

Adobe Illustrator CS

Day 1

Getting to Know the Work Area

Getting started
Viewing artwork
Changing the view of artwork
Using Adobe online services

Selection Basics

Using the Selection tool
The Direct Selection tool
Exploring on your own

Creating basic Shapes

Setting up the document
Using basic shape tools
Drawing the pencil shape
Drawing the piece of stationary
Drawing w/ the Rectangular Grid tool
Decorating the stationary border
Tips for drawing polygons, spiral & stars
Painting the logo
Coping and scaling shapes

Drawing with the Pen Tool

Creating straight lines
Creating curved paths
Building a curve
Curves and corner anchor points
Creating the pear illustration
Editing curves
Finishing the pear illustration

Painting

Filling with color
Stroking with color
Building custom swatches
Copying paint attributes
Saturating a color
Painting with patterns and gradients
Painting with pattern brush

Applying Transparency & Blending

Changing the opacity of an object
Changing the blending modes

Isolating the blending
Using the opacity mask
Editing an opacity mask

Working with Layers

Creating layers
Locking layers
Viewing layers
Pasting layers
Creating clipping masks
Merging layers
Applying appearance attributes to layers

Transforming Objects

Scaling objects
Rotating objects
Distorting objects
Shearing objects
Positioning objects precisely
Reflecting objects
Changing the perspective
Using the free Transform tool
Making multiple Transformations

Working w/ Placement of Objects

Creating custom guides
Creating vector logo
Applying the warp & pathfinder features
Arrangement and object order
Putting the logo together

Appearance Attributes, Styles & Effects

Using appearance attributes
Copying, applying, and removing styles
Saving and printing files w/ transparency
Exporting and importing settings

