

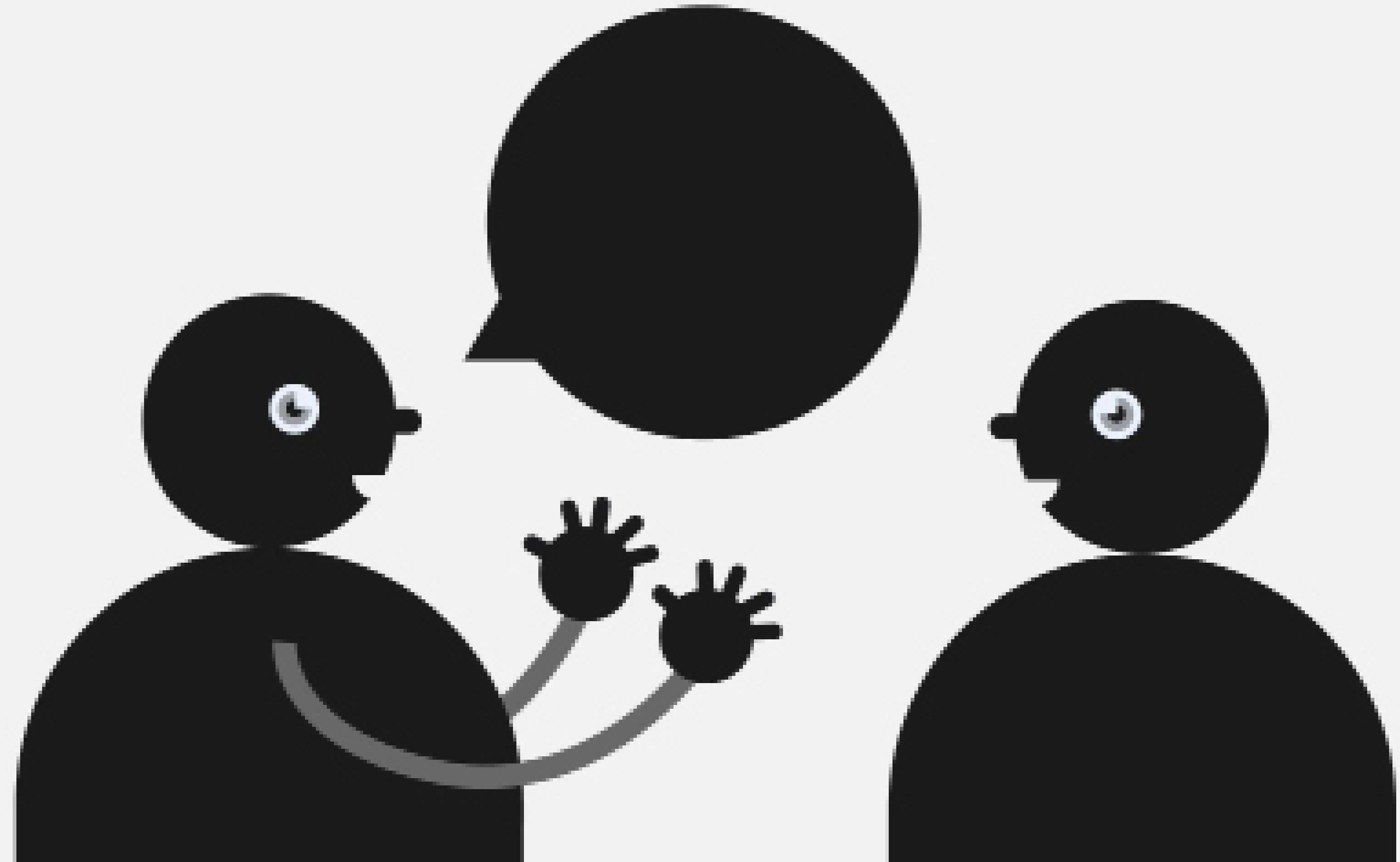
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# Preliminary Design Basics

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TEACHING AND  
LEARNING CENTRE







**Content**

**Context  
audience/  
environment**

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**Designing it is the last stretch. All your  
work takes its form at this point.**

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**Appropriateness is everything.**  
**Is it appropriate to the content and**  
**context? There are limits to the**  
**solution.**

