

Taco Bell Restaurant kit in N scale



Parking lot base and cars not included



This kit includes all building parts milled in white styrene plastic, clear window glazing, Noch tile roofing, and logo & poster self adhesive decals. All parts fit together but may need light sanding in joints for cosmetic reasons. The model needs painting.

Some model building and painting skills are required.

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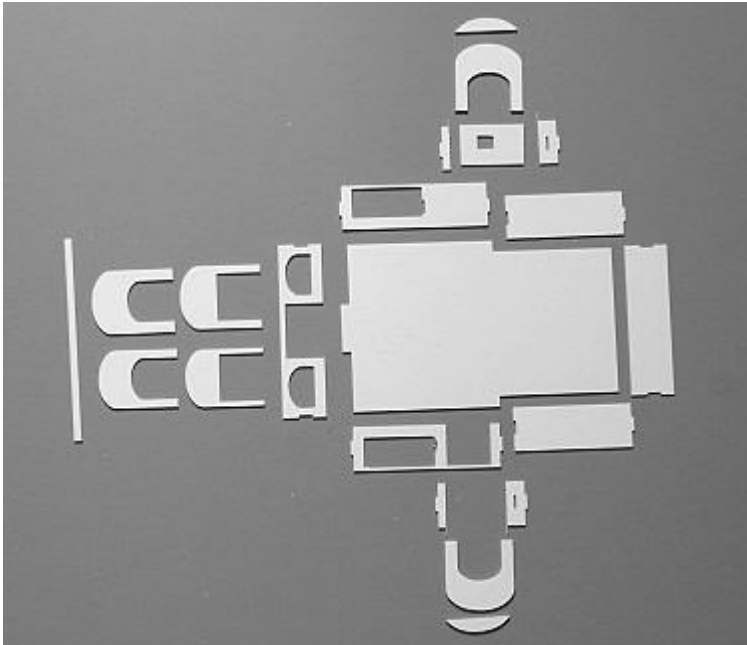
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Assembly instructions for Taco Bell Restaurant

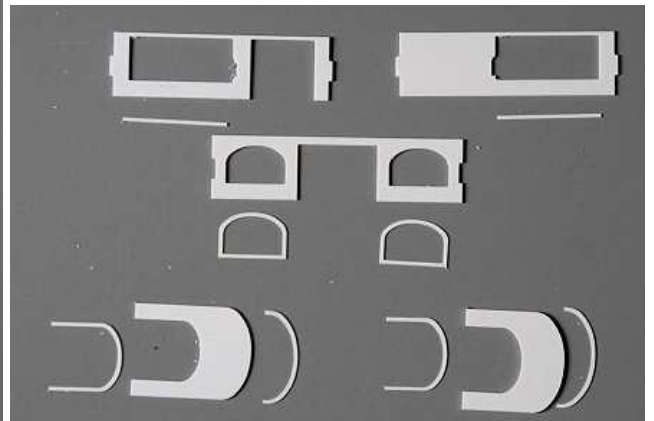
Thank you for buying this Taco Bell Restaurant kit. Please take some time to read these instructions before you begin assembling.

This kit is milled in styrene plastic and is very easy to glue together using Plastruct Plastic Weld or similar glue products. The wall parts are tabbed and slotted for easier assembly.

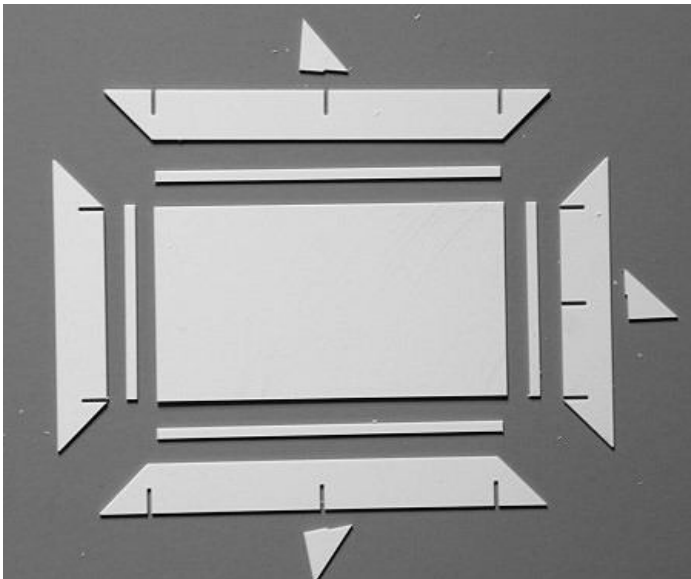
Take your time to identify all parts, lay them out and clean them for any burrs before gluing them together.



