

PRINCIPLES OF DESIGN

BALANCE

The visual distribution of weight through COLOUR, TEXTURE, and SPACE, **BALANCE** helps make an image feel stable.

BALANCE can be influenced by:

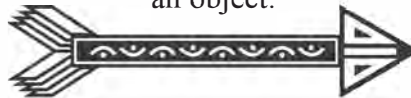
COLOUR & VALUE



Bright COLOUR and dark VALUE can add weight to an object.

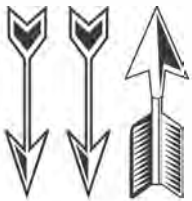
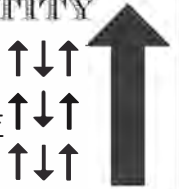
TEXTURE: adding

TEXTURE can add weight to an object.



SIZE & QUANTITY

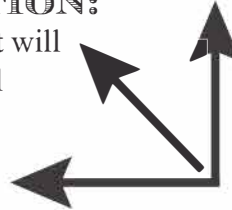
Larger objects feel heavier. Multiple objects can BALANCE larger objects.



SHAPE: a more complex SHAPE will appear heavier.

ORIENTATION:

a diagonal object will have more visual weight than a horizontal or vertical object.



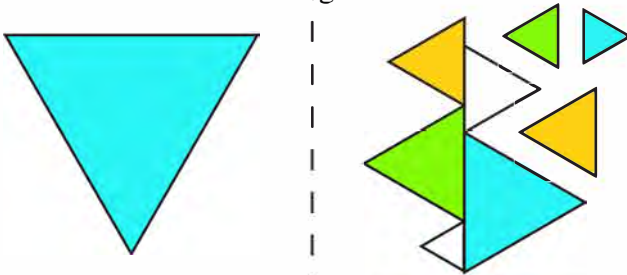
POSITION &

ISOLATION: an isolated object will appear heavier. The further out from the center, the heavier an object will feel.



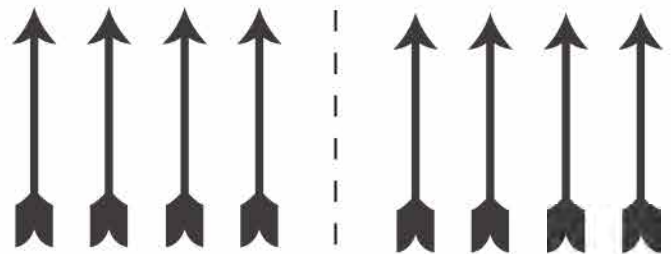
ASYMMETRICAL BALANCE

Also known as **INFORMAL BALANCE** Created by having different objects on either side of a vertical axis. BALANCE through CONTRAST.

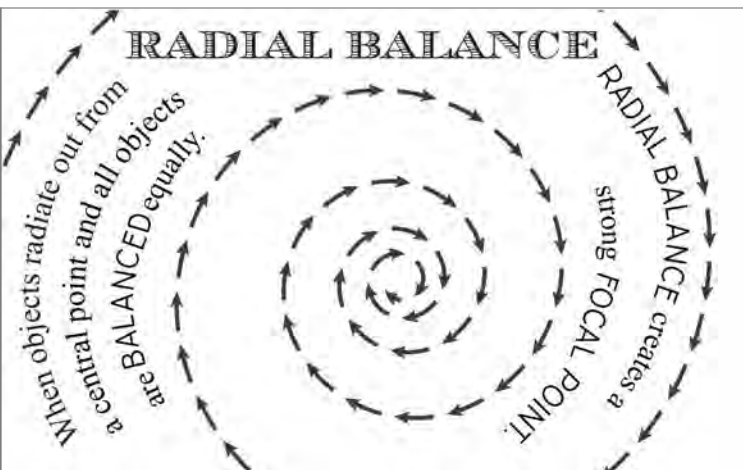


SYMMETRICAL BALANCE

Also known as **FORMAL BALANCE** Created by having a mirror image on the opposite side of a vertical axis. BALANCE through REPETITION.

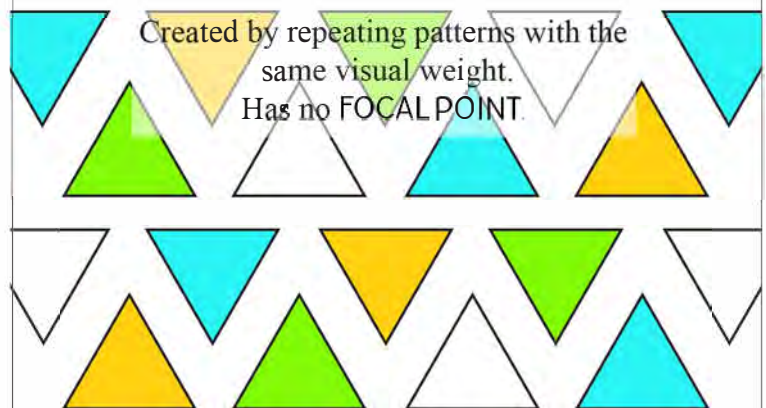


RADIAL BALANCE



CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC BALANCE

Created by repeating patterns with the same visual weight. Has no FOCAL POINT.



Create a design that reflects
ASYMMETRICAL BALANCE.

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Create a work of art that is well **BALANCED** using at least three of the **BALANCE** influencers covered on the front of the worksheet.

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