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## History of Bungalow Style

- Originally from Bengal region in South Asia
- Name from Indian Hindustani word "Bangala", meaning belonging to Bengal
- First built by British Army officers in India in the 19<sup>th</sup> century (mix of western architecture styles and local styles)
- End of 19<sup>th</sup> century: Spread around the world from Britain
- In America: houses were built mostly to sell to working class families in 1900 – 1930



## Locations Bungalow Styles are Found

- Countries that Bungalow style can be seen:
  - Australia, Bangladesh, Great Britain, India, Malaysia, Singapore, most of North America, some part of Europe and southern Africa
- Bungalows are been used in many countries around the world
- Although details may not be the same, because of climate, material, and how it got introduced (local culture reflecting on styles)

## Common Features

- Usually 1 1.5 stories
- Low or medium pitched roof, often with broad eaves
- Entry typically opens directly into living room
- Have big porch, columns, steps and gables at front
- Often have exposed rafters, joists and beams
- Siding varies. Stucco is common for many California or Craftsman style. Others like Chicago-style bungalows use bricks
- Building materials varies because there are many different styles

## Visual Designs

- Visual elements and principles varies by different styles
- Usually asymmetrical balance, but can be symmetrical
- Open space for front porch
- Can be both warm and cool color
- Vertical line due to the columns
- Diagonal line and emphasis at the Gable
- Rough texture



## Inside Details

- Open floor plan maximized for efficiency
- Flow from room to room with minimal space wasted on hallways
- Large space for living room
- Natural materials used for interior
- Exposed Rafters and Beams





- Bungalows have many different kinds of styles such as Cottage, Cabin, Rustic, Craftsman, California, Chicago, Queen Anne, Prairie, Spanish, Tudor, etc.
- Happened because of broad definition of bungalow style
- Also because the bungalows were a huge trend, and can be seen in many places, many architects mixed other style of architecture to bungalow getting localized to the climate and styles used there
- From this many substyles were created
- Many design of the different styles overlaps, and some can contain multiple styles in one building

#### American Craftsman Bungalow

- Typified the common styles of the American Arts and Crafts movement
- Often with shingle siding and stone details. The structural components are often visible, especially around the corners of the home and the gables. Also have the big porch and pillars





#### California Bungalow

- Arts and Crafts style combined with Hispanic style as a accent
- Look lighter compared to craftsman style
- Have lower pitched roofs, lighter tone of color, and uses less stone and bricks





#### Queen Anne Bungalow

- Have medium-pitched roof (sometimes with one or two dormer windows), brick chimneys, and decorated windows
- Usually have gables only on one side





#### Chicago Bungalow

- Chicago Bungalows have the solid brick construction and the large, front facing dormer
- Some of the Chicago Bungalow doesn't have the big front porch





# Advantage and Disadvantage Living in Bungalow Today

Advantage	Disadvantage
Accessibility (everything is on one floor)	Cost per area (only one floor makes more expensive than 2 story house)
Aesthetics	Security
Good Investment (prices are going up)	Less privacy
Easier to fix	

# Similar and Opposite Styles

- Similar architectural style: Neo-Eclectic
  - Use of similar materials
  - Overall texture
  - Front facing Gables
- Opposite style: modern style
  - Difference in materials used
  - Textures
  - Forms and shapes are different

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