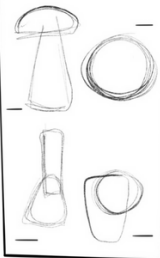


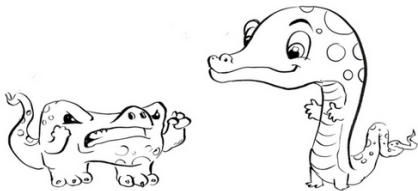
CARTOONING FROM BASIC SHAPES



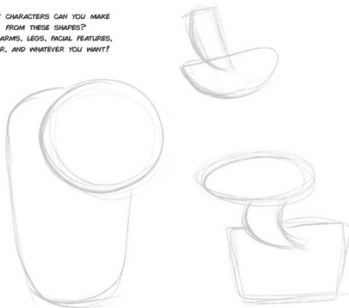
CAN YOU FIGURE OUT WHICH CHARACTERS WERE MADE FROM WHICH BASIC SHAPES?



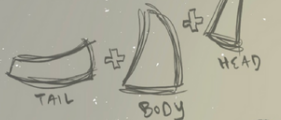
SEE HOW I MADE THESE FUNNY LIZARDS OUT OF BASIC SHAPES?
WHAT ARE THESE FUNNY LIZARDS TALKING ABOUT? TRY COLORING THESE GUYS.
ADDING A BACKGROUND, SPEECH BUBBLES, OR WHATEVER YOU WANT!



WHAT CHARACTERS CAN YOU MAKE FROM THESE SHAPES?
ADD ARMS, LEGS, FACIAL FEATURES,
COLOR, AND WHATEVER YOU WANT!



JUST VARIATIONS
OF A FEW
BASIC SHAPES

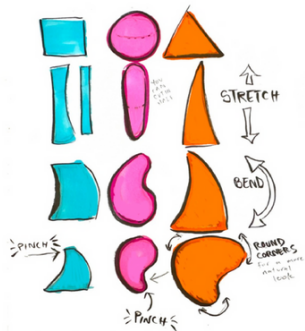


*JUST
STRETCH &
SHRINK
& COMBINE



START WITH BASIC SHAPES

→ then STRETCH
BEND OR
PINCH



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KIDS CARTOON
ACADEMY



CAN YOU TELL WHICH
SHAPES I USED FOR
THE - HEAD
- BODY
- LEGS?



IT'S ALL SHAPES!

BREAK DOWN THESE CHARACTERS INTO THE MOST BASIC SHAPES AND THEN USE THOSE TO HELP YOU DRAW YOURSELF IN THE STYLE OF ANY OF THESE CHARACTERS!



HOW TO DRAW UNIQUE SNOWMEN USING THUMBNAIL SKETCHES AND INTERESTING SHAPES

CAN YOU RECOGNIZE THESE?

A **silhouette thumbnail** is a cool way to come up with concept character designs! It shows the shape of your character without too much detail, but you can still tell who they are. It makes sure you have a great design in place before you spend all your time detailing.



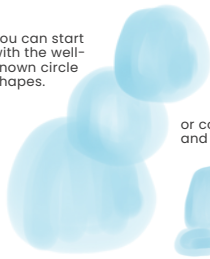
LET'S TRY IT WITH SNOWMEN!...

Start with basic shapes, then fill in the shape to create a distinct silhouette. You will need just a simple light colored marker; blue or light grey will do.

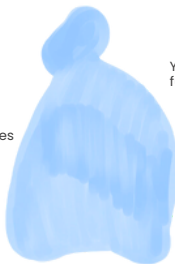
Use **Contrasting Sizes and Shapes** in the same character for more interesting design. Like big heads with little bodies, or vice versa.



You can start with the well-known circle shapes.



or combine big and small shapes



You can add some fun, natural shapes!



Try unique combinations for more interesting snowmen designs.

TIME TO DRAW!

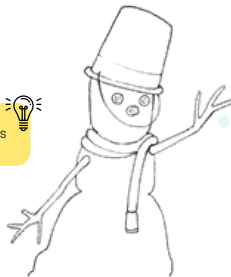
Choose your favorite thumbnail sketch from your snowman mockups, then add the details and accessories that create a story about your snowman character.

1. On another piece of paper, trace the outline of your thumbnail sketch.



2. Add details.

You can use image references for inspiration.



I think this snowman was made in the garden, so there could be a bucket, a water hose, stones and sticks..

What else can be found in the garden?

3. Color it.

Remember to start with light colors and then gradually add darker ones.



TIP! COLORLESS BLENDERS
These transparent markers come in alcohol marker sets. They can help blend the light blue or grey colors into a soft gradient shadow.



How about you?
How would you decorate his snowman friends?

Try to add the details and decorate his friends:



HOW TO DRAW A UNIQUE SNOWMAN



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Remember:

A snowman is made of snow, so it should look roundish and soft.



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What are some attributes that we can add to our snowmen to make it look more unique?

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OH YEAH!

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