

Form

AccessArt Glossary: Form



Form is the shape of something that you can see from all sides: the height, width and depth. Objects that are 3D have form, but 2D artwork can also give the illusion of form.

The term 'form' can be split into the categories 'real form' and 'implied form'.

Real form is found in space, such as 3D [sculpture](#) or [architecture](#), while 'implied form' comes from a 2D artwork that gives the illusion of depth.

Have fun exploring AccessArt resources focused around form.

understanding Form

Explore this resource to help with your understanding of what form is and how it can be used in both 2D and 3D artwork.

Talking Points: What is Form?



What is the difference between Form and Shape?

Shape is a flat enclosed area limited to two dimensions: length and width.

Like a shape, a form has length and width, but it also has depth.

It's possible to add form to 2D drawings by playing with perspective, tone and shape to give the illusion of depth.

Explore Artists

Explore the different ways artists use form in

their artwork.

henry moore's shelter drawings



Talking Points: Christo and Jeanne-Claude



Marela Zacarías



DIP YOUR TOES INTO REAL FORM THROUGH

MAKING

Build your understanding of how you can experiment with form in 3D projects.

using Paper and Tape to Interpret Form



Sensing Form



Adapting AccessArt: From 2D to 3D



Playful Making Inspired by Nnena Kalu



Dip your toes into implied Form through drawing

Build your understanding of how you can create the illusion of form through 2D drawings.

Pathway: Exploring Form Through Drawing



see three shapes



Flat yet sculptural



Letting Form and Colour Coexist



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