Digital Passport Session



Skills Centre





Digital Passport Workshop Schedule

TIME	ACTIVITY
9:00-9:15	Introductions
9:15-11:15	
11:15-11:30	
11:30-1:00	
1:00-1:30	
1:30-2:15	
2.15-3:15	



Today's topic:



Session Overview



Today's topic

- Learn about Canva as a tool
- Information about graphic design
- Understand accessibility features for design
- Canva demonstration





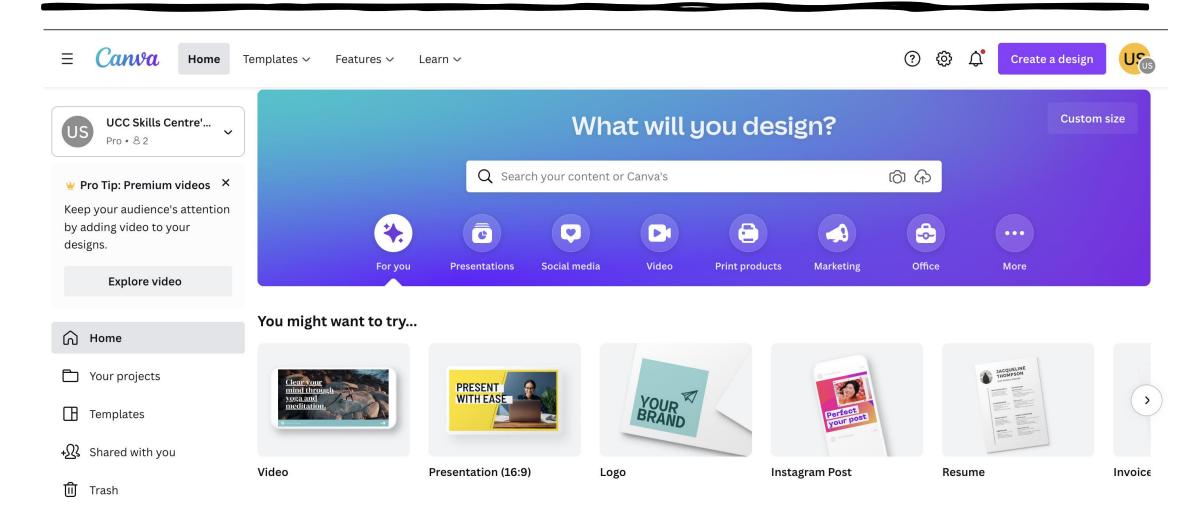
What is Canva?

- Free online design tool (with paid extras)
- Easy to access
- Handy tool to create graphics, posts, posters and others
- Designs can be shared, downloaded and printer