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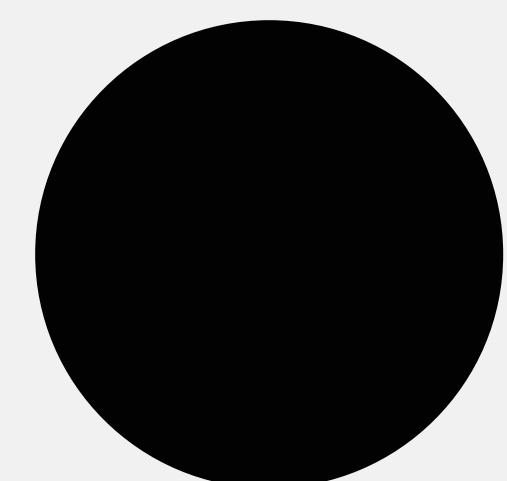
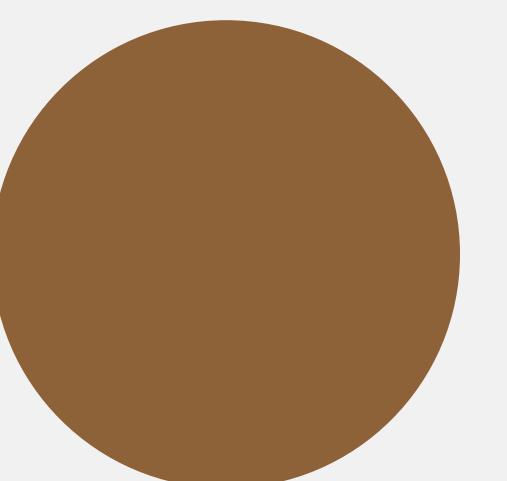
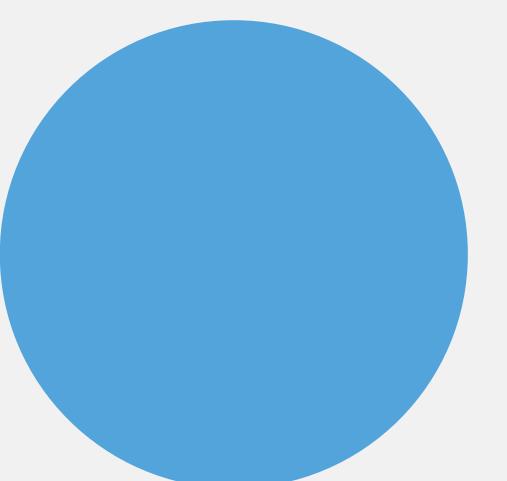
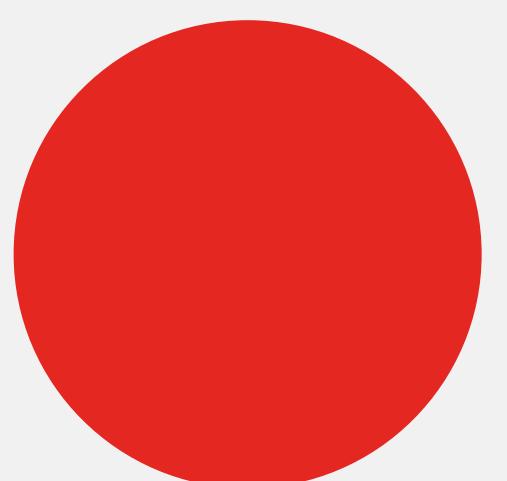
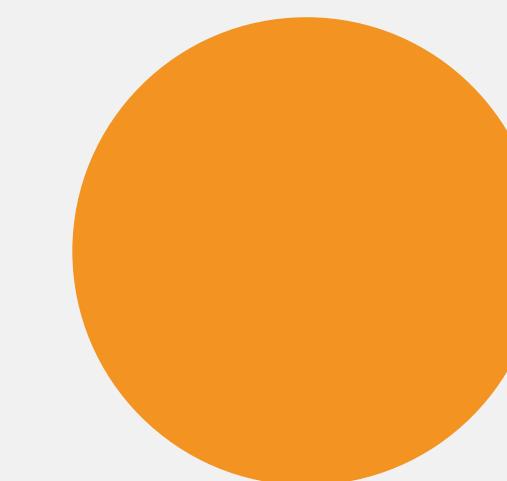
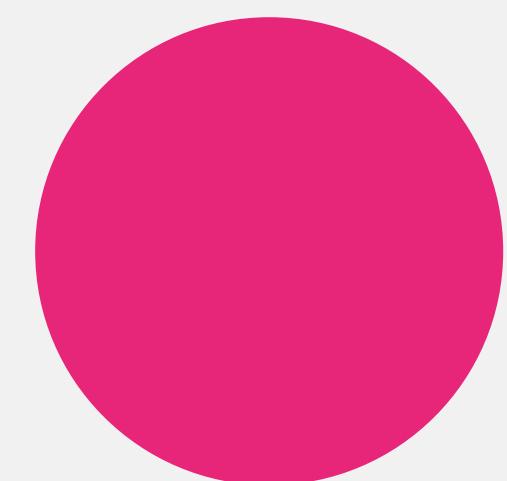
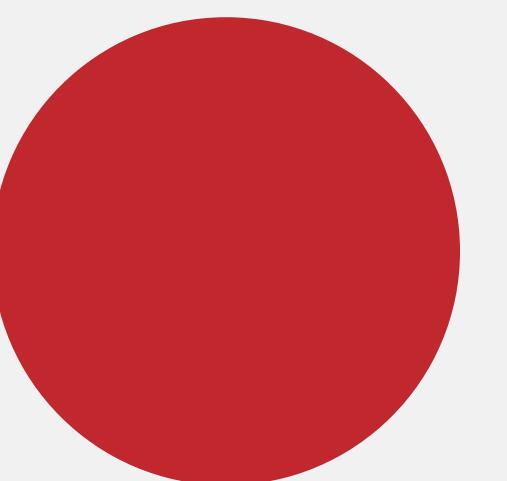
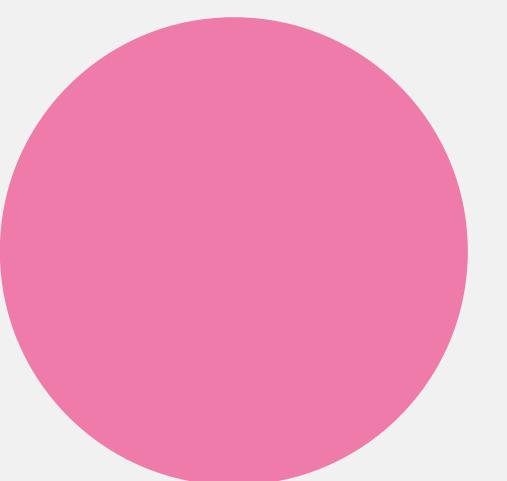
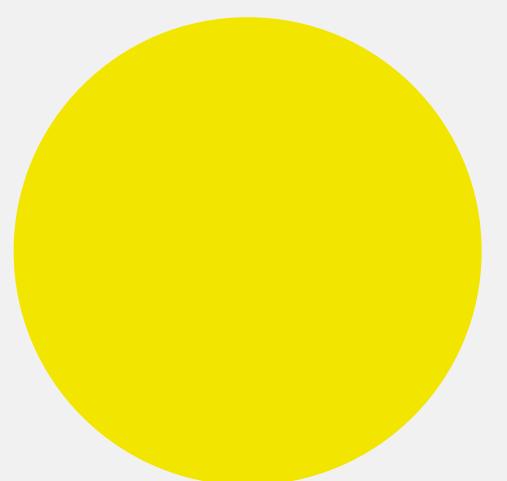
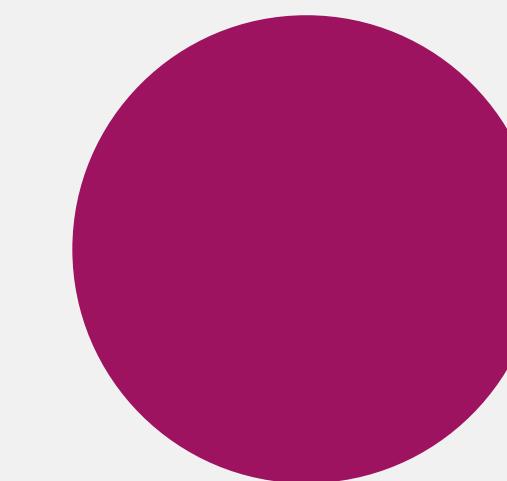
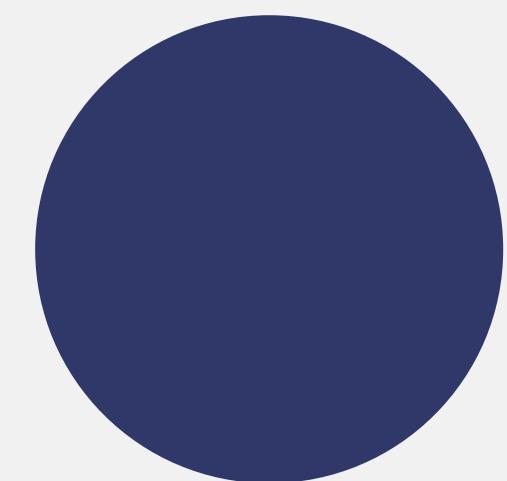
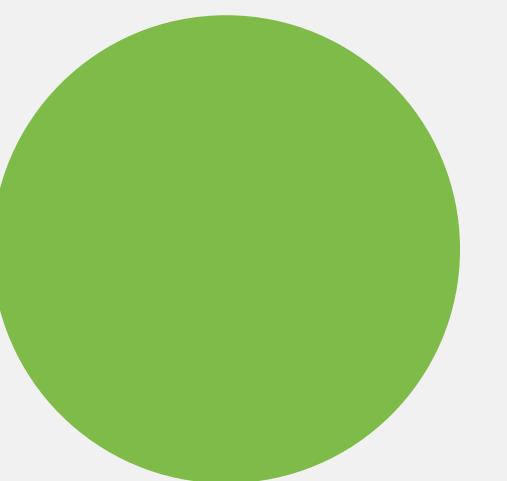
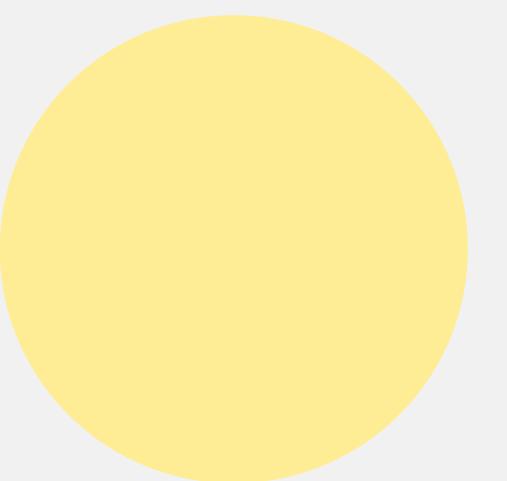
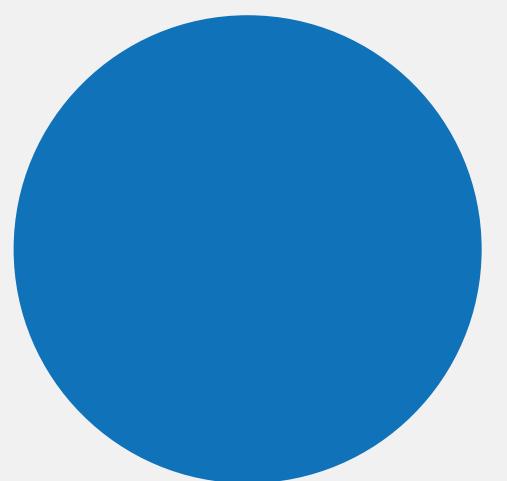
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**Intellectual Elegance:  
Clarity of thought leads to clarity of  
words which leads to clarity in design.**

