

Parts List: Dimensions are approximate

- (1) E3893 Front Roof: $(\frac{1}{4}) 4\frac{5}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{8}$
- (1) E3894 Rear Roof: $(\frac{1}{4}) 9\frac{3}{8} \times 1$
- (2) E3895 Eave: $(\frac{1}{4}) 1\frac{3}{8} \times 3\frac{3}{8}$
- (1) E3896 Left Side Panel: $(\frac{3}{8}) 5\frac{1}{2} \times 8$, Peak
- (1) E3972 Right Side Panel: $(\frac{3}{8}) 5\frac{1}{2} \times 8$, Peak
- (1) E3897 Front Panel: $(\frac{3}{8}) 7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$, cutouts
- (1) UE3891 Base Floor: $(\frac{3}{8}) 7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{8}$
- (1) UE3892 Second Floor: $(\frac{3}{8}) 7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{8}$, cutout
- (2) E3898 Front Edge Trim: $(\frac{3}{32} \times \frac{7}{16}$ pine) $5\frac{1}{8}$
- (1) E3899 Doorbase: $(\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}) 2$

Door: #H-6040 The Special Edition comes with an assembled door

- (2) E3878 Interior Door Trim: $(\frac{1}{16} \times \frac{1}{4}) 3\frac{7}{8}$ Mitered
- (1) E3879 Interior Door Trim: $(\frac{1}{16} \times \frac{1}{4}) 1\frac{13}{16}$ Mitered²

Ladder: E3868-9 The Special Edition's Ladder is assembled

Shingles: E3900-350 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Scale Shingles

Windows: including interior and exterior frames

- (8) E3877 Vertical Frames: 3, Mitered
- (8) E3876 Horizontal Frames: $1\frac{1}{2}$, Mitered
- (2) E3875 Window Plexi:
- (4) E3901 Shutters: $(\frac{3}{32} \times \frac{3}{8}) 2\frac{13}{16}$

Assembly Instructions

1. Without glue, set up the Front, Floors, and Sides to see how everything fits and where glue will go. Illustrations #1 & #2.

2. Glue and tape together the parts in this order: Front & Base Floor, Right Side, Second Floor (not quite touching the Front to keep glue from smearing), Left Side. Now you can slide the Second Floor the rest of the way - touching the Front. Stretch the tape tight while the glue dries.

3. Paint the housebody. Paint everything else that gets attached to the housebody before it is attached

4. Glue and tape the Rear Roof in place, flush at the peak. Glue and tape the Eaves in place, flush at the outside edges of the Rear Roof (Illustration #3).

5. Glue and tape the Front Roof, flush with the Rear Roof at the ends and top (Illustration #3).
Pre-paint the Front Edge Trim

