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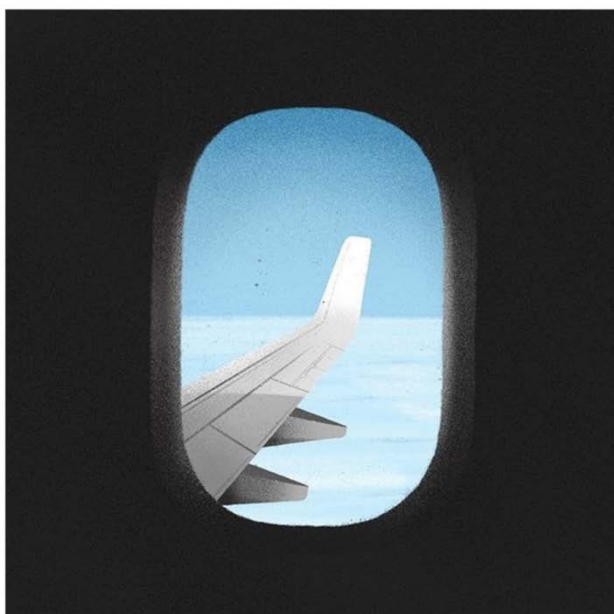🌐 www.ncpontefract.ac.uk
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A Level Graphic Design Summer Independent Learning Activity

Welcome to the A Level Graphic Design course, please complete the following 5 tasks to start to practice some of the key skills you will need and to prepare for your first day at New College.

The link below will take you to a more detailed version of the following tasks and instructions - (please note if clicking the link below on the PDF version does not work, simply copy and paste the link into your browser and that will ☺)

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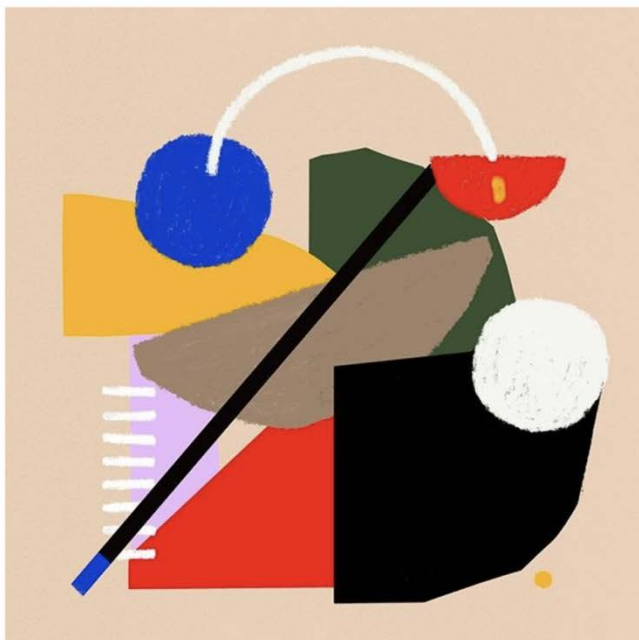READ ALL OF THE TASKS AND VIEW ALL OF THE SLIDES BEFORE YOU START

TASK 1

If you haven't already got an account on Pinterest please make one and start a board (at least 30 pins) with inspiration for handmade and/or digital Typography.

You should also look on the boards created for your course for some extra inspiration (look for terms like type, typography, lettering etc).
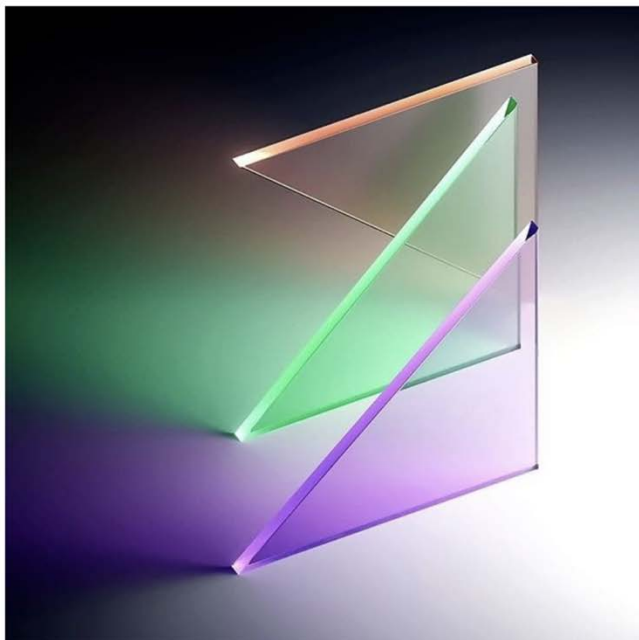
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TASK 2

You will submit your work in an online Google Slides presentation that will be shared with graphic design staff.

If you haven't already got an account on Gmail please make one and then click on the link below.

Follow the step by step instructions to create a Slides presentation to which you will upload photos or screenshots of the work you create for Tasks 3, 4 and 5.

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TASK 3

Inspired by https://www.instagram.com/36daysoftype/ produce a mind map of themes and ideas for your own illustrated type.

You will be producing 10 designs to form the numbers 0 to 9. The designs can follow a specific theme or visual style that represents you in some way.

Write out a range of ideas for the theme, style, colours, imagery, textures, shapes and anything else you might use in your designs.

Roughly sketch out some quick design ideas on your mind map to show your thinking.