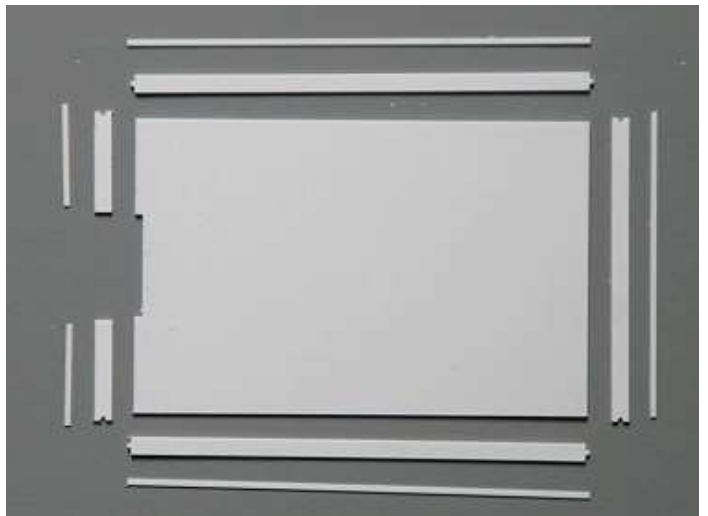
Base and wall parts overview

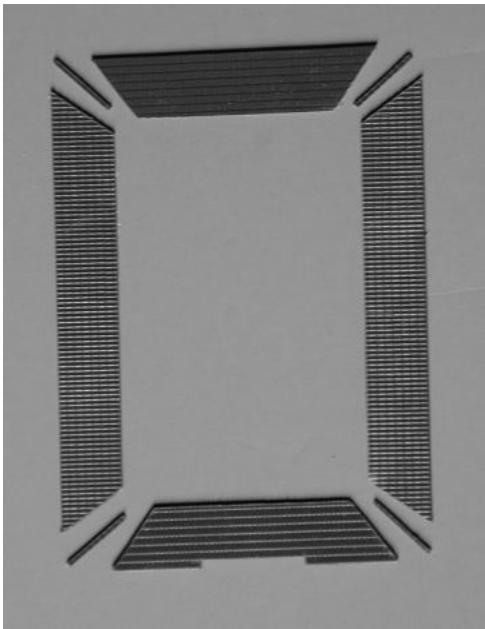


Trim parts overview

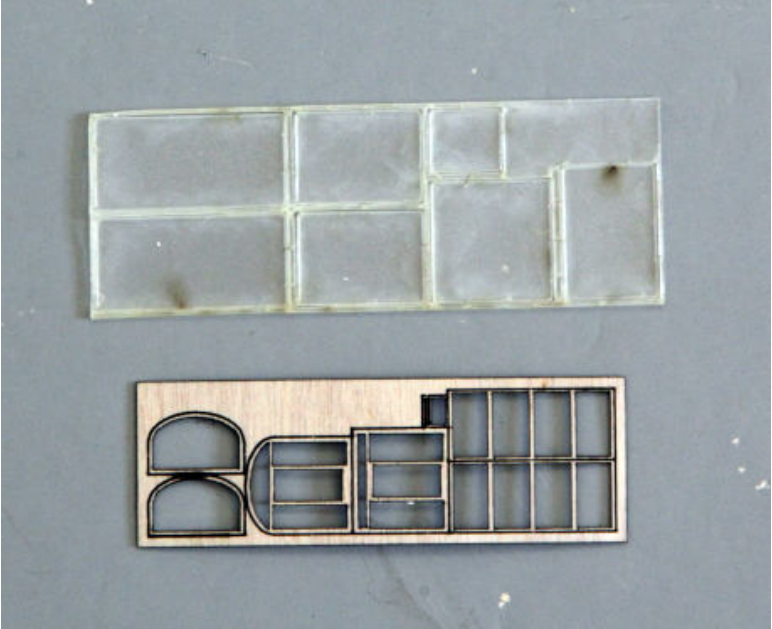


Roof parts overview



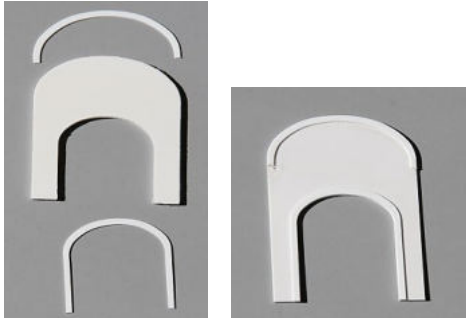
