

THE SEVEN ELEMENTS OF DESIGN

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THESE ARE THE PARTS OF A PAINTING

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- * **SHAPE** - Anything with height and width - They can be . . .
 - * Curved
 - * Angular
 - * Rectangular

- * **SIZE** - The relationship of objects to each other -
think 3 bears - Momma, Poppa, Baby
 - * Small
 - * Medium
 - * Large

- * **LINE** - There are two main types
 - * Curved
 - * Angular

- * **DIRECTION** - The overall dominant direction of an art piece can be
 - * Horizontal
 - * Vertical
 - * Oblique

- * **TEXTURE** - There are three basic textures
 - * Soft
 - * Hard
 - * Rough

- * **COLOR** - Warm or cool, one should dominate

- * **VALUE** - The lightness or darkness of a color
 - * Light
 - * Medium
 - * Dark