# ar-chi-tect w3

/'aːk¦tekt \$ 'aːr-/

## noun [countable]

1 someone whose job is to design buildings

## 2 the architect of something

the person who originally thought of an important and successful idea:

Tinoco was one of the architects of the government's economic reforms.

#### Word origin

Date: 1500–1600 Language: French

Origin: architecte, from Latin, from Greek architekton 'chief builder', from archi- ( →

ARCH-) + tekton 'builder'

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