Creating a Project on Canva





Basic of Graphic Design











Balance

Alignment

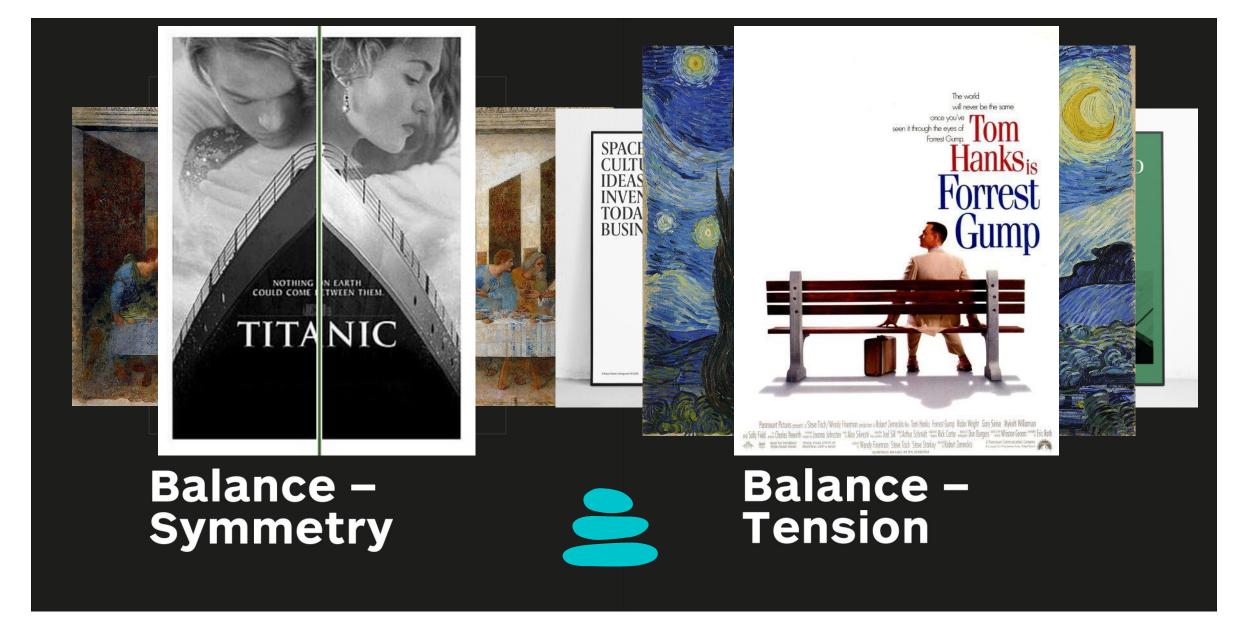
Hierarchy

Repetition

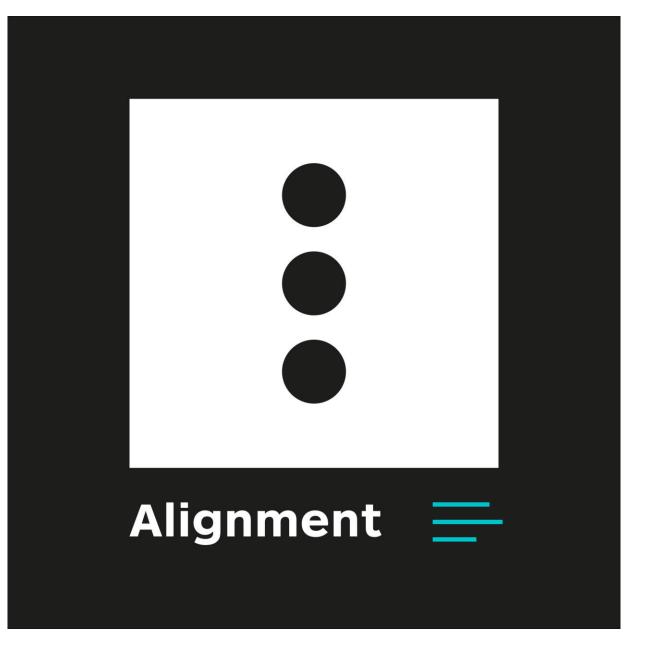
Contrast

Source: https://learn.g2.com/principles-of-design, https://learn.g2.com/principles-of-design, https://www.shillingtoneducation.com/blog/graphic-design-basic-principles/



