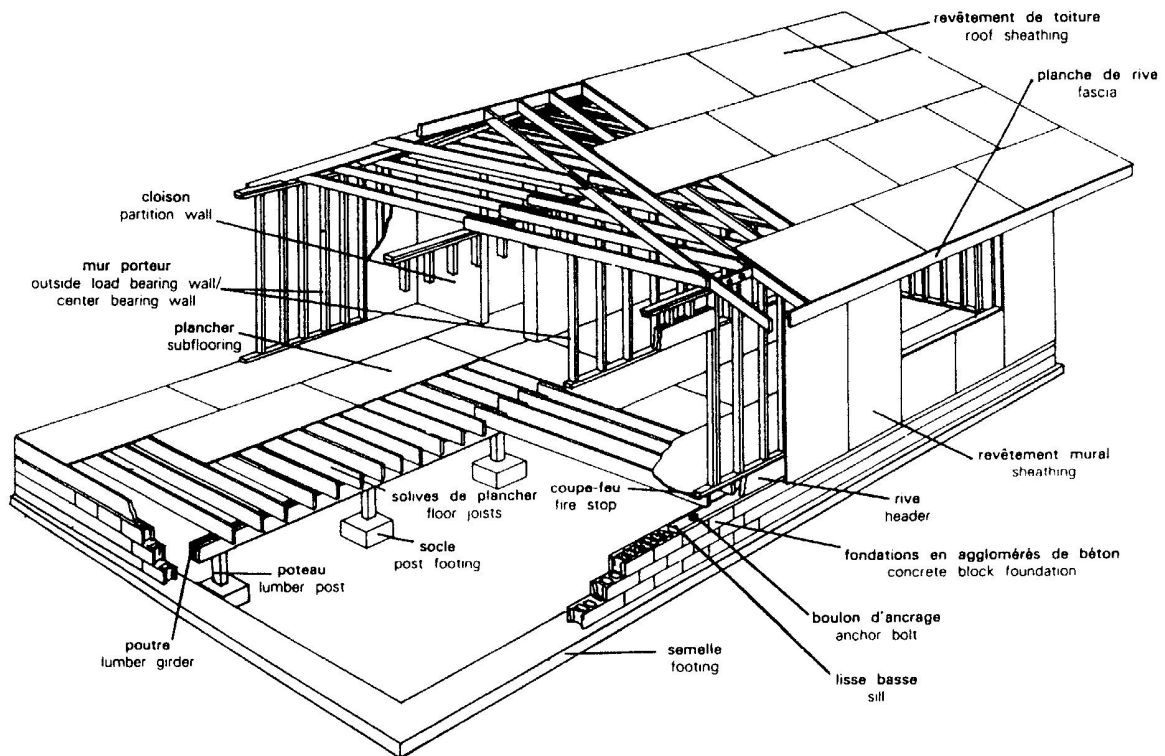


Fondations

Certaines maisons sont construites sur *piers enterrés*. D'autres sont construites sur *dalles en béton armé*. La partie construite en sous-sol s'appelle la *cave* ou le *soubassement*. Les maisons sans caves disposent d'un espace entre les solives du plancher et le sol, le *vide sanitaire*, permettant d'accéder aux tuyauteries.



Foundation

Some houses are built on sunken *posts*, or *piers*. Others are built on concrete floors, or *slabs*. The area of a house built below ground level is the *basement*. Houses without basements usually have an area between the floor joists and the ground called a *crawl space*, through which access is gained to inspect pipes.