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Assignment: World Building

- Design an environment which contains both natural and man made objects (buildings).
 - Man made may be interpreted broadly to include objects constructed by non-human intelligent beings
 - Your world need to be consistent, the elements need to fit together. Even contrasting elements need to belong in the same world.
 - It does not need to be an exterior environment, but it needs to feel big: not a single small room, a big hall and connected corridors would be better. An interior environment still needs to mix organic elements with man made features.
- Create a 3D model that represents the environment you designed
 - The result of this first assignment will be still images. Set up your camera early and create your world so it looks good from the chosen vantage point.
 - Don't be afraid to cheat. Film and Animation is about the suspension of disbelief, not about reality.
- Render the environment under two distinctly different lighting situations
 - Dramatically different, not just technically
 - One image may be representing your world in daylight, the other in the evening or at night. Or bright sunlight versus overcast.
 - Global Illumination is allowed for only one of the images
 - Ambient occlusion may be used in both
 - You may enhance your image through compositing and image manipulation software like Photoshop
 - If you choose to enhance your image(s) you must include the original render(s) with your submission

Final Deliverables*

- Two images rendered at 1080p
 - Include all rendered images used to create the final images
- The Maya scene(s) used to render the images from

* These are final deliverables as earlier in the process a design for the world and the Maya scene with the 3D model of the world need to be handed in.