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Secrets of Terrific Type

Lesson 01-06: Font Classes Homework

The homework for our lesson on font classes is going to be short and sweet.

For this simple project, all you need to do is spend a few minutes going through your current font stash and taking stock of the fonts you have.

What are you looking for?

It's a good idea to see what you have for fonts in these 6 classifications: Serif, Slab Serif, Sans Serif, Script, Handwritten, and Decorative. Every computer comes with some monospace fonts but because monospace and blackletter aren't very often needed, you can worry less about those for now.

Feel free to be as detailed or as loose about this as you wish. If you want to make a list of all the fonts you have in each of the 6 categories, feel free. If that sounds boring to you, that's ok, too. But it is a good idea to at least look through your list of fonts and see if you need to add more variety in one of the categories. This way, when we start font hunting in Lesson 3, you already know which fonts you need and which category of fonts you have plenty of. (Unless you're like me and can never have too many fonts! Haha)

For those that want to make a list, I've included a worksheet you can download and print to aid you in that task. You can find that in the class downloads. I think the font classification worksheet will be best used instead of listing all of your fonts, just list your favorites for each category.

But regardless of how you do it, once you've finished taking stock of your current stash, you're ready for lesson 3!