Drawing shapes – Owl logo

This introduces some new skills using lines.

Setup Illustrator:

- 1. File > New to create a new Artboard. 100mm by 100mm is a useful size.
- 2. Click View > View Grid (at bottom) to show a handy grid across the Artboard

Drawing an Owl Face:

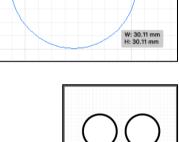
- Draw a circle use the Ellipse tool and hold SHIFT. Aim 3. to make your circle about 30mm by 30mm
 - use a white fill colour and black stroke
 - change the stroke width to 5pt
- Click on the Selection tool on the left toolbar (the 4. arrow at the top) and click on your circle to select it
- 5. Copy the circle: **Edit** > **Copy** (keyboard shortcut: **Ctrl+C**)
- And paste it: Edit > Paste (keyboard shortcut: Ctrl+V) 6.
- 7. Now move the circle so that it's next to the other one. Use the grid to line things up as well as you can.

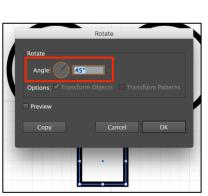
Adding eyeballs:

- 8. Use the **Ellipse tool** to draw a smaller circle (about 6mm by 6mm) inside one of the larger ones to act as the eyeball
- 9. **Copy** this circle and use it for the other eye

Adding a beak:

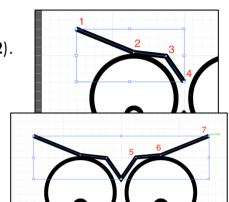
- 10. Chose the **Rectangle Tool** from the **left toolbar** (click and hold the Ellipse)
- 11. Draw a **square** to act as the beak. Aim for about 15mm by 15mm. Hold **SHIFT** down to get a perfect square.
- 12. To rotate the square, select it and click Object > **Transform > Rotate >** change the angle to **45**
- 13. **Move** the square into position between the eyes. You can use the arrow keys on the keyboard to nudge shapes around.





Add eyebrows

- 14. Choose the **pen tool** on the **left toolbar**
- 15. Set the **Stroke** to **5pt**. Make sure the stroke colour is **black**
- 16. Click **once** above and to the left of your eyes (**point 1**)
- Now click again at the top edge of the left eye (point 2).
 This starts to draw a line
- Continue clicking to point 4 and then all the way across to point 7
 - You can undo any mistakes you make Edit > Undo
- 19. The selection tool will let you move the eyebrow



Convert selected anchor points to smooth

Styling the eyebrows

- 20. Click the **Direct Selection Tool** on the **left toolbar** this is the second (white) arrow
- 21. Click on the line and then on the top left anchor point (point 1)
- 22. At the **top**, click the **Convert Smooth** button
- 23. **Repeat** this for the all of other anchor points **EXCEPT THE MIDDLE ONE**
- 24. Now choose the Selection Tool (the first arrow) and click on the line
- 25. Change the top menu settings to those shown on the screenshot to add some style to the brows



Adjust the nose

26. Use the **Direct Selection Tool** to pull the top of the nose upwards a little to give it a better shape

This works a bit like the convert anchor point tool that you'll have used before

