

**Roman and Neo-Classic Architecture:
Roman Colosseum
U.S. Capitol**

Please refer to notes and project ideas included in the folder for this lesson.
Folders are in the art appreciation area of the PTA office.

You will also find posters of the art in the PTA office. You should hang this in the classroom or hallway for at least a week before your lesson, so the students become familiar with it and curious about it.



Roman Colosseum



U. S. Capitol

INTRO IDEAS

You may want to open discussion with ... what is architecture?, what are some types of architecture? Then give some history and characteristics of Greek and Roman (these types are known as "Classic") architecture.

Then you can compare the Roman Colosseum to the U.S. Capitol building. The U.S. Capitol is Neo-Classic, or styled after Classic architecture.

It may be interesting to talk about why these were good designs when considering the use of these buildings. What does an architect need to consider when designing a building? Location, weather, materials, function, aesthetics.

There is a lot of great info in the folder.

PROJECT IDEAS

You can make a model of one of the buildings, or try the Millionaire's Book Tower for a fun project!

After your lesson, please don't forget to send home a letter to the parents explaining the art and what their student learned.