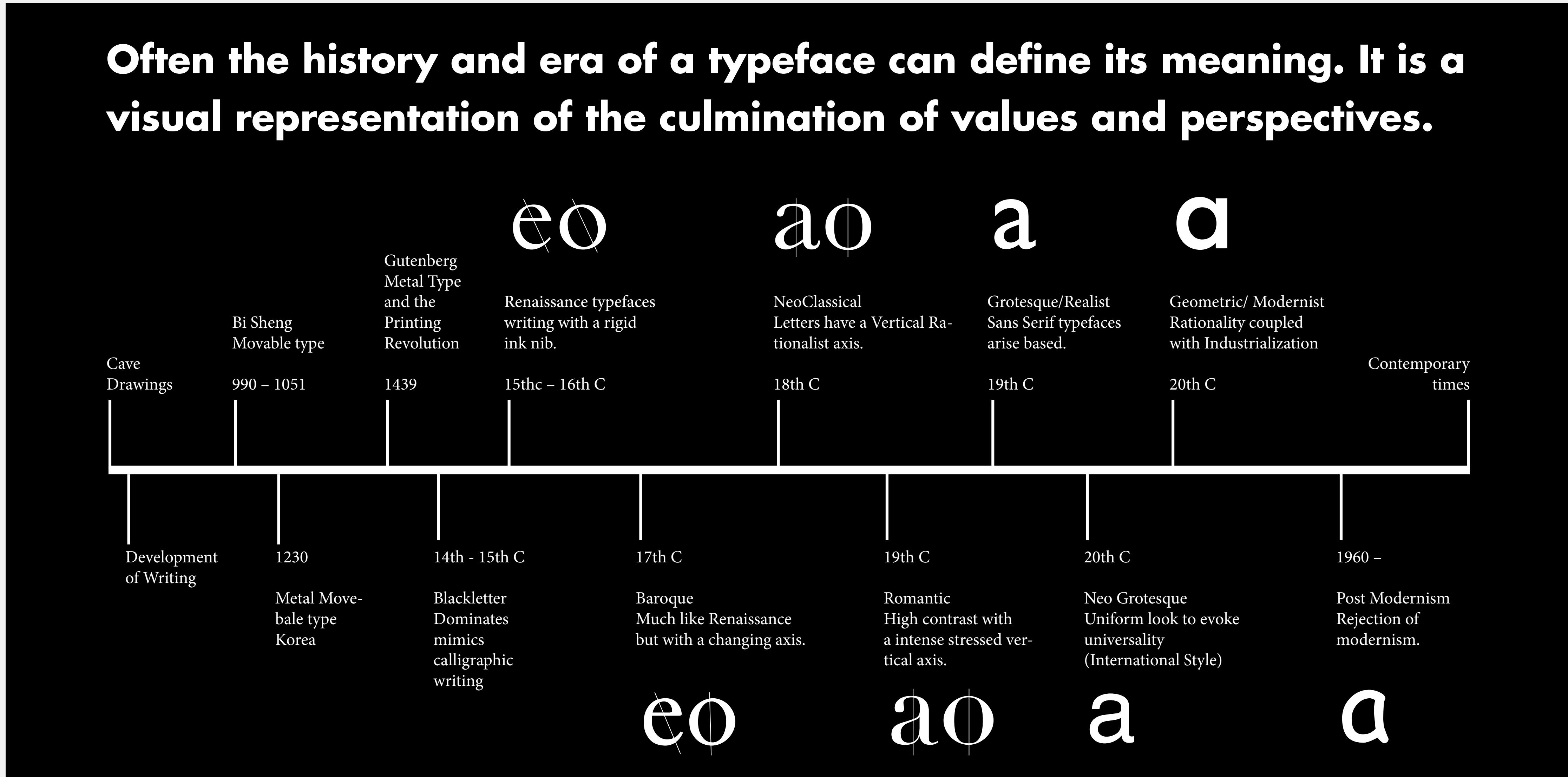
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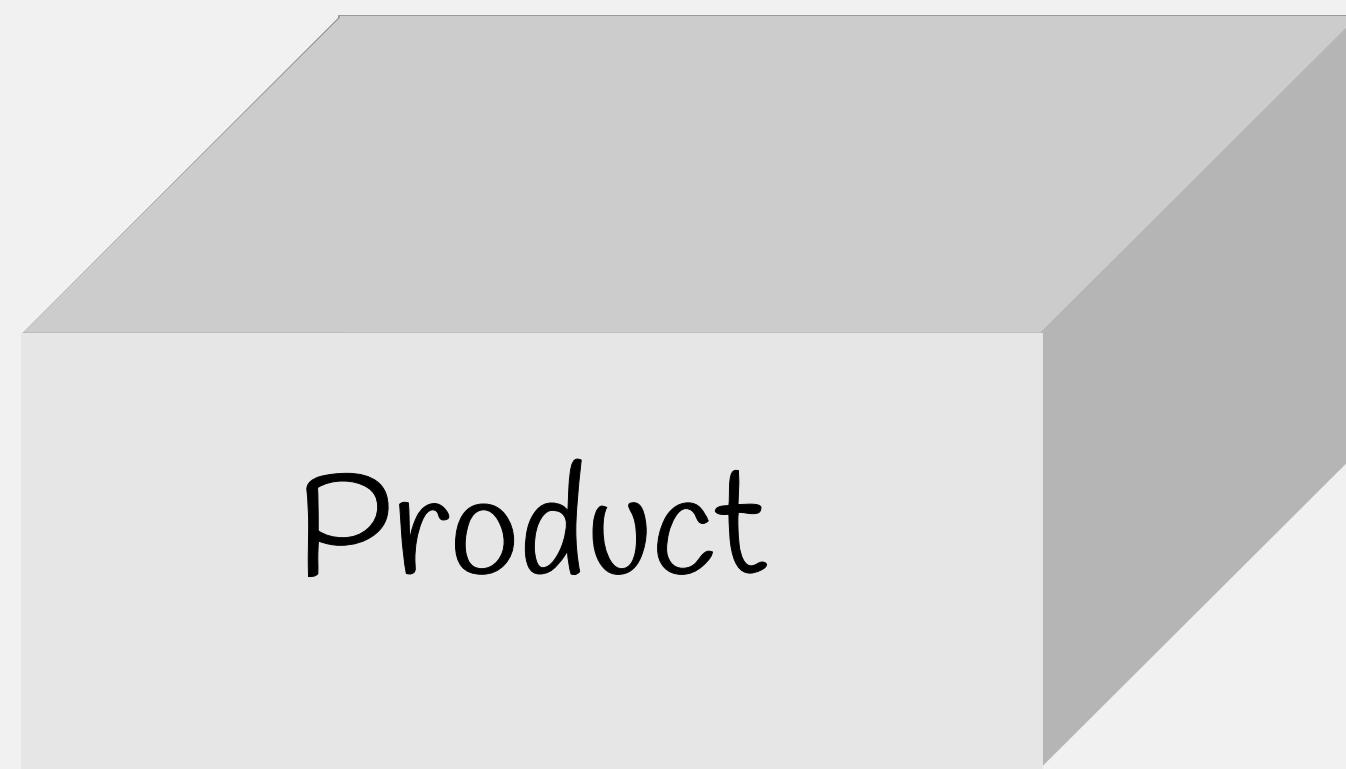
**Know your audience**