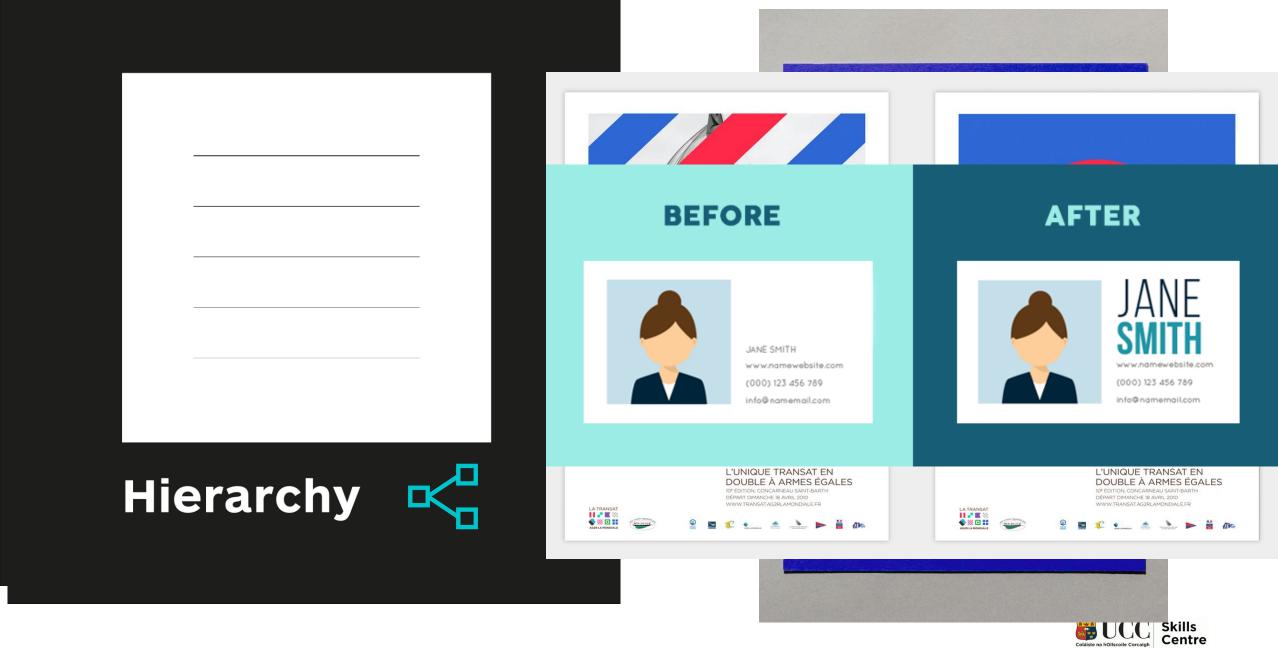


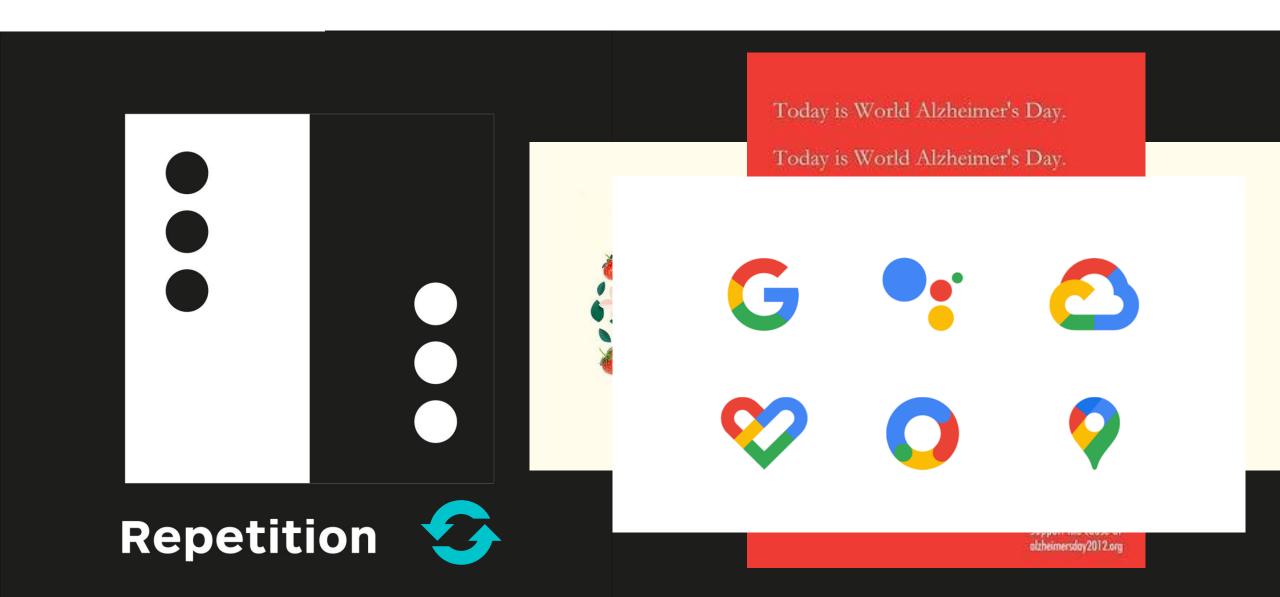




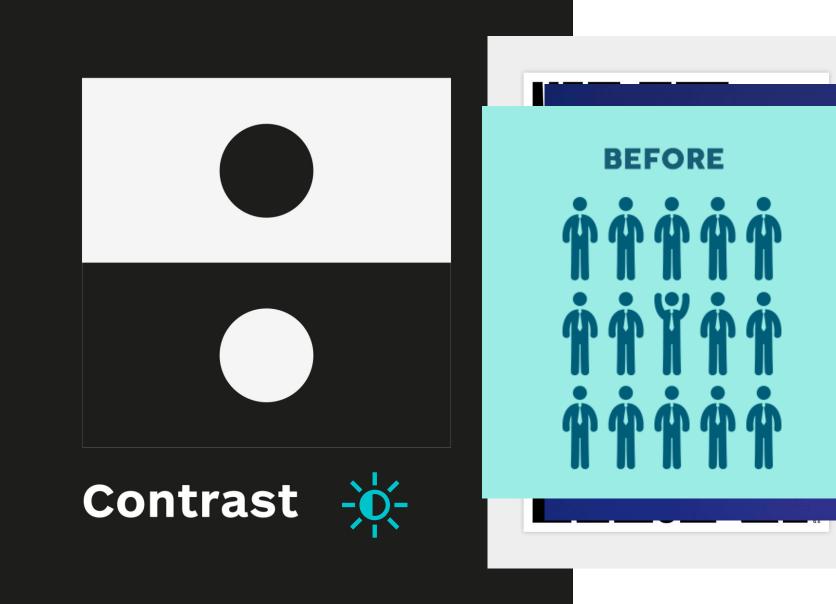




























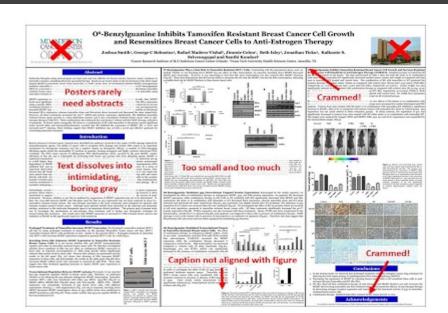
Balance Alignment Hierarchy Repetition Contrast

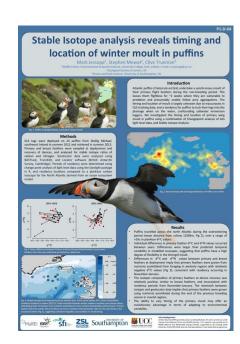
Using some of the terms we just covered, take a look at the following posters:

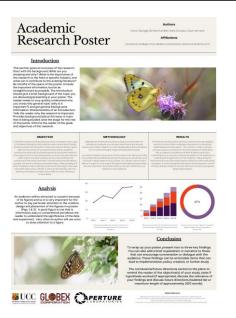
- What do you like?
- What do you dislike?
- Do they need improvement? If so, how could they be improved?













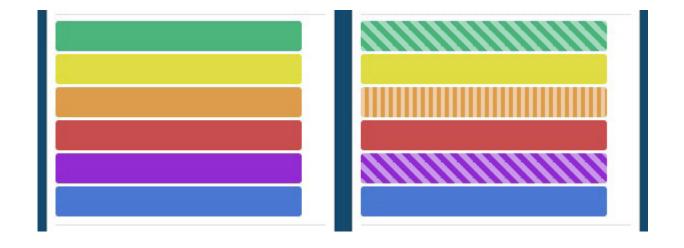


Color and contrast

- Color alone cannot be used to convey meaning
- Sufficient color contrast: https://webaim.org/resources/contrastchecker/

Layout and fonts

- Be careful of overlapping images or text over images
- Have clear structure and hierarchy
- Readable font rather than decorative



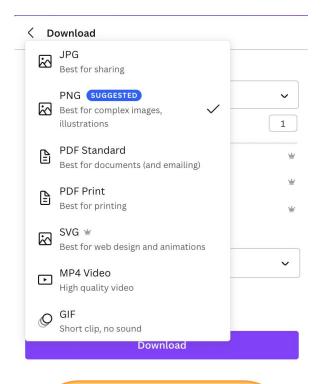




If you download your creation as an image file (png or jpg), the text will not be accessible (not recognized by screen readers)

Solutions:

- "Alt" text, if possible
- Plain-text alternative, such as descriptive caption
- Can also download as PDF or PowerPoint







Canva Free images

- The Noun Project (for icons): https://thenounproject.com/
- #WOCinTech on Flickr: https://www.flickr.com/photos/wocintechchat/
- AllGo Size Inclusive Photos: https://canweallgo.com/plus-size-stock-photos-home/
- Gender Spectrum Collection: https://genderphotos.vice.com/
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Demonstration

Practice Time!





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