Shape & Form

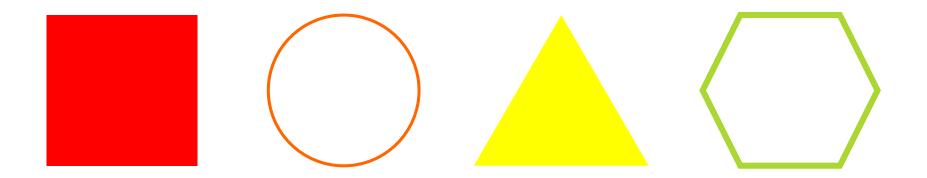
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SHAPE

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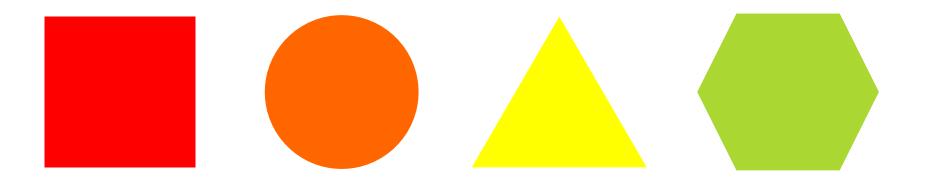
A **shape** is a two-dimensional enclosed space with boundaries defined by other elements of art (like line, value, color, etc.). They have a height and a width.



There are two basic types of shapes: Geometric Shapes and Freeform/Organic Shapes

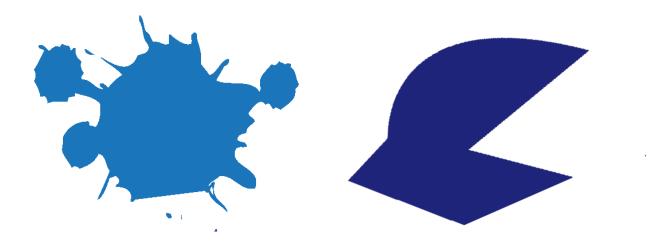
GEOMETRIC SHAPES

Geometric shapes are regular shapes that can be created with mathematical formulas. These are the shapes that have names that we know like squares, circles, triangles, hexagons, etc.



FREEFORM SHAPES

Freeform/organic shapes are not defined mathematically. They have irregular contours.



IMPLIED SHAPES

Implied shapes are shapes that are not formally defined but instead suggested.

They can be geometric or freeform.

In this example you can clearly see a triangle being suggested in the middle of these three circles using negative space.



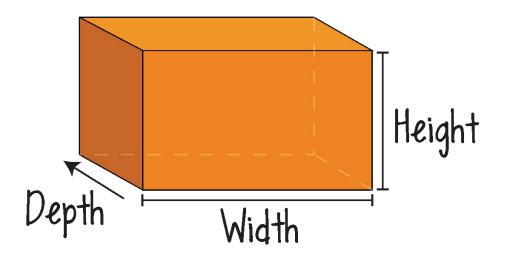


FORM

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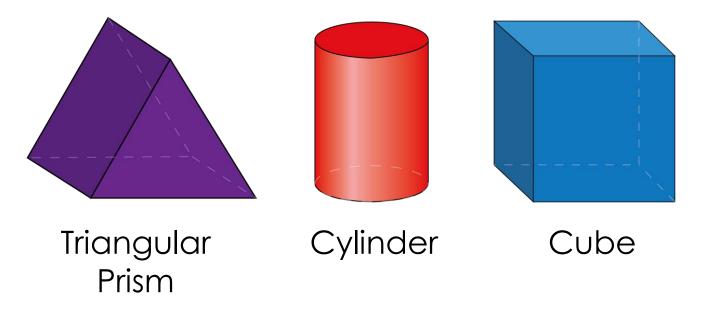
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We can define forms as either: Geometric vs. Organic

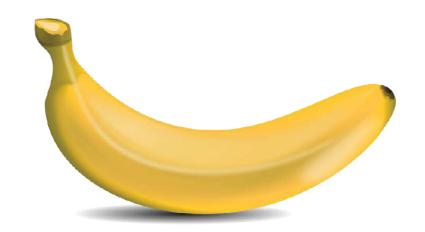
GEOMETRIC FORMS

Geometric forms are regular three-dimensional shapes that can be defined mathematically. They have regular contours.



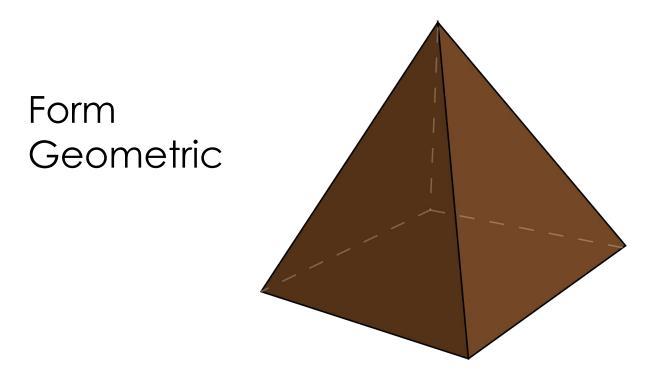
ORGANIC FORMS

Organic forms are three-dimensional objects without regular contours.



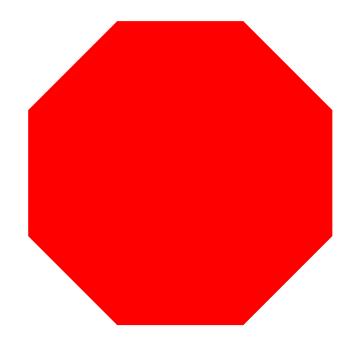
This banana has an organic form.

Is this a **shape** or **form**? If it's a shape is it **geometric** or **freeform**? If it's a form is **geometric** or **organic**?



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Shape Geometric



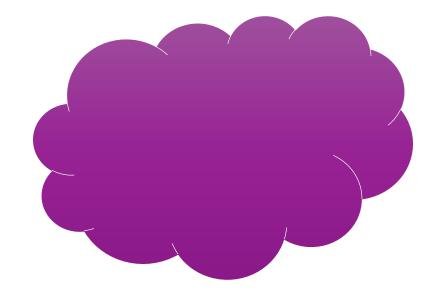
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Form Organic



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Shape Freeform



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Form Organic