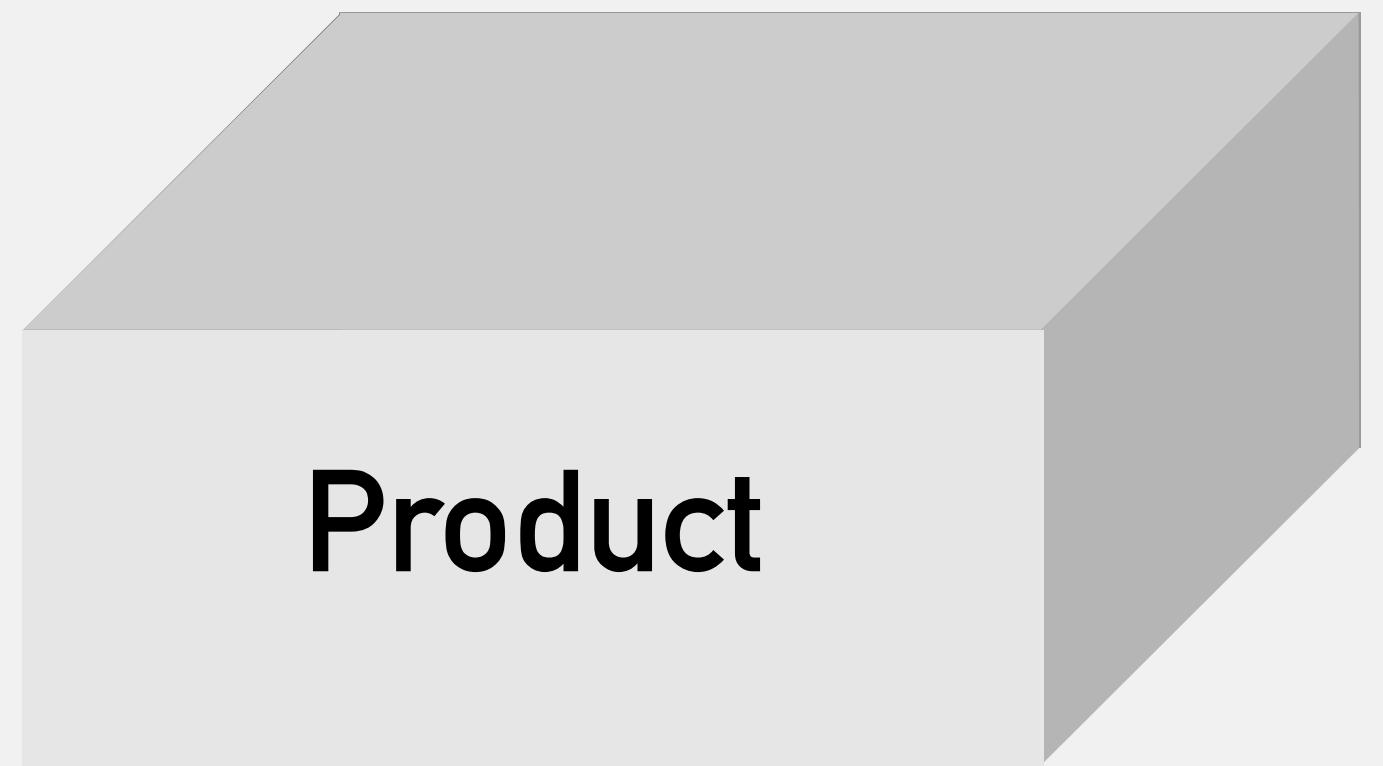
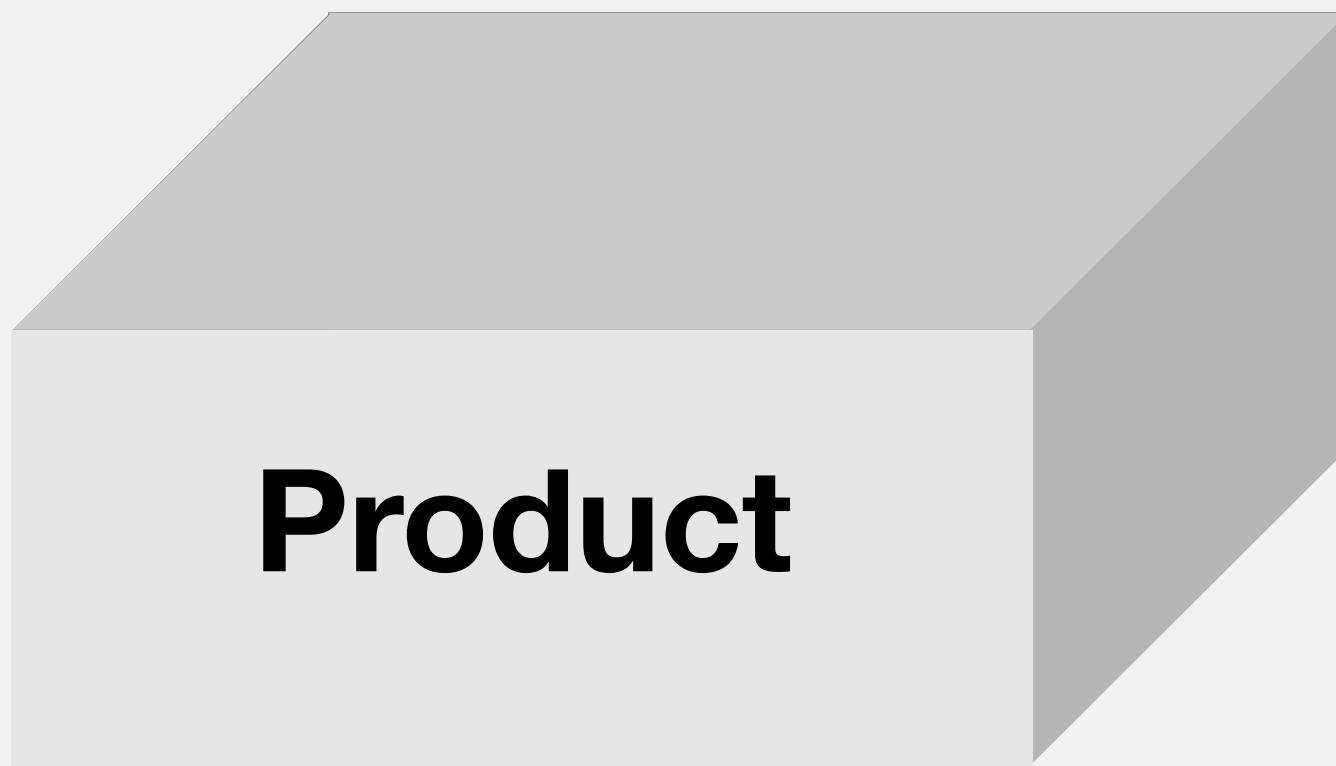
**Often the history and era of a typeface can define its meaning. It is a visual representation of the culmination of values and perspectives.**



# What is inside? Who is it for? 1 / 3



# **What is inside? Who is it for? 2/3**



# What is inside? Who is it for? 3/3



Product

Product

**Product**

Courier – A History of Secretaries

Didot – An Analysis of Perfume Families

Avenir – Forward Friendly Famly Care Policies

**Bevan - Industrial Technologies and Digital Culture**

# Body Font and Display

## Page title

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Pull out text, to describe something.

