

Zara's Guide to Perspective: The Art of Distance

Master the Magic of Depth: Transform your flat paper into a world that reaches far away!

- **The horizon line is the imaginary horizontal line that represents the viewer's eye level, where the sky meets the land or sea.**
- **A vanishing point is a single spot on the horizon line where all parallel lines appear to converge and disappear into the distance.**
- **Objects in the foreground appear larger, more detailed, and brighter in colour compared to objects in the background.**
- **The principle of diminution explains that as objects move further away from the viewer, they must be drawn smaller to maintain realistic scale.**
- **By using overlapping shapes, artists can suggest that one object is physically in front of another, creating a sense of layered depth.**

Did you know? Did you know? In the Renaissance period, artists like Filippo Brunelleschi rediscovered the mathematical rules of linear perspective, which allowed them to paint buildings and cityscapes that looked so realistic, it felt like you could step right inside the painting!

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