expressions ending with well-developed paragraphs
B	1.5 1.79	- Evidence of understanding of Key points through reasonable explanation	Reasonable use of Terminologies In discussing the Issues/ Concepts/Theories with Minor unfamiliarity	Reasonable clarity in opinions and reactions - Supported with Logical explanation	Reasonable Articulation of logical expressions ending with well-developed paragraphs
C	1.25 1.49	- Evidence of Some Understanding of Key points through acceptable explanation	Acceptable use of Terminologies In discussing the Issues/ Concepts/Theories with Noticeable unfamiliarity	Acceptable Clarity in opinions and reactions - Supported with satisfactory explanation	Acceptable Articulation of logical expressions ending with some ambiguous statements
D	1 1.24	- Evidence of Some Understanding of Key points through not quite acceptable explanation	Evidence of Terminologies however poorly communicated in discussing The Issues/ Concepts/Theories With	Weak Clarity in opinions and reactions - Supported with Lengthy explanation	Poor Articulation of logical expressions ending with noticeable ambiguous statements
F	0 0.99	- Insufficient Evidence of Understanding of Key points through weak explanation	Insufficient Evidence of Terminologies in discussing the Issues/ Concepts/Theories With	Improper opinions and reactions. Not Matching the Issues/ Concepts/ Theories - Inadequate Reasons	Unable to Articulate / illogical expressions. Poorly written synopsis.