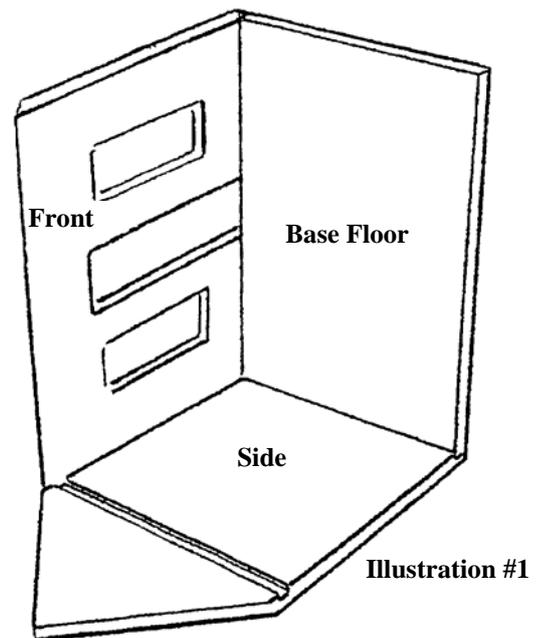


Illustration #2

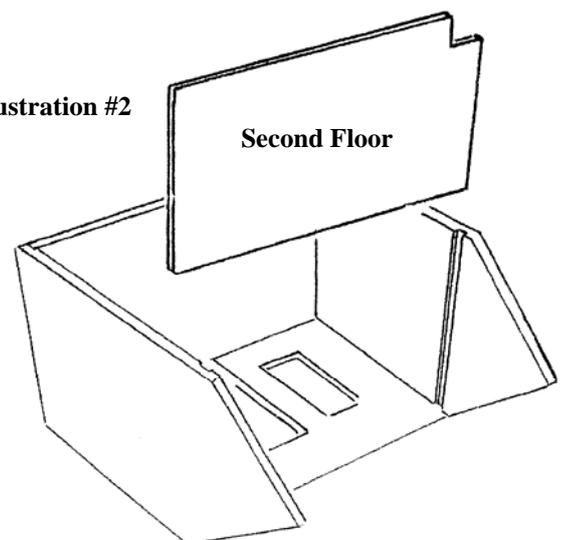
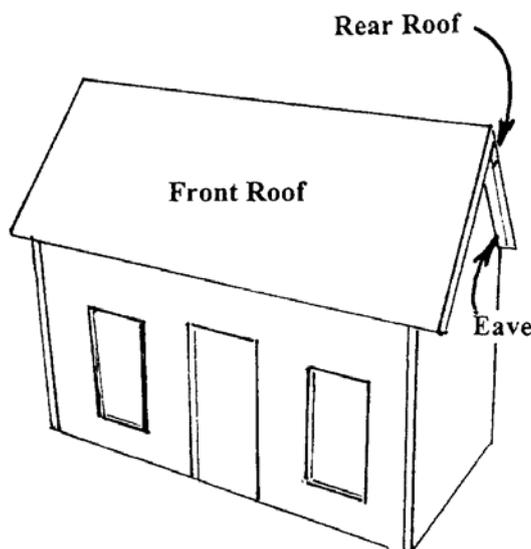


Illustration #3



6. Glue the Front Edge Trim to the front edges of the side panels flush at the bottom edges (Illustration #4).

Assemble the Windows:

1. Test assemble (*no glue*) the window set.
Practice holding the frame pieces face-down on the work surface and putting on the rubber band. When you can do it every time without pieces flying, then you are ready for glue. (Illustration #5A).

Pro tip: Use tape to temporarily hold the corners together while you put the rubber band on...then take off the tape so the rubber band is boss while the glue dries.

2. Glue and rubber band together the window frame. Make sure the assembly is square as the glue dries.
 3. Check the fit of the windows in the openings. Make sure the windows can sit level with the housebody. Trim the corners of the openings square if necessary for a good fit.
Glue the windows in place.

4. Two frames form each window with the plexiglass in place sandwiched between the window frame sets. Install the pane and interior frame after completing the interior finishing.

Install the Door:

1. Pull the bottom pin from the door to remove the panel for painting.
 2. Test, then install the door; trim the corners of the cutout if necessary. Install the Door Base
 3. Install Interior Door Trim after interior finishing is complete

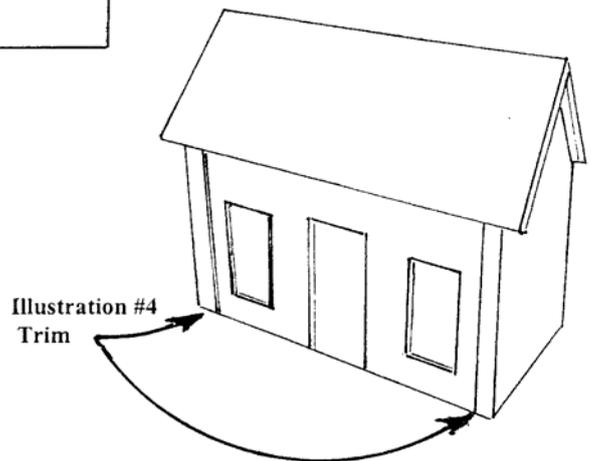
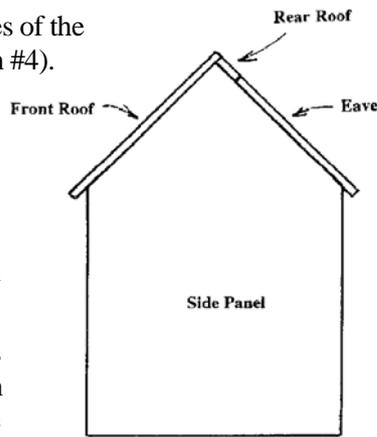


