



# SPACE

one of the seven  
Elements of Art

**SPACE** is the emptiness or area around, above, below, between, or within objects. Creating **SPACE** in an artwork can be simple to accomplish once you understand a few of the ways to do it! On the next page, you'll learn six ways an artist can create the illusion of space on a flat surface like a painting or drawing:

**OVERLAPPING**

**PLACEMENT**

**SIZE**

**DETAIL**

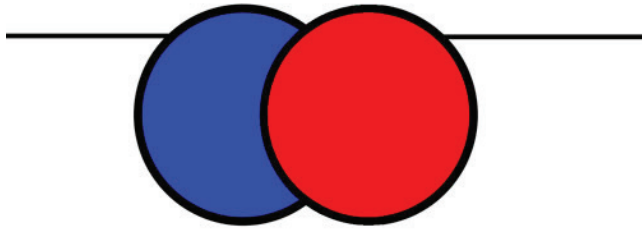
**COLOR AND VALUE**

**PERSPECTIVE**

Take a moment to study the pictures, then try to recreate each of the techniques yourself. Think about what you see. Which one makes something look further away? How does using color change the way the images look to you?

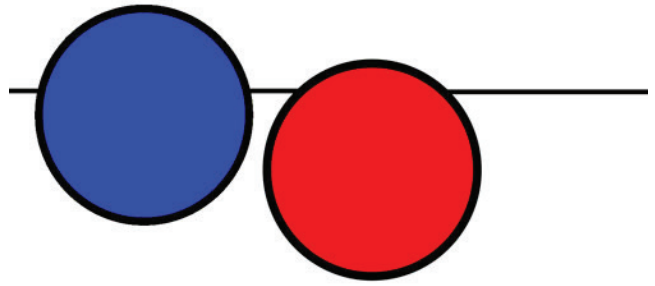
On the worksheet pages that follow the examples, hunt for the names of space-related words and phrases in a word search and untangle the letters in a word scramble.

Have fun!



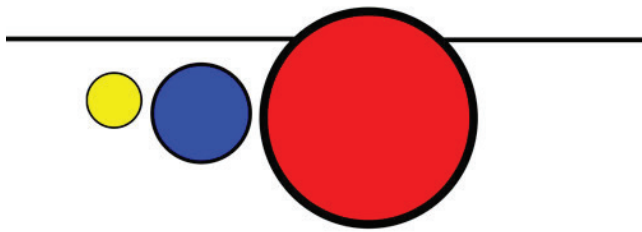
### Overlapping

Occurs when objects that are closer to the viewer prevent the view of objects that are behind them.



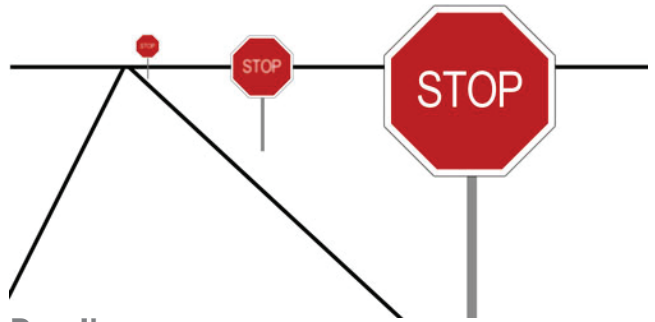
### Placement on the paper

Objects placed higher within the picture plane will appear further away.



### Size

Objects that are smaller will appear further away from the viewer.



### Detail

Objects that are further away should have less detail than objects that are closer to the viewer.



### Color and Value

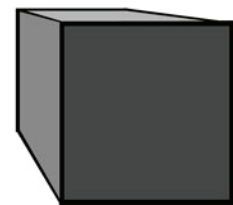
Objects that are further away are cooler in color temperature, while objects that are closer are warmer. Objects that are further away are lighter in value, while objects that are closer are typically darker in value.

### Perspective

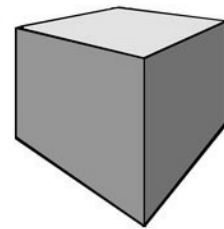
Linear perspective is a drawing method that uses lines to create the illusion of space on a flat surface.



One point perspective uses one vanishing point to accomplish this illusion.



Two point perspective uses two vanishing points to create the illusion of space.



*The illustrations and text on this page were created for an online lesson about space on [thevirtualinstructor.com](http://thevirtualinstructor.com)*

LOOK UP AND DOWN AND ACROSS TO FIND THESE HIDDEN WORDS ABOUT SPACE

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|--------|----------|-------------|----------|
| 2D     | Cool     | Form        | Positive |
| 3D     | Dark     | Light       | Size     |
| Above  | Depth    | Negative    | Space    |
| Around | Detail   | Overlapping | Value    |
| Below  | Flat     | Perspective | Warm     |
| Color  | Floating | Placement   | Within   |

N F A R O U N D C W F G D N R W B  
 V O W A R M L 2 E P V B E L O W V  
 M R E G W C R 2 T F 3 C F 2 Z P D  
 D M F P R M Z 3 D E T A I L K F E  
 U 2 L 3 U V O C R O C G G I D W P  
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 E A I Z U M A F L A T V A B O V E  
 V W I T H I N E N B D A R H U 2 N  
 E P O S I T I V E M E I U Z G E T  
 E O V E R L A P P I N G B Z I N R

**Unscramble these words about SPACE**

(HINT: They are the same as the Word Search)

1. OEABV \_\_\_\_\_

2. NADURO \_\_\_\_\_

3. WOEBL \_\_\_\_\_

4. ETDPH \_\_\_\_\_

5. ADLTEI \_\_\_\_\_

6. LTFA \_\_\_\_\_

7. IGLAONFT \_\_\_\_\_

8. MOFR \_\_\_\_\_

9. EITVENAG \_\_\_\_\_

10. AVEPPRNLGIO \_\_\_\_\_

11. PCRESITVEEP \_\_\_\_\_

12. PEATMNLEC \_\_\_\_\_

13. ISIPVEOT \_\_\_\_\_

14. EZSI \_\_\_\_\_

15. CPEAS \_\_\_\_\_

16. UEVAL \_\_\_\_\_

17. WINIHT \_\_\_\_\_