

Friends with an old book Task 3

I started my research with "AskAlice" by just typing the name of my book in the engine and choosing "Xenotheka" as a brain. The results weren't helping too much because I think I was too precise with my search, so I thought about something different. I searched for "ornamental parts of architecture" with "design" as a topic. One book which was suggested to me was: "Elements of Architecture" by Koolhaas. In his book he writes about well-founded basic research to understand essential architectural elements and laws of buildings around the world. The difference of those books is that the book of Batty Langley is a collection of the 18th century and more specialized to the ornamental parts of architecture and consist of drawings while "Elements of Architecture" widely consists of photographs and is aimed to the current time. Still, they have a connection and that is that both try to collect designs and elements of architecture.

Next I searched with the name of the author which is Batty Langley. This time I used "Architecture Library" as Alice brain and architecture as a topic, but I didn't find what I looked for, so I changed again to the "Xenotheka Library". One of the suggested books was "Eighteen Century Architecture" from Caroline van Eck. The thing this book has in common with my book is that both contain research and collection of architecture in the 18th century.