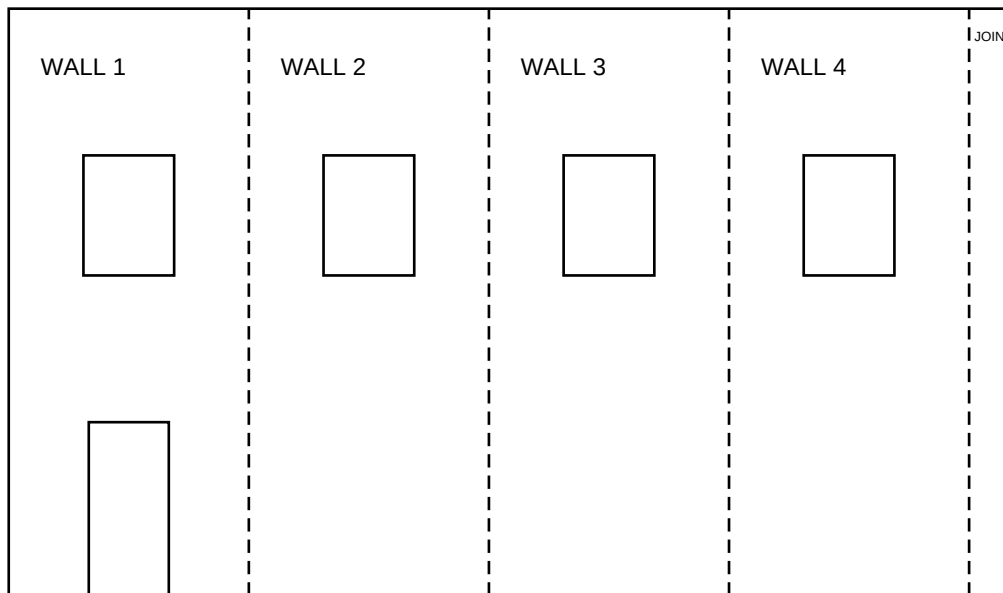
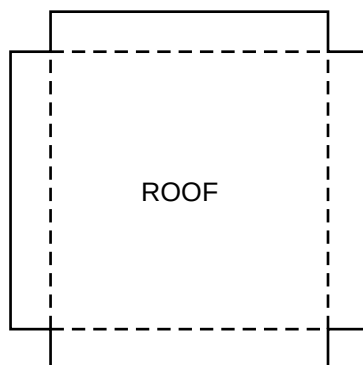


Build a paper Roman watchtower

Suggested ages 7+ with adult help | Template and activity sheet

Solid outside edge = cut. Dashed line = fold. Print at actual size.



Tape the roof-lip corners; do not tape the roof to the tower.

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You will need

A4 light card, pencils, scissors, glue stick or tape, and a ruler.

Try it together

1. Colour the four wall panels and roof. Cut around the wall strip including its narrow joining tab. 2. Fold the three internal wall joins and the tab. Join the tab behind the first wall to make a square tube. 3. Cut the roof net. Fold its four lips down and tape the corners to make a shallow cap. 4. Place the roof on the tower. Compare the square walls and openings with a real fort or tower.

Check, discuss and extend

The four walls are the same width. The roof centre is slightly wider, giving an overhang. Keep the tower open at the bottom. Draw extra details rather than cutting small window openings.

History and context

This is a small, simplified paper tower, not a measured reconstruction of a particular site. Roofs and towers varied across Roman military buildings.

Explore the evidence

English Heritage: Roman architecture

<https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/learn/story-of-england/romans/architecture/>