

FURNITURE ARRANGEMENT

× Function:

- How a space will be used.
- + Dictates the selection and arrangement of furniture.
- * How can you combine functions with furniture arrangement?
 - + Living and dining areas can be combined.
 - Drop-leaf table can double as a sofa table.
 - + Bedroom can serve as an office, dressing room, reading room, etc.



- Mechanical or architectural functions that must be considered when placing furniture:
 - Air circulation vents, doors, windows, electrical outlets, phone jacks, television cables or antenna lines, fireplaces, and stairs
- How to control flow of traffic:
 - Place furniture at key locations to direct traffic flow or restrict or redirect traffic.



- Create a feeling of balance in a room:
 - + Opposite walls should lend visual weight
 - + Furniture, doors, windows, and fireplaces should be balanced
 - + Visual mass is more important than dimensions
 - + Groupings should be balanced
 - + Do not overcrowd the room with furniture



- Use furniture to emphasize a focal point:
 - + Group furniture around a focal point

+ If the room lacks a focal point, use a piece of furniture as a focal point



- Groupings for seating arrangements:
 - + Straight line, L-shaped, U-shaped, Box shaped, Parallel



- Activities that commonly take place in living areas:
 - + Conversation, recreation, dining, entertaining, hobbies, relaxing
- The ideal diameter for the primary conversation area:
 - + 8-12 feet
- Secondary furniture grouping:
 - + Seating for 2-3 people, a piano, a desk or a chair for one person



- Activities that take place in family rooms:
 - + Games, hobbies, tv. working out, dancing, active play
- Furniture to put in a family room:
 - Durable and easilymaintained furniture



- * Three types of space that should be provided for each person in a bedroom:
 - + Sleeping, storage, dressing





ASSIGNMENT

- Logon to Lazboy.com OR Polyvore.com and find the room planner option.
- Start with only one room of the floor plan that you designed. Don't use one of their templates because I'll know it.
- Using the principles and elements of design, and space planning we've talked about in class, create a furniture arrangement for your floor plan.
- Use generic furniture and structural elements to create your room.
- Show me so I can check it off before you turn off your computer.