



HO Structure Kit **AUTO PARTS STORE** 933-4114

Thanks for purchasing this Cornerstone kit. Please take a few minutes to read the instructions and study the drawings before starting construction - if you're not sure how parts go together, test fit before gluing! Most parts are styrene plastic so use compatible glue and paint to assemble and finish your model. You may find it easier to first assemble larger parts and paint them as subassemblies, while smaller parts can be painted on the sprues and touched up after installation. If you wish to paint your model, wash all parts in warm water and plain dish soap, rinse thoroughly and allow to dry before painting.

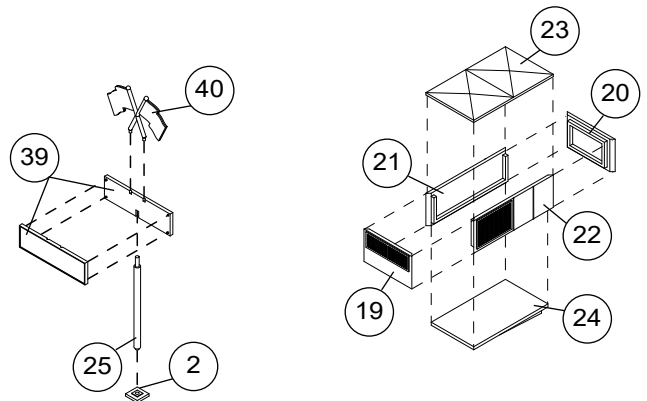
From tiny screws to transmissions, the average internal combustion vehicle has roughly 30,000 separate parts (slightly less in electrics) that may eventually need repair or replacement. Today, many of these items and basic supplies are readily available at local auto part stores. The foundation of the modern auto parts store actually began with bicycle dealers, who began offering repairs, parts and add-on accessories in the late 1800s. As cars quickly shifted from novelty to necessity, bike shop owners soon made the transition to sales of auto parts using the same business model. While auto dealers could supply basic repair parts, many customers wanted something more affordable, or unique items to enhance performance and appearance. An entire industry sprang up to supply aftermarket auto parts to independent retailers and local mechanics, and lead to the first mail order auto parts suppliers. As demand grew into the 1920s, independent retailers began opening additional locations or outright or purchasing competitors' stores, creating regional "chain stores" with increased buying power and name brand recognition. The Depression of the 1930s actually proved a boon for auto parts sellers; car owners began doing their own repairs to save money, and many filling stations transitioned to service stations offering repairs, greatly increasing demand for low-cost parts. The 1950s brought major expansion of auto parts retailers; more people living in suburbs were driving farther and more frequently (and many now owned two cars), along with renewed interest in hotrods and racing, as well as sales of foreign cars. While cars are more complex and expensive today, owners are keeping them longer and still doing much of their own repairs and maintenance. As a result, you'll find auto parts retailers in virtually every large city. On your layout, your new model will be right at home in any suburban shopping area from the 1980s to the present and is typical of stores offering sales and some basic services. For additional details, vehicles, figures and other accessories to finish your scene, see your participating dealer, check out the current Walther's Model Railroad Reference Book or visit us online at walther.com.

Street Sign

Glue lower end of Pole (25) to mounting point in Sign Base (2). Note the correct alignment of the Signboards (2x 39) with the small mounting points at the top center on both sides: be sure they're at the same height, and glue inset areas on back to Pole. Complete assembly by gluing pins on lower end of Flags (40) to mounting points inside Signboards.

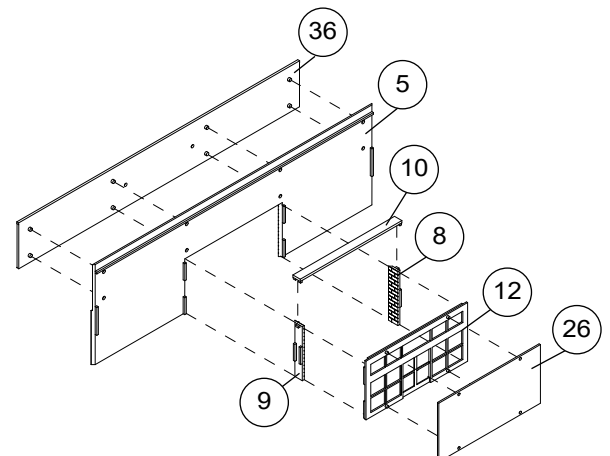
Air Conditioner

2) Using raised ridges on backs to align parts, glue Left (19), Right (20), Rear (21) and Front (22) Walls to Air Conditioner Base (24) and at inside corners where parts meet. Glue Top (23) to walls as shown. Completed Air Conditioner will be installed in Step 8.



