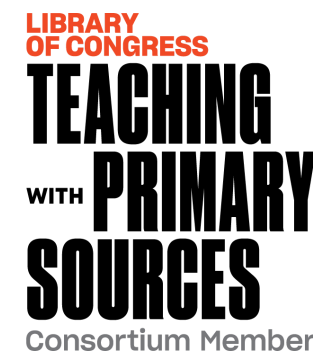


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Historic Site:	Glen Eyrie District								
Episode	Glen Eyrie								
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Contextual Paragraph	The Glen Eyrie Castle and district is the historic residence of General William Jackson Palmer, the founder of the city of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad (D&RG) as well as famous for the use of the narrow								

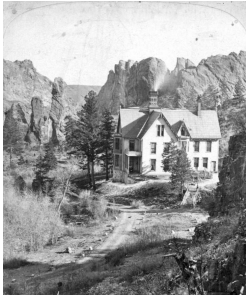


	<p>gauge railroad in Colorado. He expanded both the north-south lines for the Denver Rio Grande Railway, but also expanded the Denver Rio Grande Western Railway to Utah, reaching the rich mining communities and copper mines in the west. It was during this time that he purchased land at the mouth of a canyon to establish a residence for himself and his family. Palmer was committed to open space, and over his lifetime donated over 2000 acres of land for parks and open spaces for the Colorado Springs community.</p> <p>The original residence on the property was a 20 room clapboard house that was later expanded and renovated to include the stone castle, outbuildings such as the gatehouse and schoolhouse. The complex is large and was considered to be a cultural hub for the city of Colorado Springs when it was established by Palmer.</p> <p>The Palmer family travelled frequently because of the General's work. Mrs. Palmer (Queen) eventually settled on the east coast and in Europe due to the inability to live at high altitudes due to a heart condition. After she passed away, the Palmer daughters moved to Colorado Springs and Glen Eyrie to be with their father. The General had little time to enjoy the residence after its completion as he was paralyzed in a horseback riding accident and died shortly thereafter, only living in the completed castle for a little over three years.</p>	
Connection to Historic Preservation	<p>Palmer's legacy in the state of Colorado was immense, and his history, particularly in the Colorado Springs Region, remains today. Glen Eyrie was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1975, with an overview of the English Tudor style house itself and carriage house being the core portion of the nomination. In 2016, the nomination was amended to include many additional contributing buildings. This amendment created a more comprehensive picture of the district. Today the complex is privately owned by the Navigators, and is open for tours, appointments, and special events throughout the year.</p>	

Document Based Question (DBQ)

Document Set

Glen Eyrie Original Residence



<https://digital.denverlibrary.org/digital/collection/p15330coll22/id/2390/>

GUIDING QUESTIONS:

1. This image reflects the first home built at Glen Eyrie. What do you notice about the materials used to construct the home?
2. What is the setting of the home? Describe it.
3. Why would Palmer and his family want to live in this setting compared to an urban area?
4. Is this house size normal for this time period? Why or why not?

Glen Eyrie Castle Exterior Image



<https://gleneyrie.org/stay-the-night/>

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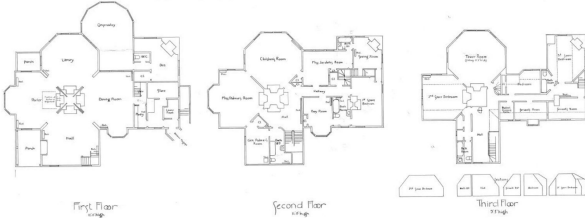
1. Analyze the image. What materials were used to construct this building?
2. Why do you suppose this home would have an English Tudor look to it?
3. Based on just this image alone, do you feel the house belongs in this setting? Why or why not?

Glen Eyrie Castle Architectural Drawings

GUIDING QUESTIONS:

1. How do these plans reflect the successes of Palmer and his wish for this house to be a cultural center of Colorado Springs?
2. Was Palmer building a dream home or just another house? Justify your claim with reasoning from the drawings.
3. How did Palmer's travels contribute to his vision for a house?

"Glen Eyrie," the Residence of General W. J. Palmer
Plan of the Principal Floor
Scale
1/4" = 1'-0"



<https://www.nps.gov/nr/feature/places/pdfs/16000866.pdf>


Palmer Interior Shot in Den


GUIDING QUESTIONS:

1. What is unique about this room?
2. Do you suppose this is a room that would be in a middle class home in Colorado at the time? Why or why not?
3. How does this room reflect the interests of Palmer during this time period?



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Glen Eyrie Castle Interior Image: Book Hall	<p>GUIDING QUESTIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does this expansive hall reflect the wealth of Palmer and his focus on entertaining, education, and the Arts? 2. What could a room like this be used for? 3. How does this room project a level of “importance” for this Colorado family? 4. How did Palmer and his daughters furnish the home?
	
https://coloradoencyclopedia.org/article/glen-eyrie	
<p>and Colorado Experience Episode</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nER3DyJz140</p> <p>8:15 - 1709</p>	

Glen Eyrie Castle - Property	<p>GUIDING QUESTIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Why would these red rocks be important to protect? 2. What would you want these rock formations to be located on your property so that you could see them? 3. How does the commitment towards conservation and preservation of open spaces on your own land encourage others to do the same?
	
https://www.loc.gov/pictures/resource/highsm.338	
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Glen Eyrie Aerial Image



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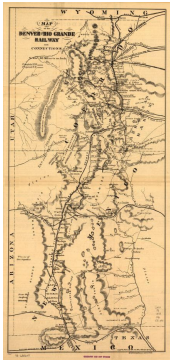
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8:15 - 17:09

GUIDING QUESTIONS:

1. Examine the image from the show. How does this aerial shot give you a better picture of Glen Eyrie as a complex of buildings rather than just one building?
2. How do the buildings in the complex blend into the landscape?
3. Based on the clip - was the integration of the buildings in the landscape coincidental? Why or why not?
4. How did Palmer develop his own sustainable complex at Glen Eyrie?
5. What were some of the innovative technology gadgets/solutions that he installed at the property?


Map of the Denver Rio Grande Railway





<https://www.loc.gov/item/98688649>

GUIDING QUESTIONS:

1. Analyze the map. (Use the Library of Congress zoom tool to help you do this.) What do you notice about the expansion of the railroad in Colorado?
2. How did this railroad make a difference for both large and small communities?
3. By expanding a railroad in this fashion, how did this help make Palmer rich?

Denver Rio Grande Railway Map	<p>GUIDING QUESTIONS: <i>(Click on the source link to see a zoomable PDF of the newspaper)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How was the westward expansion of the railroad a gamble on the part of Palmer and his business partners? 2. Based on this map, did the railroad reach the majority of Colorado mining camps? 3. How could specific railroad locations benefit Palmer and his business?
	
https://www.loc.gov/resource/g4311p.rr003990/?r=-1.208,0.019,3.416,1.484,0	

Overview of Palmer's Contributions to Colorado Springs and the Region	<p>GUIDING QUESTIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Based on the show from C-SPAN, how did Palmer make a difference for community parks and open spaces in Colorado Springs? 2. Palmer was considered an "economic booster" of Colorado. In one word, how did he do that?
	
https://www.c-span.org/video/?321955-1/discussion-colorado-springs-founder-william-jackson-palmer 7:30 - 9:30	

Glen Eyrie Colorado Encyclopedia Reading	<p>GUIDING QUESTIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What contributions did General Palmer make to the history of Colorado? 2. Why is Glen Eyrie an important location to preserve regarding this history? 3. Why is it significant to preserve architecturally?
	
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