### Heading 2

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*“Here is a quote”*

*“Also used for dialogue”*

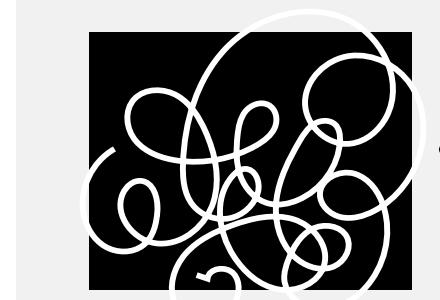
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- List Item 1
- List Item 2

#### HEADING FOR TABLES


FIGURE 1.0 — An example of a caption



# Main Poster Title

A Longer Subtitle to Further Explain Research and Other Things

## ABSTRACT

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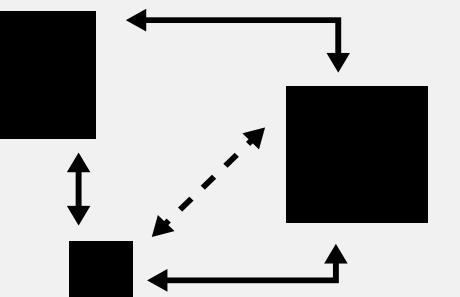
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PLACE OF RESEARCH

SUPERVISOR

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Move up and down from your body text size in a consistent manner

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## Body font sizes –

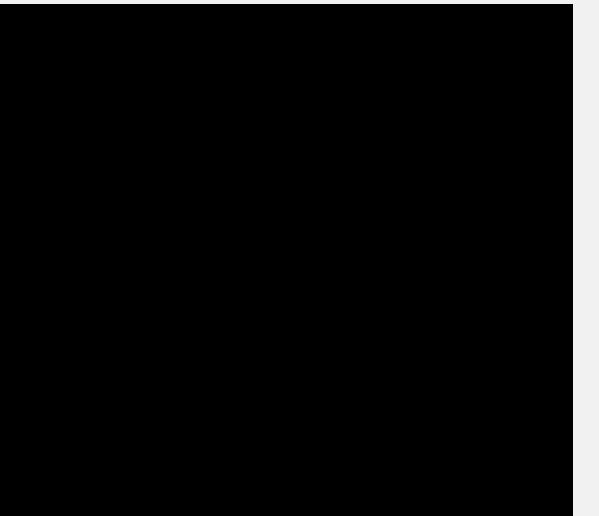
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Size 2 – Pull out Text/Quote

Size 3 – References

Size 4 – Authors

Size 5 – Main Poster Subtitle



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## CONCLUSION

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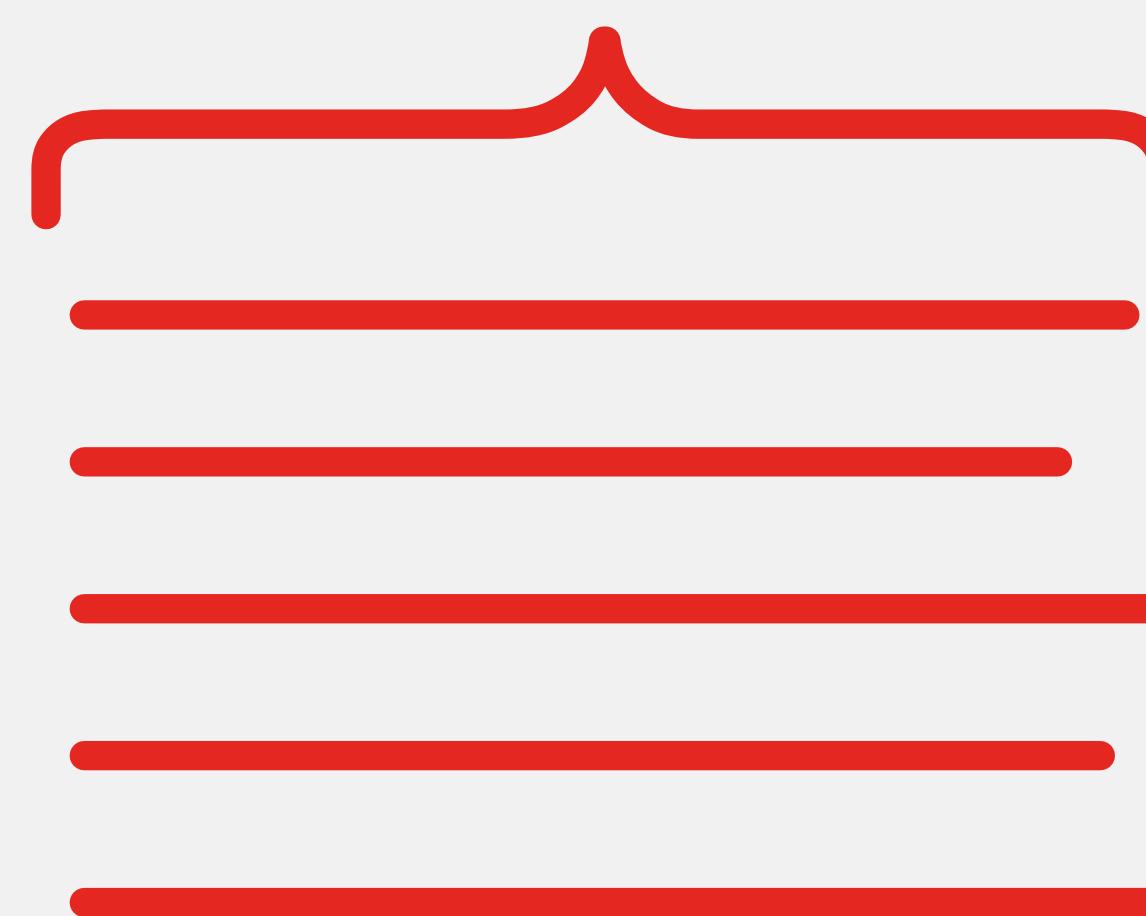
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# Legibility, Body Text Size, Line Spacing and Line Length