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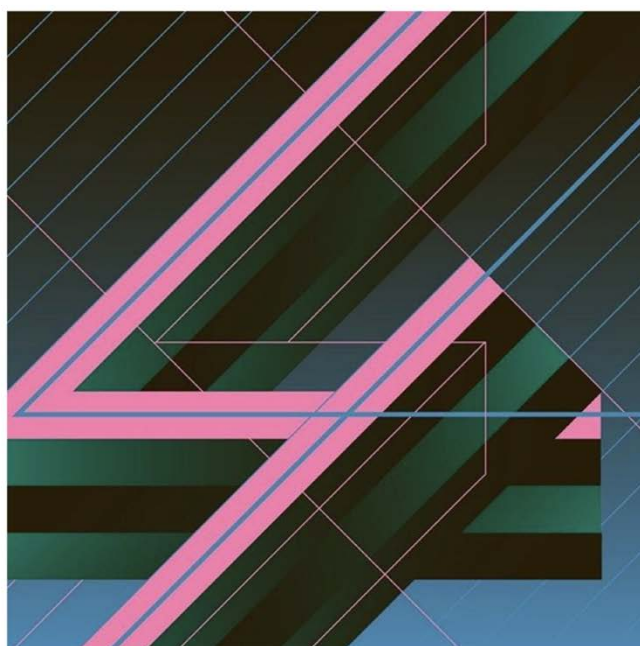registered in England and Wales (company number: 09257194)

TASK 3 continued

The idea is to accompany your letters with illustrations/patterns, or design them in the shape or style of something, that shows some personal significance.

Potential ideas could include; favourite foods, favourite animals, objects linking to your hobbies and interests, things to represent your favourite films/books/TV shows, using your favourite colours, or using a style that represents you as a person (e.g. bold and bubbly or dark and grungy).

Photograph or make a screenshot of your mind map and upload it to your Slides presentation (your Slides presentation explains how to do this).
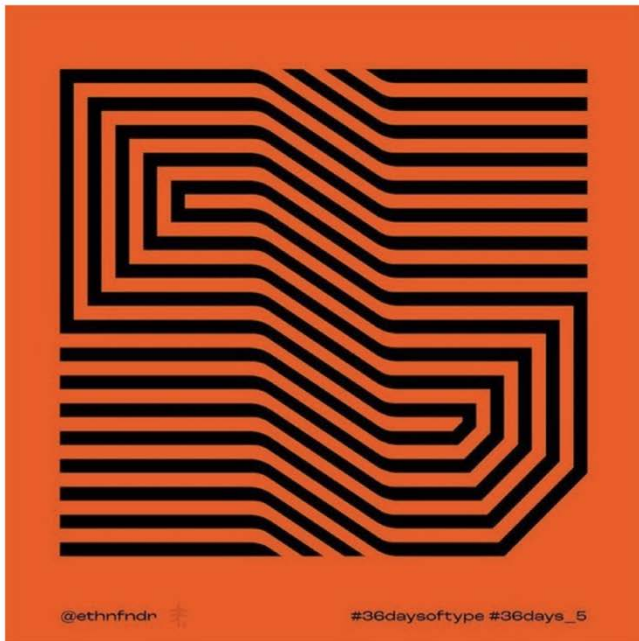

TASK 4

Create your designs!

These can be hand made or digital, you are demonstrating your creativity and skill so should spend around at least 30 minutes on each number to get a high quality outcome. Spread the tasks out over the weeks up to when you start in September.

Try to stick to a consistent style or colours where possible to make your designs fit together as a whole. Even better, use a font as a base template and add your own designs over the top!

Photograph or make a screenshot of each number and upload it to your Slides presentation (your Slides presentation explains how to do this).
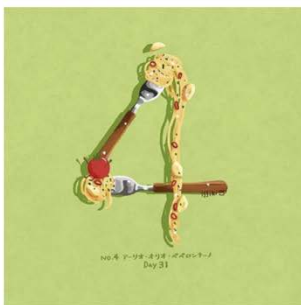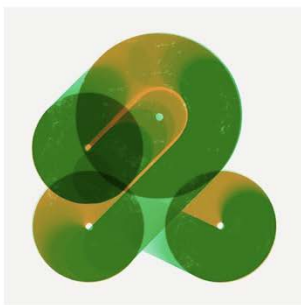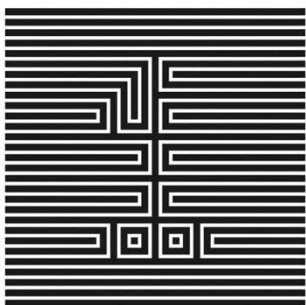
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TASK 5 - OPTIONAL

Now that you've created 10 numbers why not explore letters and punctuation?

You could decide to design the entire alphabet or be selective and choose letters that spell your name or something you are interested in, for example, graphic design.

You might use just upper case letters, or lower case or mix both.

Follow the same process as before and upload your designs to your presentation. Show any new inspiration or sketched ideas.

SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR CREATING DESIGNS

DIGITALLY

Get a free trial of Adobe Illustrator or Photoshop and use Adobe Help for how to tutorials.

Try a free alternative such as Gravit Designer, Gimp, Pixlr, Inkscape, Vecteezy etc. - Watch YouTube tutorials for different tips and techniques for particular software.

Use a website such as 'Coolors' to find colour palettes.

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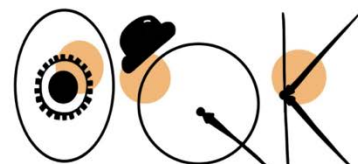## SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR CREATING DESIGNS

BY HAND

Sketch in pencil first then go over in fine liner (different thicknesses of fine liner is best!)

Use coloured pencils, felt tips, colour fineliners or watercolour paint to add colour.

Choose good quality sketch paper or try and make different backgrounds to draw onto e.g. newspaper, magazine pages, collaged and layered papers, coloured papers, painted abstract or patterned backgrounds.

Watch YouTube tutorials for different tips and techniques for particular tools/materials.

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Try your very hardest.

Enjoy the summer, and see you in September.

Lesley, Alex and Steve.

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