Your favorite celebrity is looking for an architect to design his or her dream home. The best architect will be given one million dollars for the design. The celebrity is extremely wealthy, so you don’t have to worry about how much it will cost. You must come up with a proposal to give the celebrity for approval. Designing a home requires many steps. You will have to work hard and do a great job to impress the celebrity. Most of the work will be done in class, but you must prepare the final proposal at home.

**Step One: Celebrity Paragraph** - Decide on your celebrity. This may be anyone alive or not, real, or fantasy. However, your celebrity must be someone well known to the general public. Research your celebrity in books, Internet articles, or other resources. Write a one paragraph description. This could be a brief biography, history, or explanation of the celebrity and why he or she is well-known.

**Step Two: Interview and List** - Pretend to interview your celebrity and learn about what is wanted in the dream home. Where does the celebrity want the mansion…at the beach, in the woods, in the city, or maybe in the desert? What does the celebrity plan to do at home? Does he or she want any special rooms or outdoor spaces? Your celebrity might want a recording studio, screening room, six car garage, or helicopter landing spot. Be sure you know the particulars your celebrity wants before you begin planning the mansion. Make a list of all the things your celebrity wants in the mansion.

**Step Three: Front of House** - Use the Internet or other resources to get some ideas for the outside of your mansion. What do you want it to look like? Will it have two or three stories? Will it have lots of windows? What style of architecture would your celebrity like to have? Once you have decided on the style, draw the front of the house. You may use graph paper or dot paper. Be sure to use a ruler to make straight lines. Include landscaping in your drawing.

**Step Four: Floor Plan** - Study floor plans online and in class. Using appropriate symbols and graphics, create a floor plan of at least one level of your Celebrity Mansion. This should include all rooms, closets, walls, windows, doors, stairs, etc.

**Step Five: One Room Floor Plan** – Select one room of the house to create a detailed floor plan. Include all room details including furniture, decorations, floor coverings, etc. Bonus points for a colorful drawing of the room from the perspective of someone viewing the actual room.

**Step Six: Visual Proposal** – This will be done at home. You must present your work to the celebrity. Arrange the final copies of your work onto a trifold display board. Be sure your work is visually appealing, neat, and colorful. Put all drafts and other work into a folder to turn in with the trifold.

**Step Seven: Verbal Proposal** – On the day of your presentation, stand tall, speak clearly, and have confidence. You may NOT read from your display board. Tell us about your celebrity, then pretend you are speaking to the celebrity, trying to convince him or her that your design is fantastic! Remember, you might get a million dollars for your hard work!

Celebrity Mansion

Presentation and Display

Accuracy

* All parts are included
  + Celebrity Paragraph
  + Interview and List
  + Front of House
  + Floor Plan
  + One Room
  + Trifold Display Board
  + Drafts in Folder
* Spelling, punctuation, and grammar are correct

Presentation (Oral)

* Stand tall, minimal nervous movements
* Voice projection and tone (confidence)
* Use of OWN words (no reading)
* Interesting and Informative

Presentation (Display)

* Lines are straight (use a ruler)
* Text formatted to fit page (word processed or neatly hand written)
* Pleasing to the eye (color, symmetry, appropriately sized objects and text)

Elaboration

* Attention to Detail
* Creativity and/or Innovation
* Extra Enhancements