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Young Frank is an architect. He lives in New York with his grandfather, Old Frank (also an architect), and their spotted dog, Eddie. The two architects have very different views on what architects do for a living.

This is the story of how a trip to The Museum of Modern Art in New York helps Young Frank feel older, and Old Frank feel younger—and a little wiser.

Praise for Young Frank

“Young Frank is going to be a great architect one day.”
Frank Gehry, real architect

“Eddie is a really cute dog.”
Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation

“Hey, MY name is Frank, too! Kind of.”
Françoise “Frank” Mouly, The New Yorker
Young Frank’s apartment is on the top floor of this tall building. He is an architect. He lives with his spotted dog, Eddie, and his grandpa, Old Frank, who is also an architect.
Young Frank makes things.

He uses anything he can get his hands on: macaroni, books, dishes, spoons, dogs... Dogs? Not Eddie! Yes, even Eddie. But only sometimes.
“Hmm,” said Old Frank, “I don’t think architects make chairs. And you can’t really sit in this one, can you?”

“I guess not,” said Young Frank.

One morning, Young Frank made a chair using toilet paper rolls.
He also made a skyscraper out of books.

“Hmm, buildings should be straight,” said Old Frank, “not twisted and wiggly. Hey, are those MY books?”
Just before lunch, Young Frank designed a whole city.

“Hmm,” said Old Frank, “cities are made one building at a time and take hundreds of years.”
At lunch, Young Frank said, “Grandpa, I’m not sure I want to be an architect anymore.”

“Hmm,” said Old Frank. “I know, let’s go to the museum. I think it will be very good for you to see the work of some REAL architects. Don’t you? Hmm?”
“I haven’t been to the museum in years and years,” said Old Frank.

“Me neither,” said Young Frank.
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