Front Wall

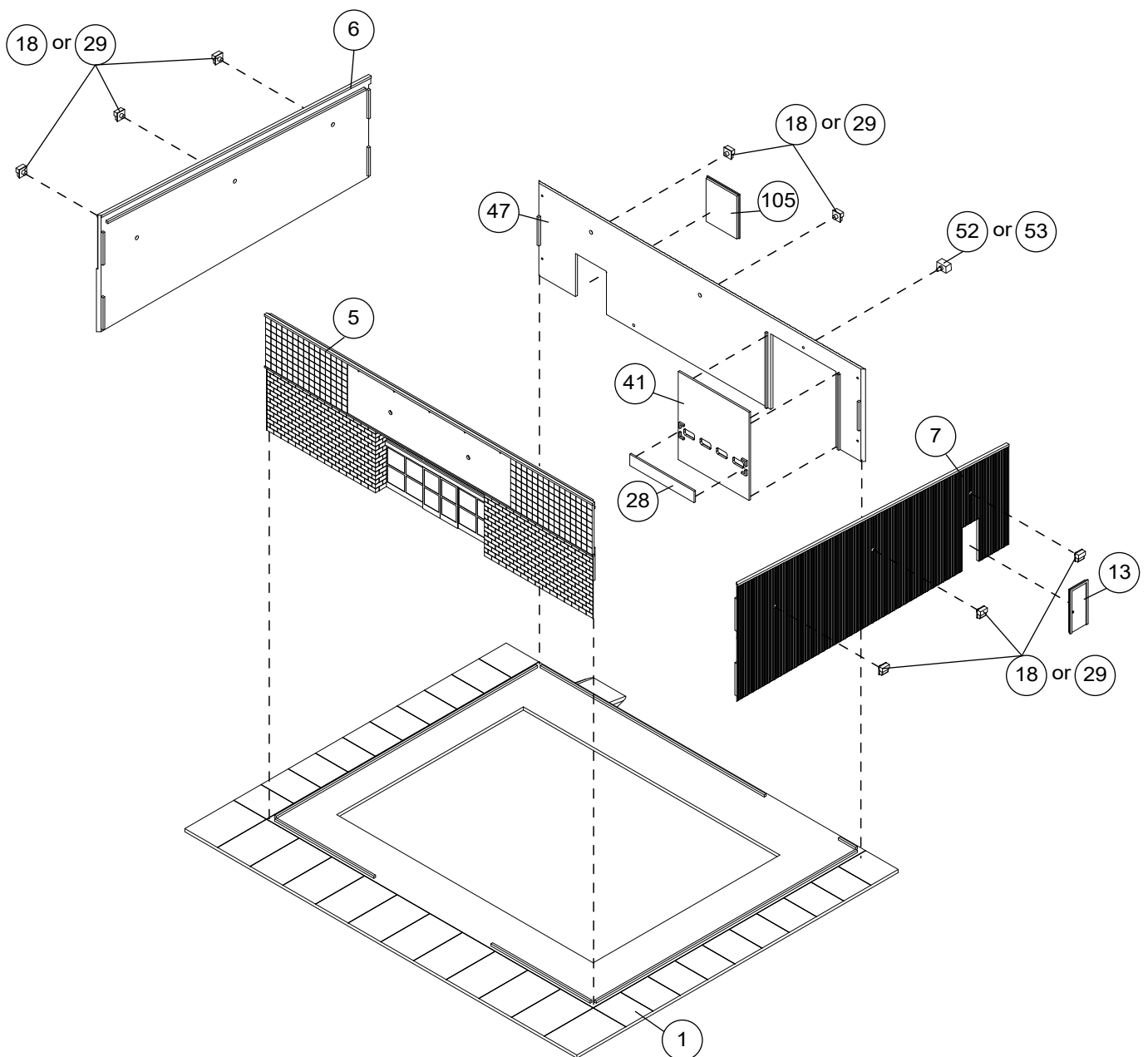
3) PLEASE NOTE: Sketch shows this assembly from the rear. Align innermost tab on Right (8) and Left (9) Entry Door Frames with openings on back of Front Wall (5) as shown, and glue in place. Glue Upper Door Frame (10) to tops of Frames and edge of Wall. Carefully align four openings in Entryway Glass (26), with pins on back of Entryway (12) and press in place; you may wish to secure the "glass" with white glue or canopy glue (both sold separately) to avoid damage. Align tabs and slots on Entryway (12) with openings and tabs on right of Frames and underside of Upper Door Frame, and carefully glue where parts meet. Insert pins on back of Front Trim Panel (36) through openings in Front Wall and glue in place from the inside.