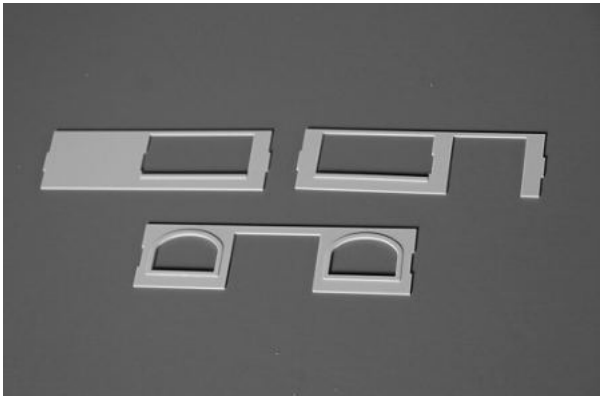


Roof tiles (after you cut them)

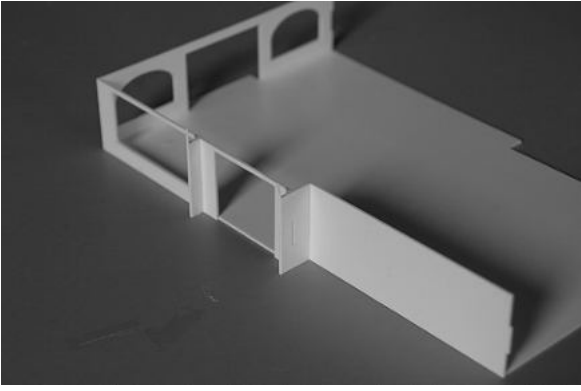
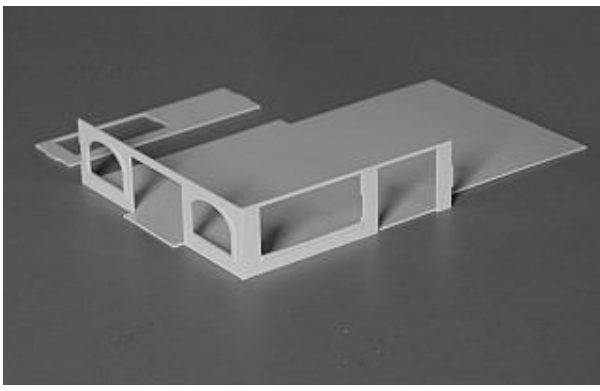


Windows, doors and window glazing (covered with protective paper)

