



## Perfectly Personal Word Art

### Hexagon Template 03 – Homework Part 1A Transcript

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It's time for the homework to begin. The homework is so important because it's where you start to put the skills you're learning to the test. As with all of the previous sections of this class, we're going to start the hexagon homework by giving you visual prompts as well as hints to help you complete the next two hexagon templates. As always, if you get stuck or need more guidance than the hints provided, don't be discouraged. I've included step by step instructions in the manual that's in the downloads for the section of the class.

Okay, so before we start going over the main steps, let's take a look at the hexagon template we're going to create. Here is the hexagon design. Can you see the main parts? As always, there is the main hexagon shape and then with this template there is a rectangle that spans across the middle. Also, the type layer is then centered within that rectangle. Those are the three main parts, so let's take a look at each step and get started creating.

As always, the first step is to create the new document. The new documents specifications are 2.25 inches for both the height and the width at 300 pixels per inch with a transparent background.

The next main step is to create the main hexagon layer. You're going to use the custom shape tool and you'll be using the hexagon shape. You'll enter a fixed size with a height of two inches and a width of 1.73 inches. After you create the shape on the document, make sure to center it both vertically and horizontally.

The next main step is to create the middle accent, which is the light gray rectangle area you see in the visual. To do this, you're going to need to get the rectangular marquee tool. You'll need to set a fixed size of 2.25 inches wide by 0.5 inches high. Once you have your selection on the document, fill the selection with a light gray color. After you fill the selection, you'll want to make sure the rectangle is centered on the document. You must center it before the next step. Next, you'll also need to remove the excess pixels that overhang the edges of the hexagon. We've done this many times now, but if you need help remembering how to do the select, inverse process, please see the manual for the step by step instructions.

The next main step is to add the type layer. Use a basic font like myriad pro, and set the size to 24 points in the alignment to center. Once you've finished typing, type here, in all caps as seen in the visual, make sure you center the type on both the horizontal and the vertical.

Now you can save this template as hexagon template zero three dot PSD in the same folder as your other hexagon templates. Here's a closeup look at the template we just created. Your template should look just like this one. If it doesn't, make sure to check the manual for any steps that you might have missed. Next up, we're going to do another hexagon template, just like we did this one. I look forward to seeing you there. This is Jenifer Juris with perfectly personal word art.