

Elements of Art

Line



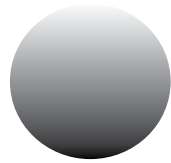
Line is the path of a moving point. Lines define the edges of shapes and forms.

Shape



Shape is an area enclosed by line. It is 2 dimensional and can be geometric or organic.

Form



Forms are 3-Dimensional. They occupy space or give the illusion that they occupy the space.

Color



Color is the most expressive element of art and is seen by the way light reflects off a surface.

Value



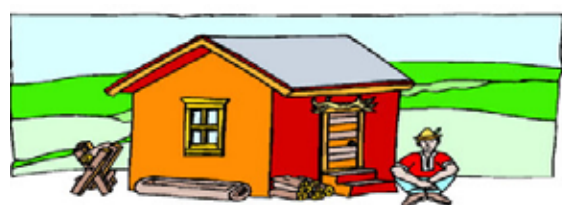
Value is the lightness or darkness of a surface. It is often referred to when shading but value is also important in the study of color.

Texture



Texture is the actual surface feel or the simulated appearance of roughness, smoothness & many others.

Space



Space is the illusion of objects having depth on the 2-dimensional surface. Linear and aerial perspective are used. Space is also important in the study of 3 dimensional forms.