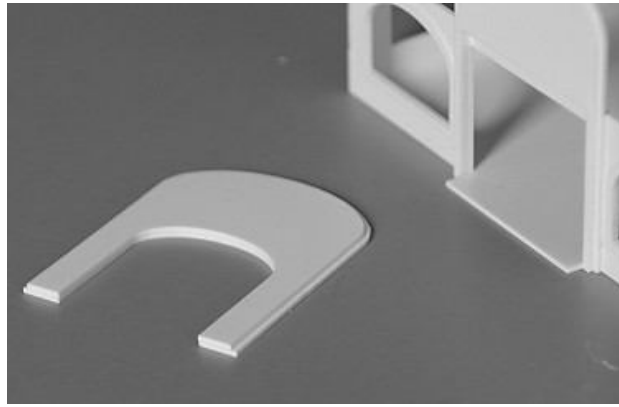
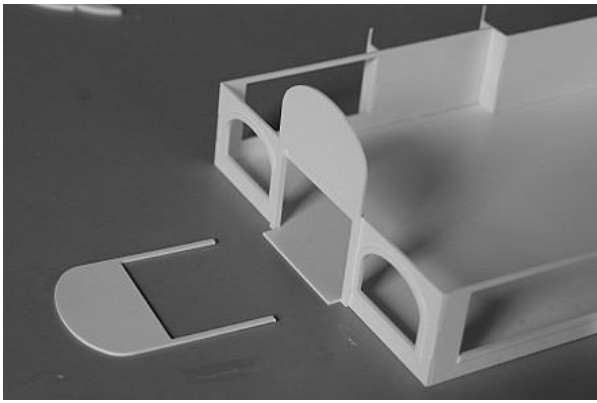
Assembly of walls



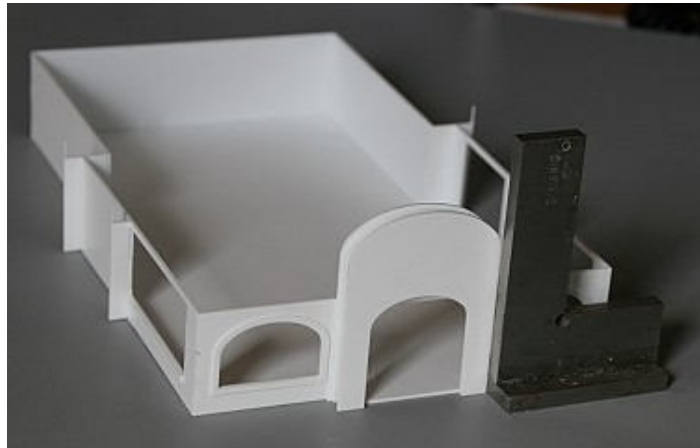
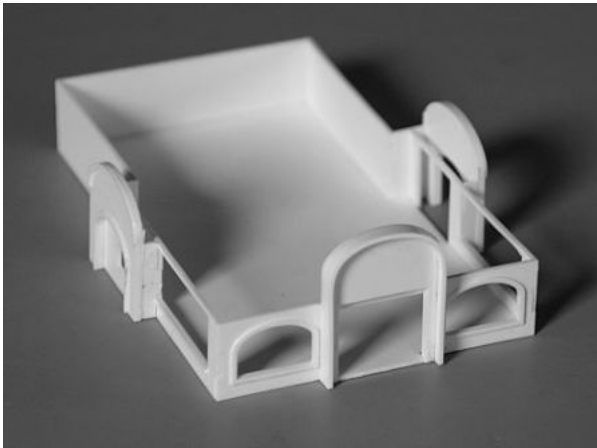
Start by mounting the thin trim parts around the windows and entrance doors



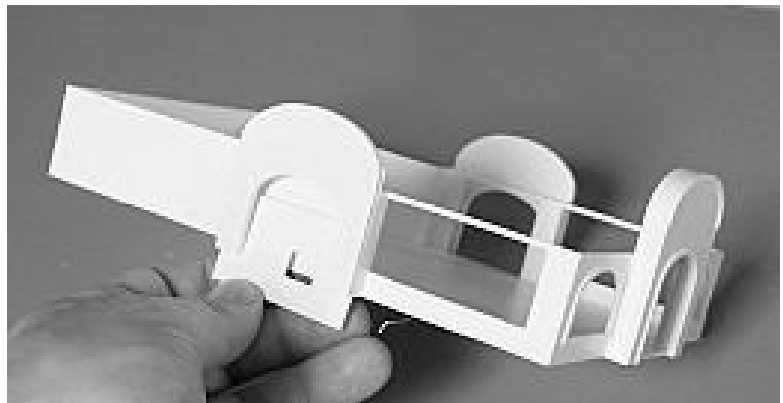
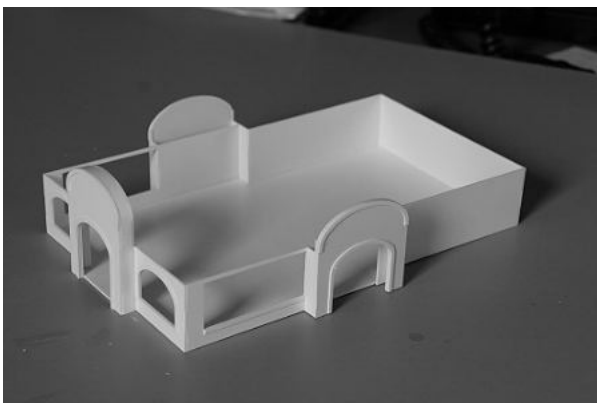
Put the walls together aligning the tabs and slots and glue them to the base plate.



