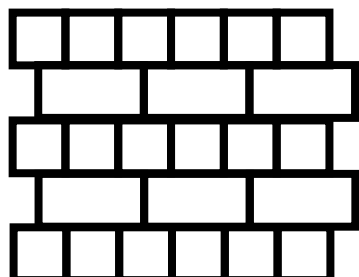


# BUILDING BONDS

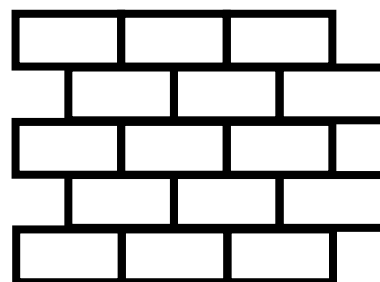
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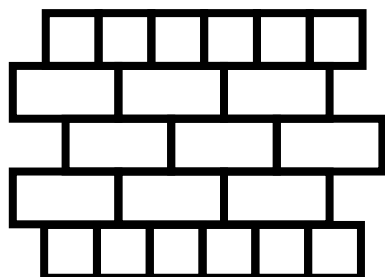
English Bond

The Fireproof Building's twenty-inch-thick walls are made of 947,000 bricks!

Bricks used in Charleston in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries were made on nearby plantations.



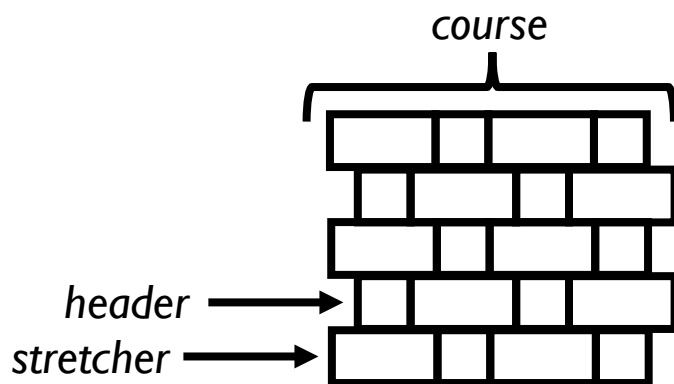
Running Bond



American Bond

Look closely at bricks around the city to see fingerprint indentations left by enslaved builders.

Masonry patterns are achieved for both structural and aesthetic purposes by alternating *courses* of *headers* and *stretchers*.



Flemish Bond