The residents' shared memories and the awareness for making a better living environment

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Aim of Study
This study aims to discern the influence of resident's memories in the present interaction between the residents and their house and its surrounding and to clarify the role of memory evoking in supporting a sustainable living environment.

Method of Study
- **Field interview** (to 24 informants)
  This study needs to get a deep understanding of what and how informants evoke and speak about their past.
  The field interview was conducted to 24 residents who live in the old traditional Javanese house in Kotagede area, a Javanese traditional living environment at Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

- **Location of Kotagede as a study area**

Javanese traditional house

- **senthong**
  Literally means room
  Considered as a sacred space

- **ndalem**
  Literally means house
  The main part of the Javanese house

- **gandok**
  The attached part of the house to accommodating daily activity

- **perdopo**
  The most "public" part of the house

- **Basically the informants were asked to talk about their experience during living inside their old houses, including their reminiscences about their old house.**

- **To supplement the interview data, visual recordings (sketching, photographing) were taken.**

- **A qualitative analysis was conducted to the transcription of interview data as well the visual recording data to get a description from different qualitative aspects of the informant's recollected memories.**