Mount the front entrance walls, the part with the square opening and widest "legs" first, then the part with the narrower "legs". Align the insides of the square. Then glue the parts with the rounded openings together, aligning inside the rounding

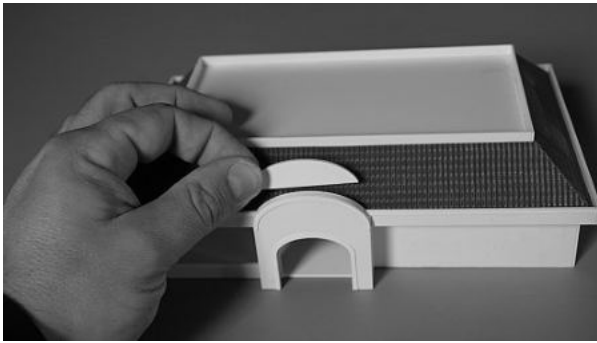


Mount the wall strip on the lip of the inner front wall as shown. It is easier if you pre-bend the middle section of the strip, i.e. around a piece of piping. Then glue on the outer front wall.



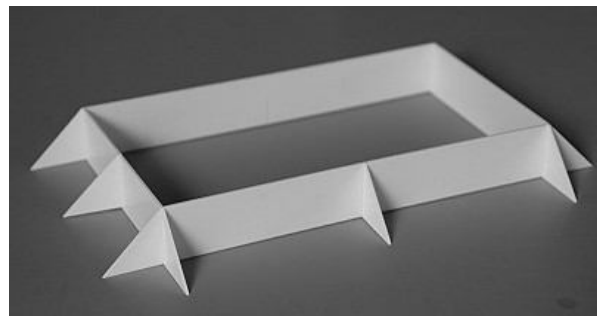
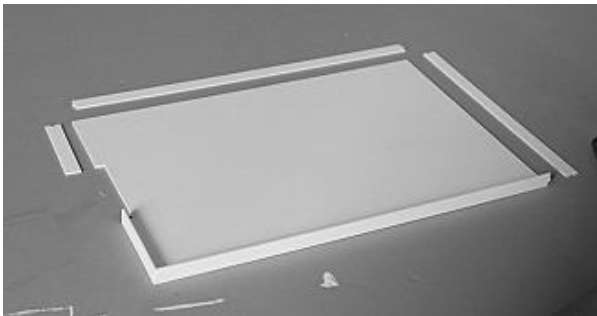
Glue on the 2 tall sidewalls as shown. Glue the drive-thru window wall to the inside the opening on the left side of the building.

Glue the back door frame on the rear wall, approx. In the middle.

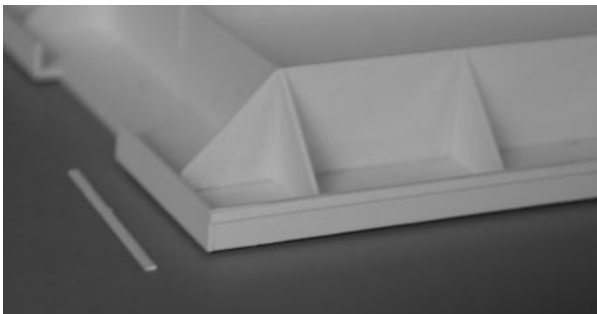


After assembling the roof (see next section), put it on and mount the small piece of inner-wall on the backside of rounding. To remove the roof again, carefully bend the sides slightly outward.

