

# Building Stories

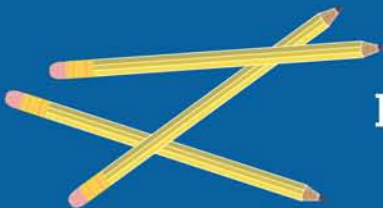
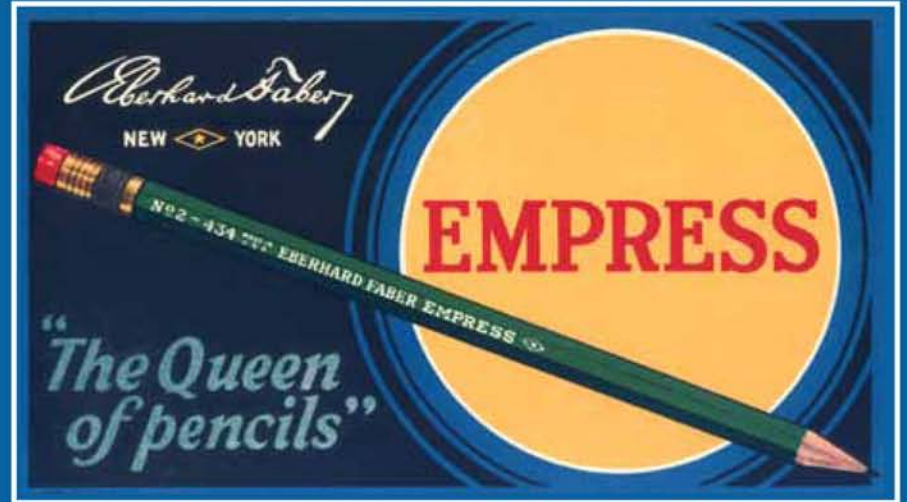
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Star Bright Books  
New York



Yellow pencils standing on an industrial place,



Illustrate what was manufactured in this space.

## Characters and Plots



**(Page 4) Eberhard Faber Pencil Company Building**—The Eberhard Faber Pencil Company was one of Brooklyn’s most important manufacturers. On the outside of the building are giant yellow pencils sharpened to a perfect point. They are just like the ones that were made inside this factory, which employed mostly women.



**(Page 6) Student Nurses’ Residence, St. Vincent’s Hospital**—St. Vincent’s Hospital began as a 30-bed hospital to take care of poor and disadvantaged New Yorkers. The nurse on the outside shows us that this particular building was used as the nurses’ residence while they were being taught how to take care of patients in St. Vincent’s Hospital.



**(Page 8) Brooklyn Academy of Music**—The Brooklyn Academy of Music is still a popular performing arts center, with three separate spaces for music and theater. Details of musical instruments around the entrances along with the names of famous musicians cut into the brick façade illustrate the overall musical theme.



**(Page 10) Naval Branch/YMCA Building**—When completed, the Naval Branch of the YMCA had 200 rooms for sleeping and also a 500-seat auditorium, a swimming pool, bowling alleys, a library, and several restaurants. Boats on each corner of the building show that this was a special home for sailors when they came ashore.