**Characters in a line should be around 45–70, shorter if text is in columns**



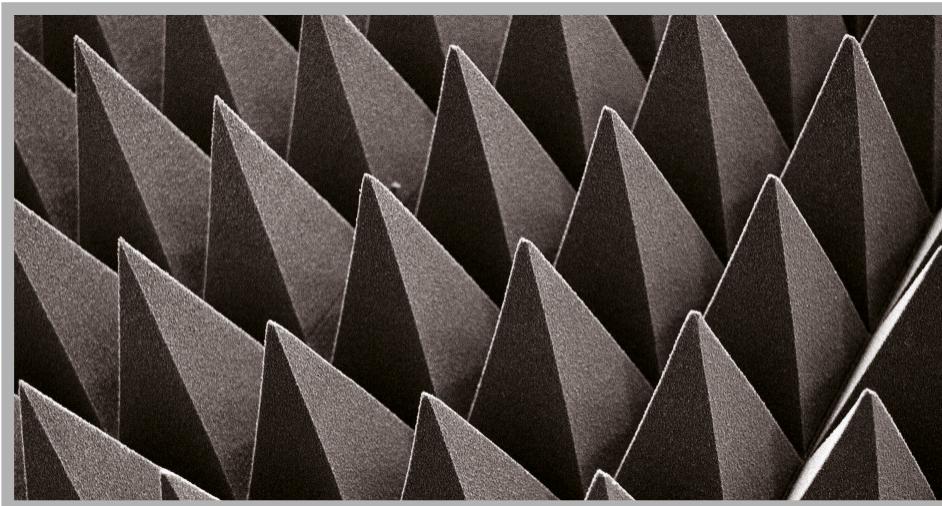
**Print out a sample of your text/unfinished design to see if it is comfortable to read under similar display conditions.**



**Spacing of 1.03 – 1.45 for body text. You can also use a multiples of a static value**

# Align Everything!

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the  
modern  
way



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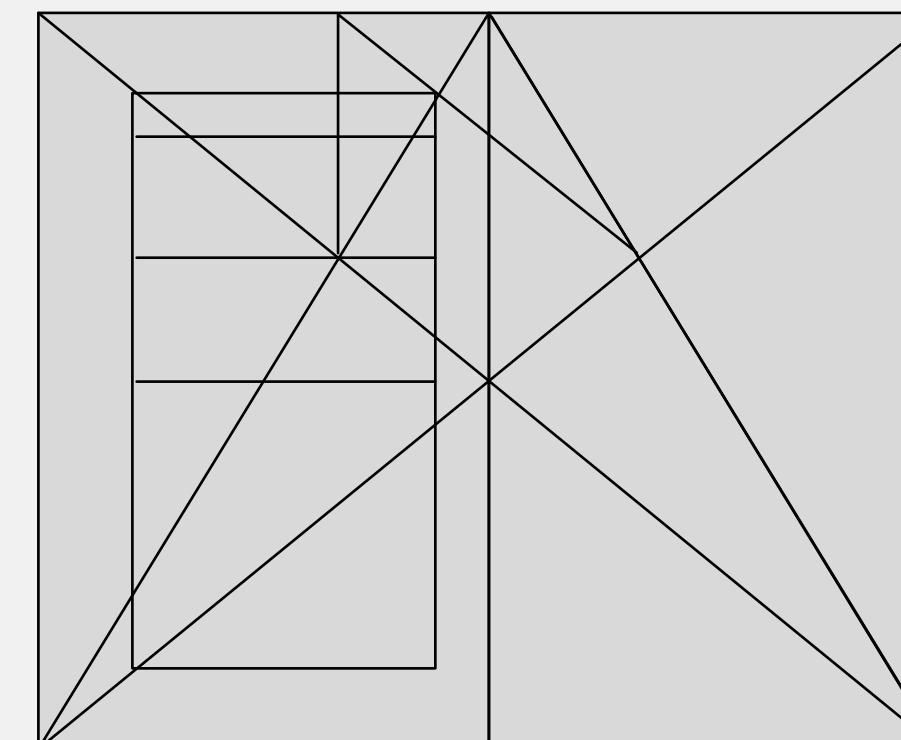
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**title**

Aliquam ut metus sapien.

**section**

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# Align Everything 2



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# Images (Resolution)



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For an 8.5 x 11 Image, greater than 2 Mb



