

Perspective Vocabulary

1. **Perspective:** the art of seeing an object as to **shows depth or distance**
2. **Background:** the **distant part** of a landscape: the surroundings **behind something**
3. **Foreground:** the part of the **scene nearest to the viewer**
4. **Midground** **half-way between** foreground and background
5. **Overlapping:** **in front of one another;** implying distance
6. **Horizon Line:** a straight level **line where earth/water and sky seem to meet**
7. **Orthogonal Line:** The term used to describe **parallel lines which appear to converge** in the system of linear perspective
8. **Linear Perspective:** the observation that the appearance of **size diminishes with distance** i.e railroad track
9. **Atmospheric Perspective:** expresses **deep space, far distance, and tends to obscure vision** i.e mountains in a distance appear foggy/obscured

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10. **Proportions:** **the comparison or size between things;** the relationship to the whole i.e a hand holding an apple; how big is the apple compared to the hand?
11. **Horizontal Lines:** Straight **lines parallel to the horizon.**
12. **Vertical Lines:** Lines that are **straight up and down** that are drawn at right angles to the horizon
13. **Diagonal Line:** **A straight line from a corner to the opposite (diagonal) corner** of a cube, rectangle, parallelogram, etc.