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## Still Life drawing workshop



Let's draw objects to create a still life drawing!



## 'Still Life drawing'

You may create your drawing using the workshop sketch or select some of your favourite objects to set up your own unique composition. A still life composition is the way objects are placed together to form an interesting arrangement.

The photo below shows objects selected and placed to form a composition. If possible place your composition near a window with good lighting to create strong shadows.

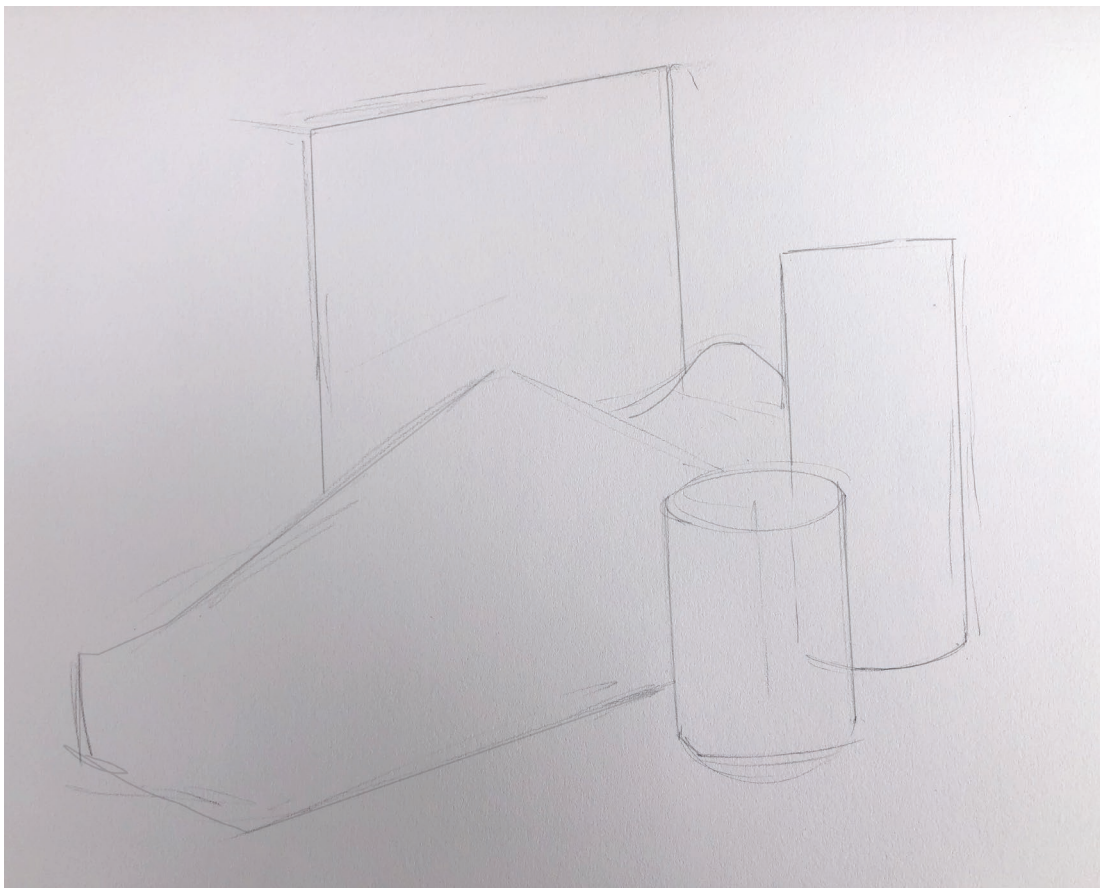


## What you need!

- A4 piece of paper
- HB lead pencil
- Objects within your home
- eraser

# 1 Basic Shapes

- First, start by sketching the basic shapes of each object.
- At this stage, don't get too caught up in detail. Be mindful and look at the angles of each line and the size of one object against the other.



# 2

## Outlining corners and edges

- After we have drawn the basic shapes, you can start to add further detail to the objects.
- Focus on the angles of the lines, look at how they connect.



# 3

## Detail

- Now that you have shapes and lines drawn, you can begin to sketch more detail.
- Focus on the angles of each line and shape, even in the small detail.



# 4 Shading

- Once you have added the outlines, you can start to shade using the side of your pencil.
- Press down harder to create darker tone and softer for lighter tone.



# 6

## Shadows and light

- Here's a tip! Squint your eyes to see the dark and light tones on the objects.
- The light on your objects will create shadows. Think about the angle of our light source when you start to shade.



# 7 Finishing

- To finish shade the shadows the light casts on the table surface.
- Go back over the outlines of your objects so they don't get lost in your shading and your work is done.
- Great job well done! Now you can get out there and create amazing still life drawings.



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