Illustration #5A

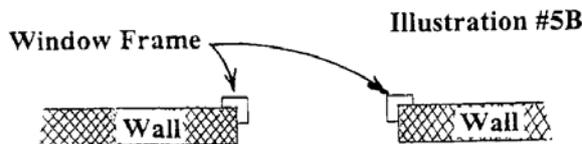
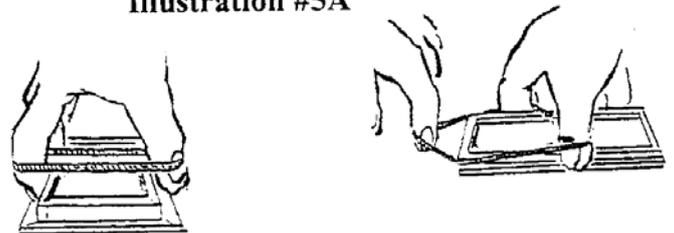
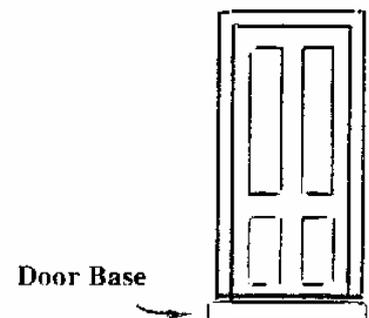
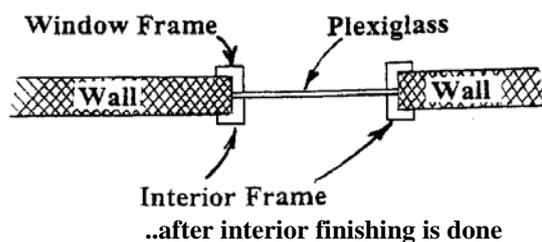
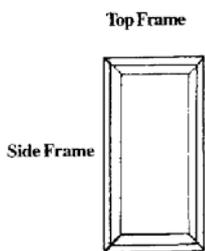


Illustration #5C



Shingling:

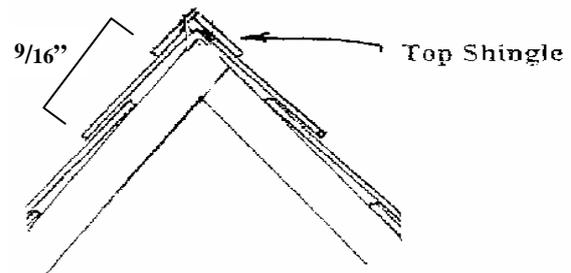
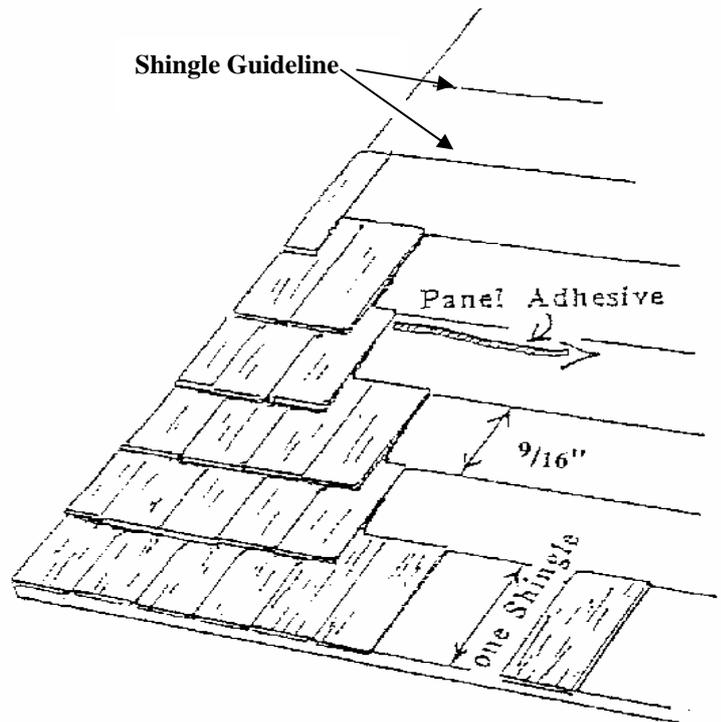
Assembly Pro Tip: Our assembly pro uses *Real Good Toys'* shingle dye (dye is a separate purchase) when dyeing the shingles for our finished houses. Dye the shingles a couple of days ahead of time so they will be completely dry when the time comes to attaching them to the roof (see the instructions included in the dye pack).

□1. Draw Shingle guidelines on the outside of the front and rear roofs. The first guideline on each roof should be one shingle length from the bottom edge. Space the rest of the guidelines 9/16" apart.

□2. Attach the Shingles: Use a thick panel adhesive such as Liquid Nails® MaccO available in caulking gun tubes at building supply stores. Trim just a little of the end of the tube for a tiny hole, giving a thin bead of glue. Always use good ventilation with solvent based adhesives.

A. (Optional) Starter shingles: Cut (scissors) regular shingles into 1/4" long starters. Glue a row of starters along the bottom of each roof.

B. Apply a thin line of adhesive just below the lowest guideline all the way across one roof. Press the top edge of a shingle into the line of glue, squeezing out the excess. Hold the first shingle and press another shingle into the adhesive, tight to the first. Hold the next shingle and press in another... etc. all the way across the roof, cutting the last shingle to fit. Continue up the roof one row at a time. Start the next row with a half shingle so that the seam between shingles weaves back and forth as you go up the roof. Line up the top edge of each row (except the starters) with the guidelines. Cut the top row of shingles so that each row will have the same reveal (9/16).



**The Keeper's House construction is done
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