

Getting Started with CoreIDRAW Graphics Suite X3

Practice sheet # 2 - Using the Drawing Tools

Part 1: Before You Begin

There are a few principles that you should be familiar with before watching the video.

Flyouts



Flyouts open to display a set of related CoreIDRAW tools. A small arrow in the bottom, right corner of a toolbox button (see the Freehand Tool above) indicates a flyout. Clicking a flyout arrow opens a set of related tools: for example, clicking the flyout arrow on the Freehand tool opens the Curve flyout (below).



The tool you select from the flyout then becomes the tool displayed in the toolbox. Clicking it will re-open the flyout. For example, selecting the Bezier tool from the Curve flyout changes the tool in the toolbox from the Freehand tool to the Bezier tool (right) with the flyout arrow attached.



Formatting lines and outlines

You can change the appearance of both lines and outlines (the lines around a closed shape) by using the controls on the property bar. For example, you can specify the color, width, and style of lines and outlines.

To change the width of a line or outline of a selected object by using the Outline width drop down list or by typing a value in the Outline width box on the property bar.



Part 2: Video (8 minutes)

The videos are located on CD 4.

1. Insert the Bonus CD, (CD 4)
2. From the Main Navigation Window, select **Getting Started with CoreIDRAW Graphics Suite X3**.
3. Click on **Drawing, filling and adding effects** in the left Navigation Pane.
4. Watch the “*Using the drawing tools*” video on the right hand side.
5. Use the Worksheet as you follow along the videos to create your own notes!

Part 3: More about 3 Point Tools



Besides the **3 point curve** tool, introduced in the video, there are other 3 point tools that work the same way (click & drag, then click again to position.) The **3 point ellipse** tool (in the ellipse flyout) lets you quickly create an ellipse at an angle, eliminating the need to rotate the ellipse. The **3 point rectangle** (in the rectangle flyout) tool lets you quickly draw rectangles at an angle

Part 4: Exercise

You Are Here!

For this exercise you are going to be creating a map for directions. It could be from where you are right now to your home, or from anywhere to anywhere you like. (Maybe for a Party you are holding?)

1. Start a new drawing in **CorelDRAW**
2. Using your web browser, go to a mapping site, such as www.multimap.com or www.mapquest.com.
3. Use the mapping tools in the website to find your starting location. **Copy** the resulting map (right click on the map and select Copy) and **paste** it into CorelDRAW.
4. **Repeat step 3** for the ending location, as well as for any intervening maps.
5. In **CorelDRAW**, use the **Pick** tool to move the maps until they overlap to create a path from start to finish.
6. Create a *green rectangle* to indicate the starting building.
7. Create a *red rectangle* to indicate the destination.
8. Complete the directions, tracing the roads that need to be followed. Use shapes to indicate bodies of water (fill with *blue*!), parks (fill with *green*) and buildings or landmarks.
9. If your map lacks certain elements, feel free to get creative.
10. Don't worry about the text. You can fill it in later (after **Module 5**).
10. Save your work as *Map Step 1*.