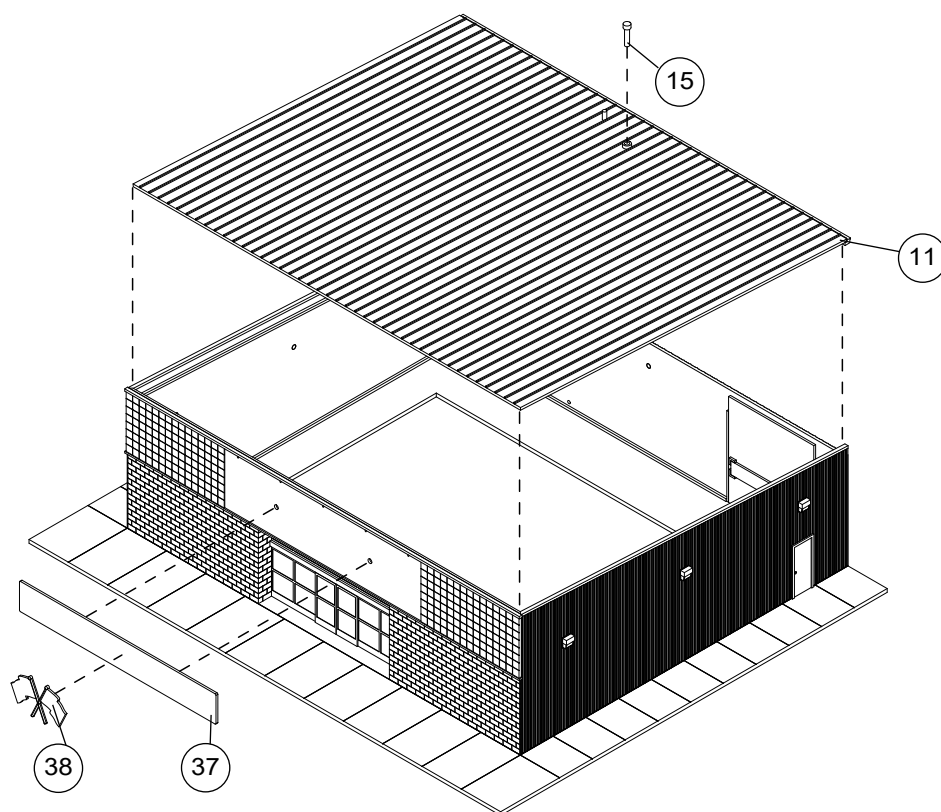


4) PLEASE NOTE: Two styles of Small Outdoor Security Lights are provided; Solid (18) or Clear (29), and a single Large Security Light; Solid (52) or Clear (53). Clear lights can be illuminated from the interior (lighting and electronics sold separately). Choose one style and insert ends of Small Lights through openings in upper Left (6), Right (7) and two openings on right side of Rear (47) Walls and glue from inside. Choose one, insert the end of the Large Security Light above the opening for the overhead Door on the Rear Wall and glue in place.

5) Glue Double-Door (105) to opening in Rear Wall. Overhead Door (41) may be glued in place or left off to model an open door; if used, align Overhead Door Glass (28) on back of Overhead door; we suggest using white glue of canopy glue to secure the "glass" in place. Glue Personnel Door (13) to opening in Right Wall.

6) Using raised ridges and slots on backs of Front (5), Left (6), Right (7) and Rear (47) Walls to align parts, glue Walls to Base (1) and at inside corners where parts meet.

