

Magnified Drawing: 3 Steps

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Pencil or Charcoal Notebook Drawings Summer Drawing Assignment

Select a relatively small object that you will enjoy working with. You may draw only a part of the object, or the entire object. Perhaps you will want to cut a window in paper to isolate the section you wish to draw in detail. **Concentrate on light & dark, (value) and linear detail.**

Draw the object or a portion of the object first in a 3x3" box. For the second drawing, work with a portion of the object, magnified in a 4x4" box. Finally, zoom in on the object, drawing a section, magnified, with as much detail as possible, size 5x5".

Hints: Line follows form. If you are drawing a curved surface, use curved lines to build up the structure of the object. Flat surfaces should be drawn with straight lines.

Even though the "lines" building up the contrast may eventually disappear, use curved lines for curved surfaces, straight lines for flat surfaces.

As objects are magnified, the overall value of the drawing becomes lighter, but there is still contrast between light and dark.

Vocabulary: Rendering: A detailed drawing that includes shading (value) to define shapes and indicate forms (3-D).

Example: Popcorn Drawing

Drawing popcorn this closely is interesting. It's a challenge to capture not only the complex rounded shapes of the kernel, but the softly graded shadow tones as well.

Popcorn Details
3B pencil

