



# LET'S TALK CONSTRUCTION

Instructions: Each construction term on this term list has a number. Place the number on the line above the definition to match the definition with the correct construction term. These terms also form a great residential construction vocabulary list!

1. \_\_\_\_\_

**supporting beam:** a horizontal beam that supports the weight of the wall above a window or door

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**length measurer:** a long roll or strip of fabric, plastic, paper, or thin metal that is marked off in inches or centimeters and used for measuring

3. \_\_\_\_\_

**supporting beam:** any of the parallel beams of wood, metal, or concrete that support a floor, roof, or ceiling

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**window projecting from roof:** a window for a room within the roof space that is built out at right angles to the main roof and has its own gable

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**sloping roof support:** any of the sloping supporting timbers, beams, or boards that run from the ridge beam of a roof to its edge

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**layered board:** a type of board made by gluing and compressing thin layers of wood together with the grain of each layer at right angles to the layer next to it

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**peak of building's side wall:** the triangular top section of a side wall on a building with a pitched roof that fills the space beneath where the roof slopes meet



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**support something with load-bearing members:** to support or strengthen a roof, bridge, or other elevated structure with a network of beams and bars

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**flat surface on building:** the flat horizontal surface immediately below the edge of a roof

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**flat plate reinforcing a joint:** a flat, often triangular plate, usually of steel or plywood, used to connect and reinforce a joint where several members meet at different angles, for example, in a pitched roof

## Construction Terms List

1 **Dormer**

2 **Fascia**

3 **Gable**

4 **Gusset**

5 **Joist**

6 **Lintel**

7 **Plywood**

8 **Rafter**

9 **Tape Measure**

10 **Trusses**



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