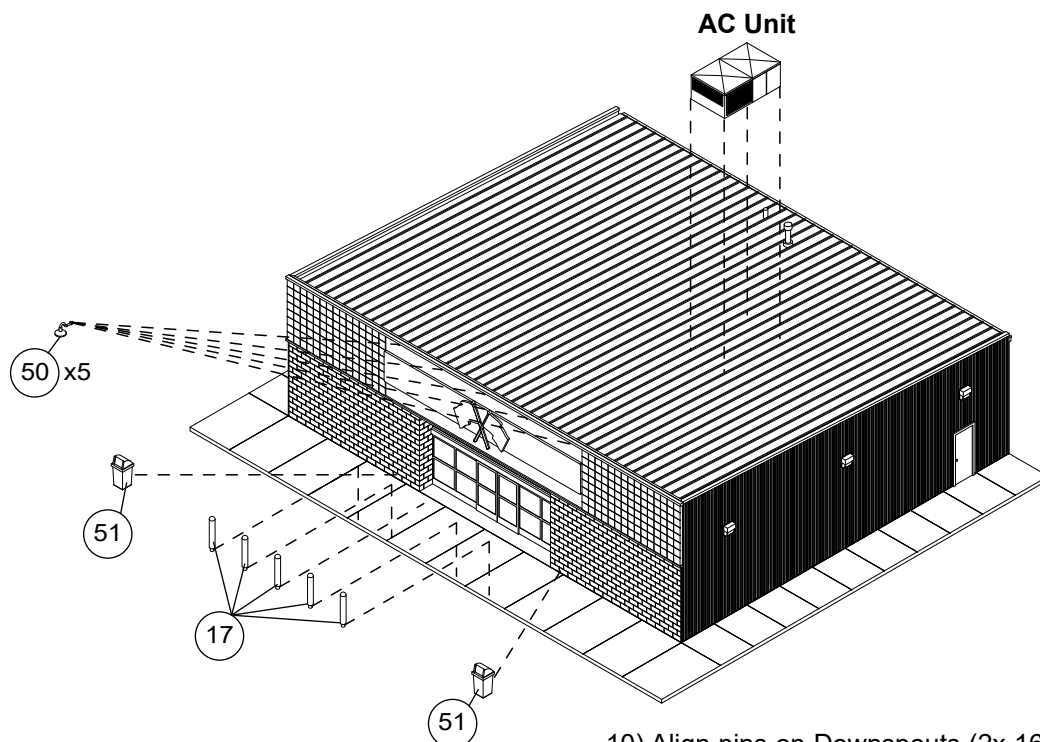




7) Insert pins on back of Front Signboard (37) through openings in Front Wall and glue from inside. Apply printed sign to front of Signboard. Center Flags (38) on Signboard and glue in place.

8) Insert Furnace Stack (15) to opening in Roof (11) and glue in place. Roof may be set in place on raised ridges of main wall assembly if you wish to install lighting or other details (not included) at another time, or glued in place as desired. Complete roof assembly by gluing Air Conditioner from Step 2 to any convenient location on the roof; a typical installation is shown.

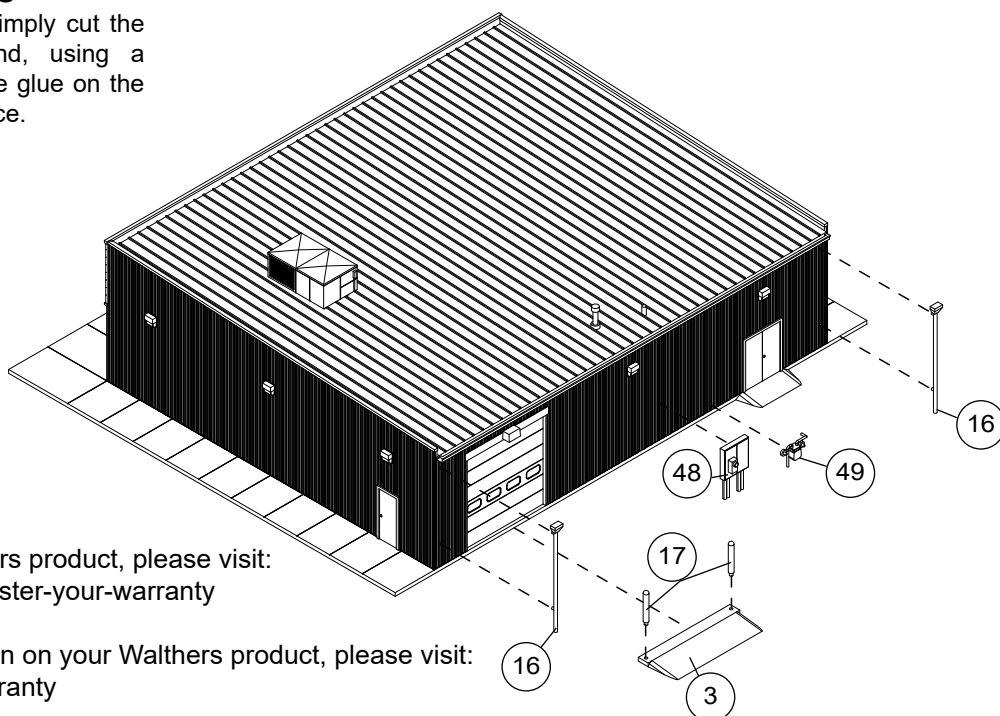
9) Insert pins on lower end of each Safety Bollard (5x 17) to openings on front of Base and glue together. Insert mounting pins on Front Sign Lamps (5x 50) in openings above Signboard and glue in place. Wastebaskets (2x 51) can be glued at any convenient location along front wall.



10) Align pins on Downspouts (2x 16) with openings at corners of Rear Wall and carefully glue in place. Glue Safety Bollards (2x 17) to openings in Ramp (3). Align Ramp in front of Overhead Door and glue to Base. PLEASE NOTE: The small round pieces molded on the piping of Gas Meter (49) simulate regulator valves - do not remove when cutting from sprues. Glue Electrical Panel (48), Gas Meter and Wastebasket (51) to any convenient spot along back wall.

SIGNS

To mount signs, simply cut the desired name and, using a small drop of white glue on the back, glue it in place.



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