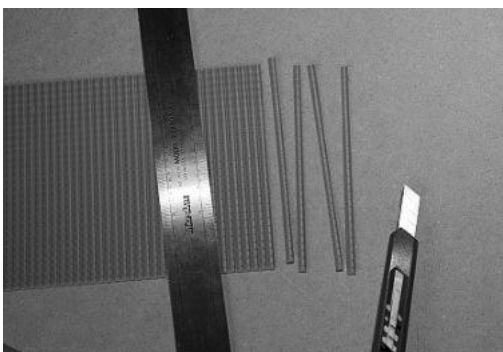
Assembly of the roof



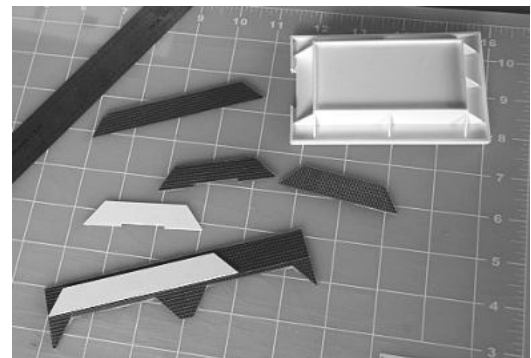
Put together the tabbed and slotted roof sidestrips and glue them to the side of the roof plate. Assemble the roof supports as shown.

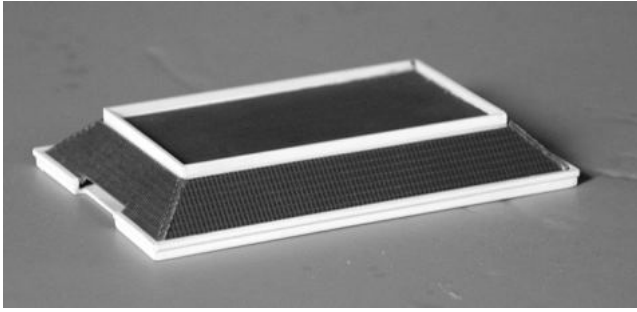


Place the roof support inside the roof frame and glue. Glue on the thin trim strips to the sides, aligning with the top edge. Glue the smaller roof plate on top of the support and mount the smaller side strips as shown



Cut 2 vertical strips of the tile roofing for the corner flashings. Use the templates to cut the 4 roof parts, 2 long pieces and the 2 short





Glue on the tile sections and finish with the corner tile strips.

Painting

If you look around on the real Taco Bells you will notice they come in different colors, some are all white (or off-white) or light tan, some are white with yellow on the entrance walls and some are a sort of light pink. The yellow color on this model was mixed using Testors Model Master Flat white (2142), Deep Yellow (2118) and just a tiny drop of red. If you choose to make the pink version, Testors Model Master light skin tone base (2001) is a good match.

The door and window frames can be black (for the most), silver or white.

The logo letters for the walls can be white, light gray, red or dark brown, it varies from one Taco Bell to another. On this model the light gray was used.

The street sign can be black or dark blue (Testors 1772)



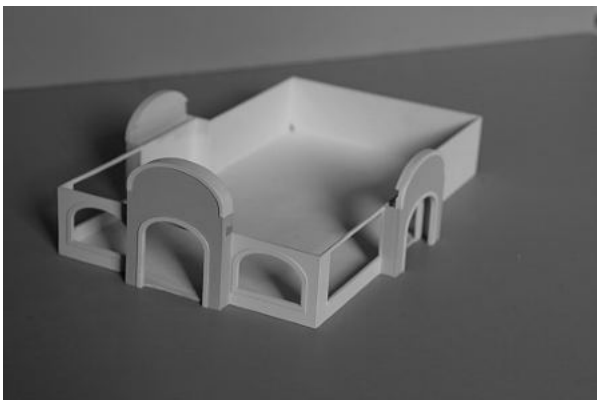
To paint and mount the 3 logos, you can paint it before mounting or mount it before painting (recommended), see "Installing logos"

If you choose the first, put a piece of double-sided tape on a piece of cardboard or paper and attach the letters and the bells to it.

