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Visit The Skyscraper Museum and its gallery for resources and hands-on activities about architecture and cities. Exhibitions showcase objects to support your instruction. These include scale models, floor plans, aerial maps, video footage, historic photographs and images of buildings, construction sites, and city landscapes.

On the Web
The Museum’s online archive extends the Tower Tube resources. People perceive cities geographically, as places shaped by streets, landmarks, districts, etc. The Museum’s image archive allows web visitors to explore specific buildings or districts and their histories without, necessarily, going to the site with a specific topic or question in mind. Simply seeing the city in the extraordinarily detailed overview of the computer model will spur questions, either about buildings that are familiar or that appear interesting, but are unknown to the viewer. The visual character of the index thus encourages investigation.

www.skyscraper.org/viva
VIVA features an interactive 3-D map of Manhattan. Click on a NYC neighborhood to view images of buildings, streetscapes, and skylines in the present and past.

www.skyscraper.org/viva2
VIVA2 enables access to extensive project files for the Empire State Building and the World Trade Center. View original construction photographs and floor plans or listen to audio recordings from the WTC building team.