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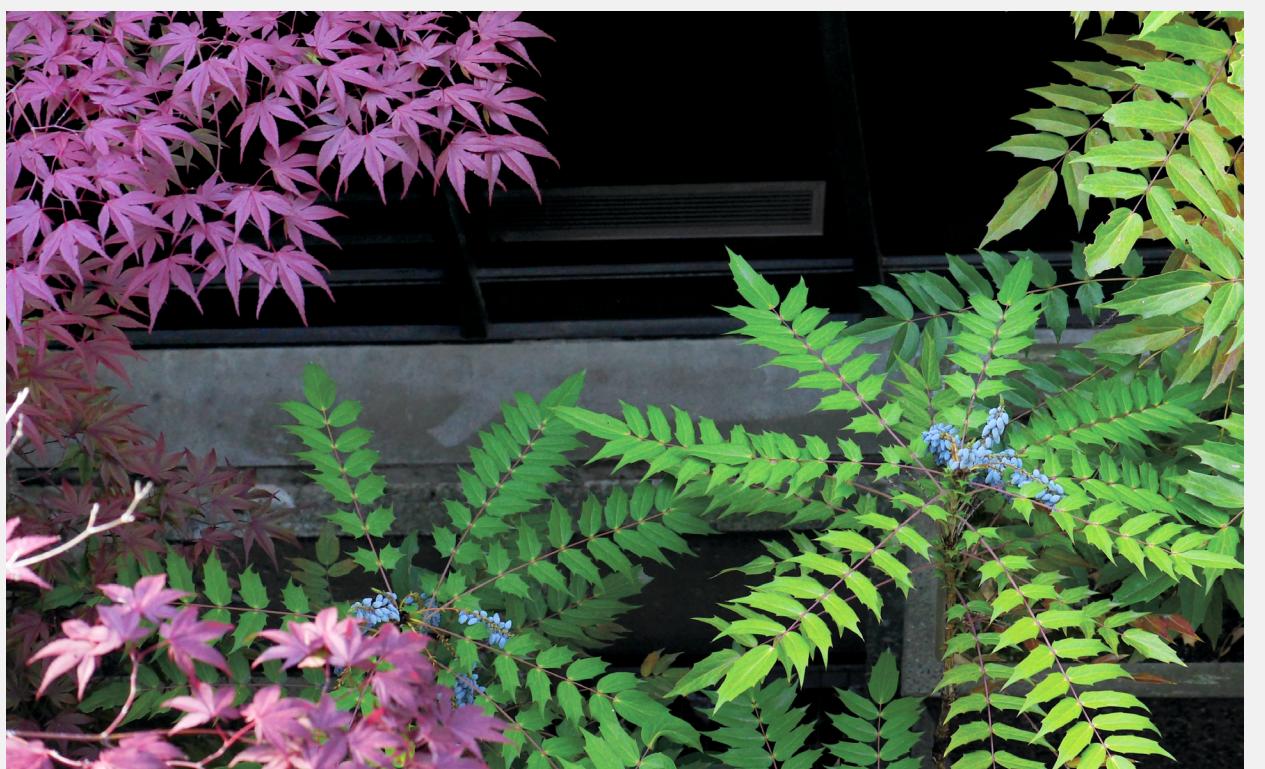
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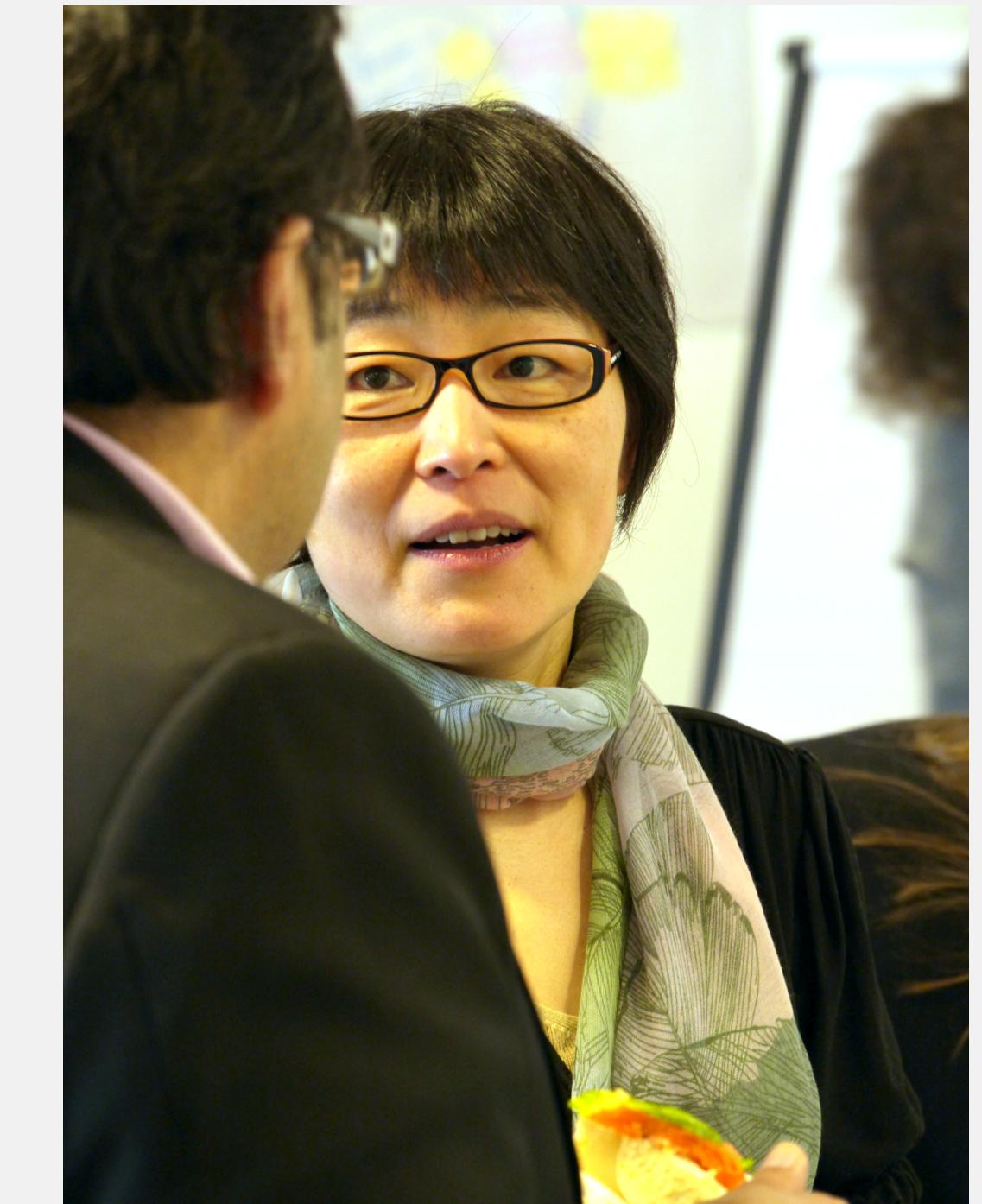
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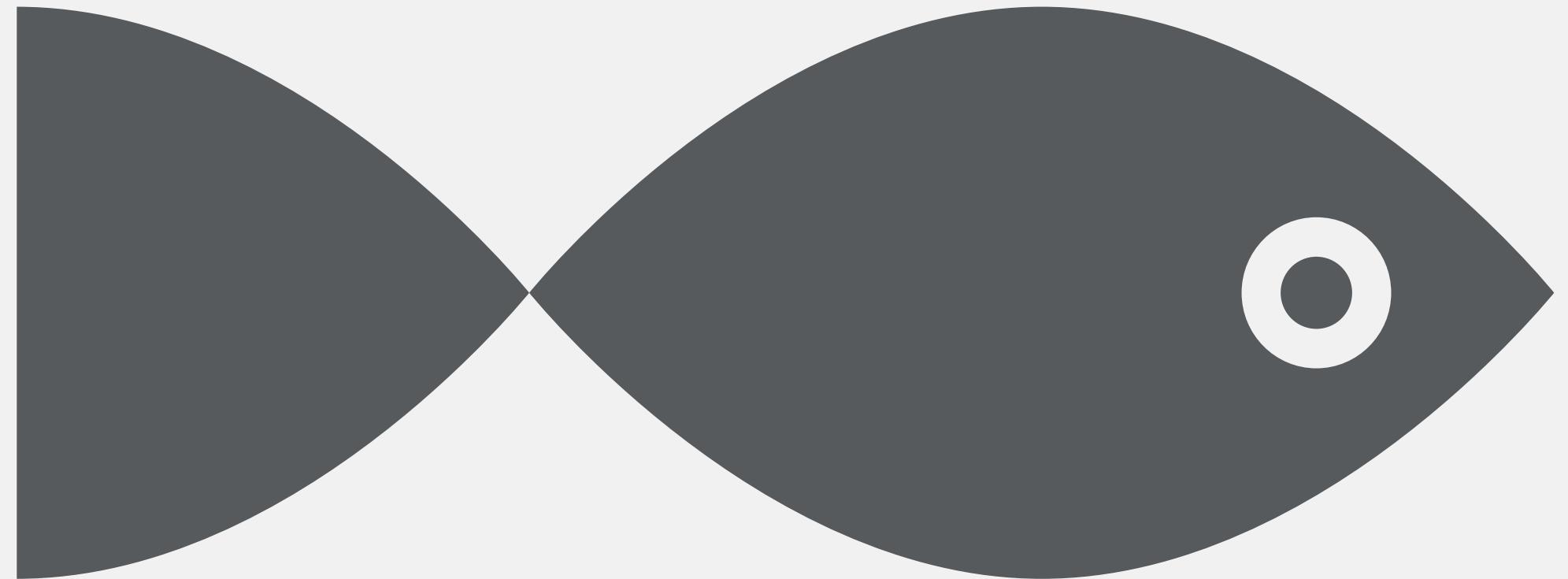
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**Proper Focus**

