

Detail Development

Довършителни дейности

Dear Mr. Keeling,

I want to update you on the plans for your building. We are nearly finished with **detail development**. We are ready to move forward with a **cost estimate**. But first, we need you to **finalize** several details:

- During the **modeling** process, we had to change the layout. We need your approval on the new **floor plan**. You will notice the main hallway is two feet wider. This makes it easier to move **furnishings** in and out.
- We need to finalize the locations of **appliance** hook-ups. The position of the refrigerator and oven will affect counter space.
- Please make a final decision about the kitchen **cabinets**. We also need your approval on the sink and other **plumbing fixtures**.

I included recommendations for **insulation** and **HVAC systems**. Let us know if you have any questions.

As soon as you finalize these details, we can **determine** a **budget**.

As you know there are different stages in building construction, known in Bulgaria, as Act 14, Act 15, Act 16. The Act 16, of course is the most anticipated by home owners. It means that the building is ready to live in. According to the budget of the home owner, companies offer different **detail development** (довършителни работи). They usually offer **cost estimate** (приблизителна разбивка на разходите), as well as **3D modelling** (3D проект) and **interior floor plan** (интериорен план). Detail development include **furnishing** (обзавеждане с мебели), **appliances hook up** (обзавеждане с електр.уреди), choosing **kitchen cabinets** (кухненски шкафове), installation of **sinks** (мивки) and **plumbing fixtures** (санитарно обзавеждане).

According to the client's budget, building companies, also recommend different solutions for **insulation** (изолация).

1 What is the letter mainly about?

- A a breakdown of a final budget and cost estimate
- B a request for the client to finalize details
- C an invoice for the purchase of several materials and systems
- D a schedule for installation of different detail elements

2 Which of the following is NOT something that the client must do?

- A sign and return a budget proposal
- B review recommendations for HVAC systems
- C choose new kitchen cabinets
- D give approval for plumbing fixtures

3 What part of the design has changed?

- A the type of insulation
- B the appliance brand
- C the floor plan
- D the cabinet style

Ex.2

Match the words and phrases with the definitions (A-H).

finalize budget appliance plumbing fixture detail development modeling determine furnishing

A a movable item for use in a building

B the process of creating a three-dimensional representation of something

C to make a decision after considering different possibilities

D the process of designing the small elements of a building

E a device that serves a practical purpose

F to complete a plan or arrangement

G a plan for the use of resources

H an item for the use and distribution of water

Ex.3

Write a word or phrase that is similar in meaning to the underlined part.

1 The layout for the interior of the building shows a spiral staircase.

(_ l _ _ r) (p _ a _)

2 The architect wrote a(n) educated guess of how much money was needed for the project.

(c _ _ t) (_ s t _ _ a _ e)

3 The client decided to put extra material to prevent loss of heat in the attic.

(_ _ s _ l _ t _ _ n)

4 Leslie painted the piece of furniture for the storage and display of items white.

(_ a b _ n _ _)