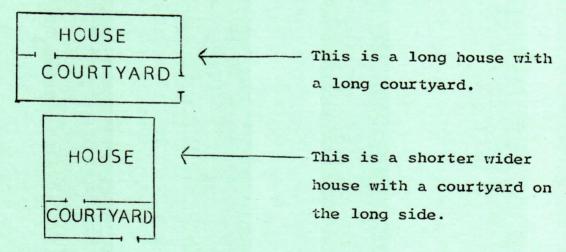


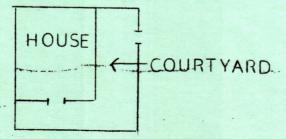
A favorite place to play besides the roof top would be the courtyard. This is like a garden or patio. Usually there is one or two trees in your courtyard. There might be some shrubs and flowers.

This courtyard was really a part of the house. The oven was here. Mother often ground her flour here and baked bread in the oven. Mother kept her loom here too. Father sometimes worked at his tools. A family was very happy to have a courtyard.

There were several plans for a courtyard. Usually the courtyard was planned to hide the door of the house.



If the family had a courtyard like the one below, the door of the house was left open all day. It was closed when the family went to sleep.



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