Airbrushing or spray painting works best, but of course you can brush paint.

Let it dry for a day or two if you are using solvent based paint.

Be VERY careful when removing logo from tape



Paint the doors and window frames a satin black or silver

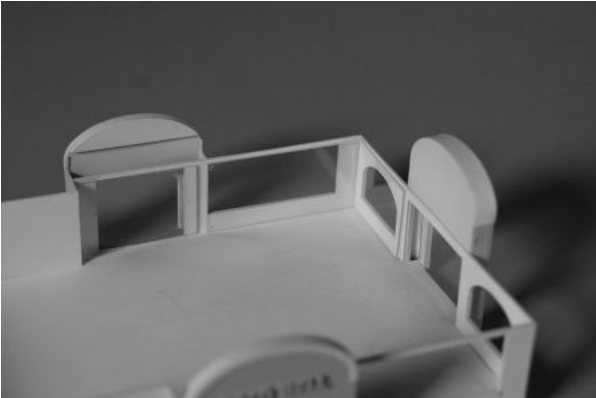
For best results, give the whole model (except the roof tiles) a coat of gray primer. Then apply a coat of white (or your desired color).

When thoroughly dry, mask off the white walls and the trim around the doors and top roundings.

Apply the yellow or light pink color

Paint the flat part of the roof flat black or dark gray.

Installing the windows and doors



Remove the protective paper from the window glazing and install it on the inside of the wall with just a drop of cement along the edges. Install the front door glass by slipping it in from the bottom as shown



To put the window and door frames into place: Remove the backing paper and stick the windows and doors onto the glass. Be very careful to position it correctly in the first attempt, once the glue sticks you can't remove the frame without destroying it.

Installing the logos



If you chose to install the logos before painting, glue the letters and bells to the walls, centering them to the arc.

When the wall paint has dried, you can either brush paint the top surface of the letters the desired color - or even easier, apply the color with a Sharpie marker



If you chose to paint the logos before mounting - after the paint has dried, you should carefully touch up the small connectors between the letters with the wall color, using a fine brush.

Put a bit of white wood glue on your little finger and apply a very small amount on the backside of the letters. Then place them on the wall. Wait until the glue has dried to mount the decal.



Carefully cut out the bells from the decal sheet, carefully remove the backing paper (with the tip of a knife) and put it in place on the bell. Use a pair of decal tweezers for best results.



Cut out the posters from the decal sheet and install them on the windows as shown



Put the roof section back in place, you do not need to glue it, this way you can get access to the inside later if you want to make interior.

Glue the two small thin rectangular pieces onto the sign, aligning with the lower edge.

Paint the sign black or dark blue.

Paint the foot-piece concrete (the small piece with a square hole)

Use the thin sign faceplate as a template to cut the decal to the shape. Use a light table, a big flashlight or hold it against a window pane to shine light through it.



Remove the backing paper and carefully put in place on the faceplate. At last glue the faceplates to both sides of the sign.

To mount the sign on your layout, glue the foot-piece in place and let set before mounting the sign with one drop of cement. Hold it in place or lean it against something straight until it sets.

If you want to add vents and airconditioners to the roof, we recommend Walthers #933-3286 Roof details set.

Enjoy your Taco Bell on your layout.

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Taco Bell Restaurant

TB-002



Domino's Pizza

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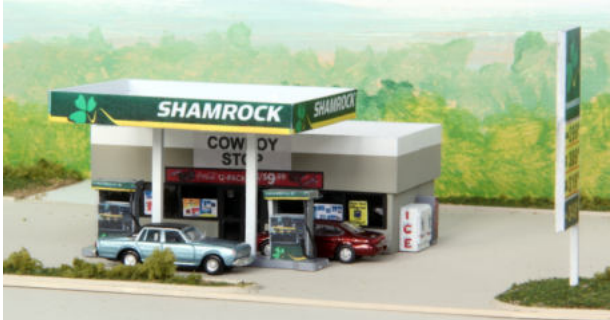
Dave's Coffee Shop (Denny's)

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Subway Restaurant

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Lowe's backdrop building

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