

# TEST YOUR Skills

## Design Beautiful Pages— Effective Framing

### Test Your Skills Challenge 1

by Jen White

A while back I was paddling around the brim of the lake when I came across a random hibiscus. It was so tall and proud, it appeared to be begging to have its picture taken.

Not only did I snap this little guy's photo, I've put him front and center of my scrapbook page. But in my haste to get this page scrapped, I've made a several errors.

**Challenge:** Using the No-No Cheatsheet available for this class, see if you can find 4 violators on this scrapbook page.

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)



### Violation 1: Type—Vertically Oriented Type

**Explanation:** Type (journaling and titles) should not be vertically displayed. It makes it hard to read and is bad practice in scrapbooking. Instead, type your title horizontally, then rotate it with the Transform options.



violator



fixed

### Violation 2: Photos—Photos That Would Look Better Cropped

**Explanation:** If your subject is good enough to make it onto your scrapbook page, zoom in so everyone can more easily see its details.



violator



fixed

### Violation 3: Elements—3D Elements Under A Stroke Outline

**Explanation:** Stroke outlines are 2D objects. In real life a 2D object cannot logically travel over a 3D object.



violator



fixed

### Violation 4: Elements—Shadowed Element Below Graphic Elements

**Explanation:** The diamond brad is a 3D object. The mask is a 2D object. In real life a 2D object cannot logically travel over a 3D object.



violator



fixed

Here's my finished page.

### Credits

Page: Hibiscus by Jen White

Photo: Jen White

Frame Type: Outer Frame - Stroke Outline

Kit: Musings by Etc By Danyale

Font: Aristelle Sans



## Principle—The Rule of Odds

**Question:** The rule of odds is simply an odd number of similar things. How many things from this page can you list that would fall under that description?

### Credits

Page: Patrick's Camp Shirt by Jen White  
Photos: Jen White  
Frame Type: Dependent Frame - Set Apart  
Kit: Effortless by Angie Briggs  
Fonts: Oh wonder, DJB BEAN POLE



## Possible Answers

**Titles:** The title on this page, Patrick's Camp Shirt, is made up of three parts. They are totally different in form, but their purpose is the same.

**Photos:** Separate from the main framed photo, there are three smaller photos that are unframed.

**Elements:** There is one ribbon, one button, and one weedy overlay. You could even say there are three elements being used.



## Principle—Balance

**Question:** Where is the principle of balance best displayed on this page?

### Credits

Page: Explore by Jen White

Photo: Jen White

Frame Type: Independent Frame—Morph

Kits: Real Life by Calista's Stuff, Simplify by Angie Briggs

Fonts: Oh wonder, DJB BEAN POLE



### Possible Answer

Balance is displayed on this page because the width of the type box is the same as the width of the stroke outline.



## Principle—Proximity

**Question:** If I were to remove the journaling from this layout, would I need to replace it with something? Why or why not?

### Credits

Page: Reflection by Jen White

Photo: Jen White

Frame Type: Outer Frame—Edge Elements

Kit: Musings by Etc By Danyale, Shine by Sheila Reid (mask)

Font: DJB ANNALISE 2011



### Possible Answer

By removing the journaling from this layout, a cranny is instantly created. A cranny is one of those three sided little caves that, if not attended to, will be trapped space on your layout. Something would need to replace the journaling.

