

# Adobe Illustrator

## 1. Introduction to Adobe Illustrator

What is Illustrator & how is it different from Photoshop?

Illustrator UI: artboards, tools, panels

Creating, opening & saving documents

Understanding vector graphics

## 2. Drawing Tools & Shapes

Selection Tools (Selection, Direct Selection)

Basic Shapes: Rectangle, Ellipse, Polygon, Star

Line, Pen, and Pencil Tools

Curves with the Pen Tool (Bezier curves)

Shape Builder Tool

## 3. Working with Color

Fill and Stroke basics

Color Picker & Swatches

Gradient Tool (linear & radial)

Eyedropper Tool

Creating and saving custom color palettes

## 4. Working with Text

Adding point text and area text

Changing fonts, size, spacing (tracking, leading)

Type on a Path

Converting text to outlines

Typography tools and text effects

## 5. Transforming & Arranging Objects

Move, scale, rotate, reflect, shear

Align and distribute objects



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Grouping & ungrouping  
Layers and stacking order  
Pathfinder Tool for combining shapes

## 6. Brushes, Symbols & Effects

Using and customizing brushes  
Applying basic effects (shadows, glows, distort)  
Using symbols and the Symbol Sprayer Tool  
Appearance panel overview

## 7. Working with Images

Placing raster images  
Image Trace (convert images to vector)  
Clipping Masks  
Embedding vs Linking images

## 8. Exporting & Saving

Exporting for print (PDF, EPS)  
Exporting for web (PNG, JPG, SVG)  
Saving in AI format  
Artboards and file optimization

## 9. Practice Projects

Create a logo  
Design a business card  
Create a custom icon set