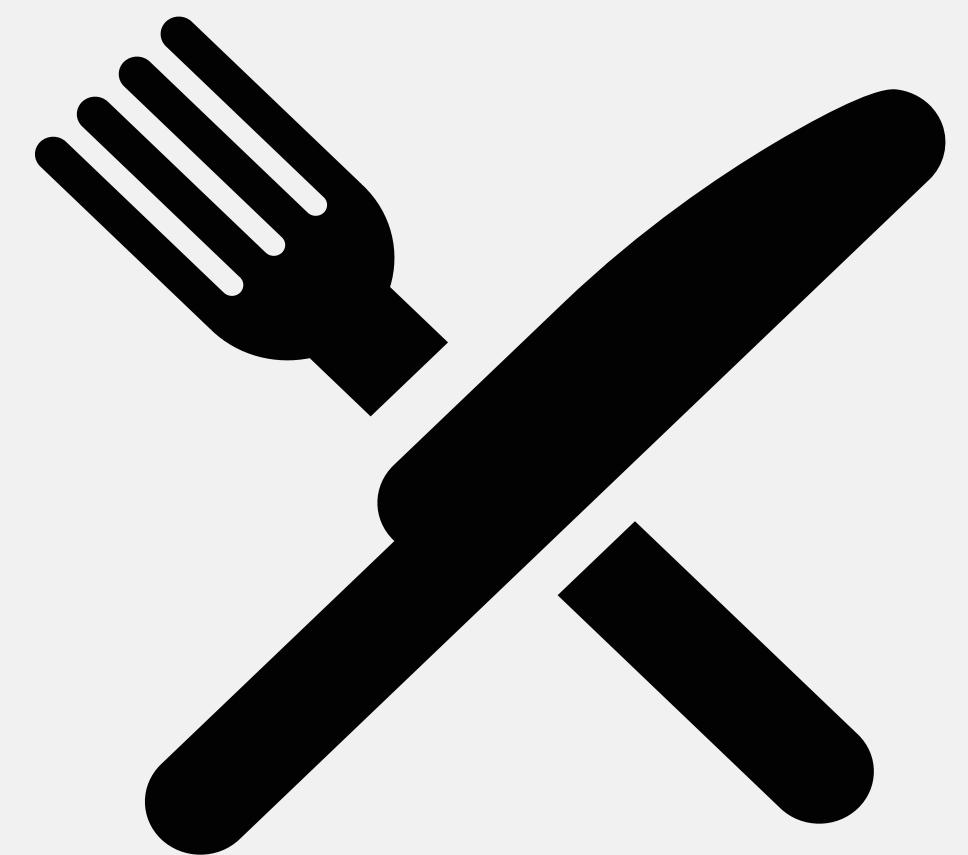
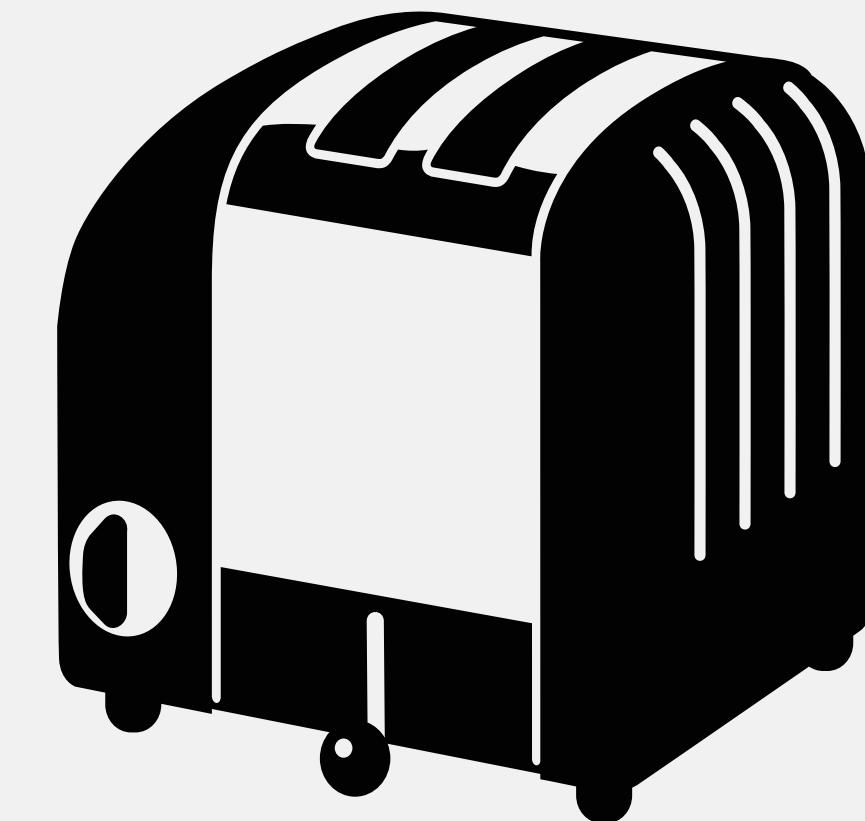
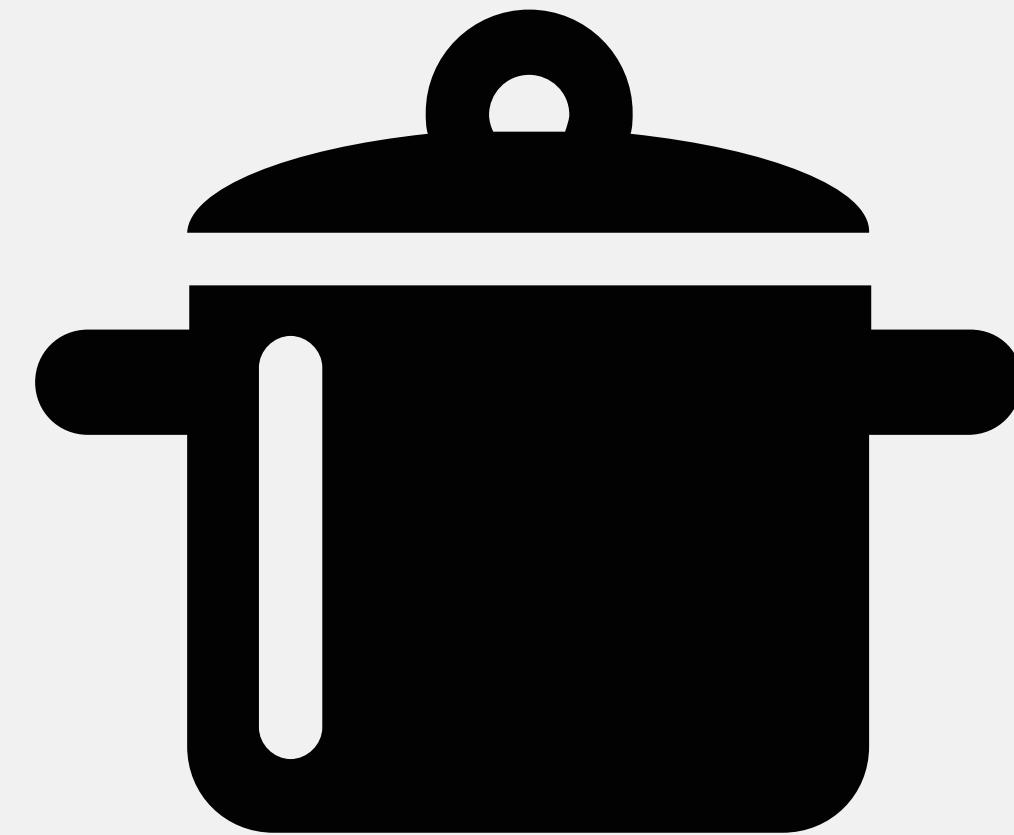


# Icons



Icons can be used to create graphic and eye-catching designs and encapsulate complex ideas.

# Which does not belong stylistically?



Juicer Jug by Creative Stall/Pot by Dillon Choudhury/Toaster by Simon Child/ Silverware by Andrew Was/All from the Noun Project

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# **Where to Start/How to work**

- Throw everything on the page
- Style text based off body typeface and its linespacing
- Move elements around until it starts to portray the content well and begins to “tell the story”
- Align elements to each other
- Print a rough draft to see if type sizes and graphics work
- Take a rest and repeat until poster is appropriate to the content and context (audience/environment)

# Hints and Advice

- Make everything more visual – Can the content be changed to a diagram, flowchart, map, etc. ?
- Question the content – Can it be made shorter? Can it be a list?
- Less is more, especially with type and decorative elements.
- Take a break from it and give yourself time.

# When is it Finished?

- Do all the elements contribute to telling a story in the best possible way?
- Do all elements work together? Do they match?
- Are things spaced evenly and aligned?
- Are the elements consistent?
- Do you have time left?

# **Resources**

**[edmedia.tlc.sfu.ca/going-graphic/](http://edmedia.tlc.sfu.ca/going-graphic/)**