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# **SITE REPORT [part 1: place]**

## **BROOKLYN BRIDGE**



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## INTRODUCTION

I choose Brooklyn Bridge, due to its importance as a “morpheme” or symbol of NYC. This bridge is visited daily by thousands of tourists from different parts of the world and even from locals.

## PRE-VISIT REFLECTION

I think is a wonderful work because at the time it was built they did not have the same technology that exist today, therefore, I find it fascinating to see how the cables hang holding tubes with a wonderful design. When I learned some of the history of the bridge, I loved it even more and enjoyed cross the bridge by walking and admiring its architecture and wonderful city and river view.

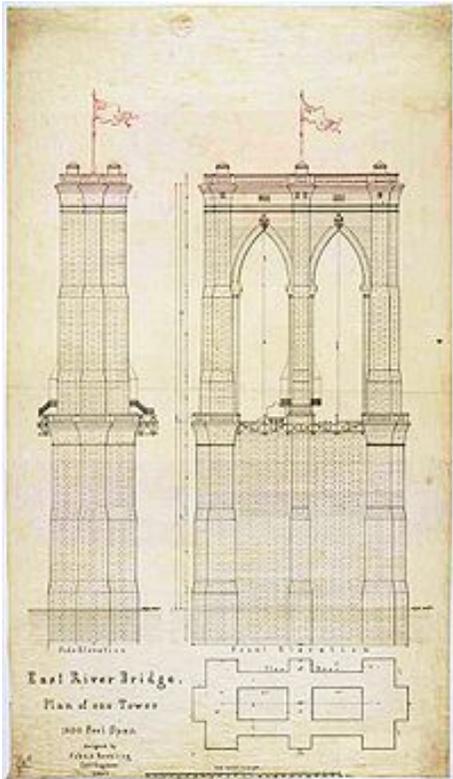


Write description of sketch or photo here, explaining why it is important and what it shows.

This bridge is important because it is a symbol of the great architecture that connects



Manhattan with Brooklyn ;after 133 years still working perfectly to carry more than 150.000 cars, walkers and cyclists daily. (<http://www.history.com/topics/brooklyn-bridge/videos/deconstructing-history-brooklyn-bridge>)



It has the peculiarity that can have a wonderful view of Manhattan and Brooklyn Boroughs.

This picture shows its Gothic architecture, where it has a strong vertical orientation and the arches are well defined. In addition, it has the American flag at the top as a symbol of patriotism.

Picture site: ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brooklyn\\_Bridge#History](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brooklyn_Bridge#History))

## QUALITATIVE SITE OBSERVATIONS

1. Neighborhood / Street Character
  - a. Connect two boroughs
  - b. Well signposted
  - c. Wonderful view of Manhattan and Brooklyn
  - d. It serves as recreation, tourism and culture
2. Vitality of Place
  - a. This bridge is full of energy because of its beauty and every day has thousand of people around it.
  - b. Well signposted.
  - c. Pedestrian Activity: every day
    - i. Biking, running and walking.
  - d. Vehicular Traffic
    - i. This bridge has a lot of car circulation because connect two boroughs.
3. Age of Buildings (provide evidence for prediction)
  - a. From 1883, it has 133 years old.
  - b. Took 14 years of construction  
Site (<http://www.history.com/topics/brooklyn-bridge>)
4. Relationship Between Buildings (urbeme)
  - a. It is a very big contrast between Neo Gothic and contemporary architecture around Manhattan and Dumbo where we can see a new housing and parks projects.
5. Building Details (historical/architectural styles, morphemes)
  - a. Neo gothic
  - b. Contemporary
  - c.
6. Building Uses
  - a. Offices
  - b. Business (restaurants, bars etc.)
  - c. Living apartments
7. Other Observations
  - a. Expensive area
  - b. Developing new projects
  - c.

## QUANTITATIVE DATA for Area of Study

Subject	Data
Street Names	Begins on the Manhattan side Park Row & Centre St, New York, Begins on the Brooklyn side at the intersection of Tillary St. and Adams Street.
Street Width	85 ft
Pavement Type	
Building Heights	277' <a href="https://www.google.com/#q=What+is+the+Heights+of+brooklyn+bridge">https://www.google.com/#q=What+is+the+Heights+of+brooklyn+bridge</a>
Building Widths (Window Bays)	
Building Types/Uses	Transportation- recreation- culture- tourism
Empty Lots / Gardens	
Shops / Restaurants	Brooklyn Ice cream factory - Luke's Lobster – Grimaldi's Pizzeria – Jacques Torres Chocolates
Industrial Shops	The piers (commercial boats)
Other Data	
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## SUMMARY / POST VISIT REFLECTION

Brooklyn Bridge is one of the biggest attractions in NYC. It has a wonderful view from both sides and it is a place that people come to learn about its history, others to do exercise and others just to have fun. This building is an icon of United States especially for New York City because it is one of the oldest bridges with great architecture and design. It brings a lot of tourist from different parts of the world that helps the city economy. To conclude is not doubt that is an architecture icon in United States that connect two Boroughs.

## QUESTIONS TO RESEARCH FURTHER

### QUESTIONS:

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### RESEARCH METHOD/SOURCE FOR EACH QUESTION ABOVE:

1. Question 1
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  - c. xx
2. Question 2
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  - b. xx
  - c. xx
3. Question 3
  - a. xx
  - b. xx
  - c. xx