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—Kids can learn about architecture and engineering while building. The **Bridge & Turnpike Tekton Truss Bridge** set, for ages 8 and up, allows kids to construct bridges with hundreds of plastic pieces. There are simple explanations of truss bridges (which are made from triangles), and the pieces are scale models of actual bridge parts. Other sets include buildings, which can be combined to make cityscapes. The manufacturer, Bridge Street Toys, is a true family business; Carol and Paul Flack, engineers, and their 10-year-old and 12-year-old children, run the company. The bridge set is \$42.95 at www.bridgestreettoys.com.



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