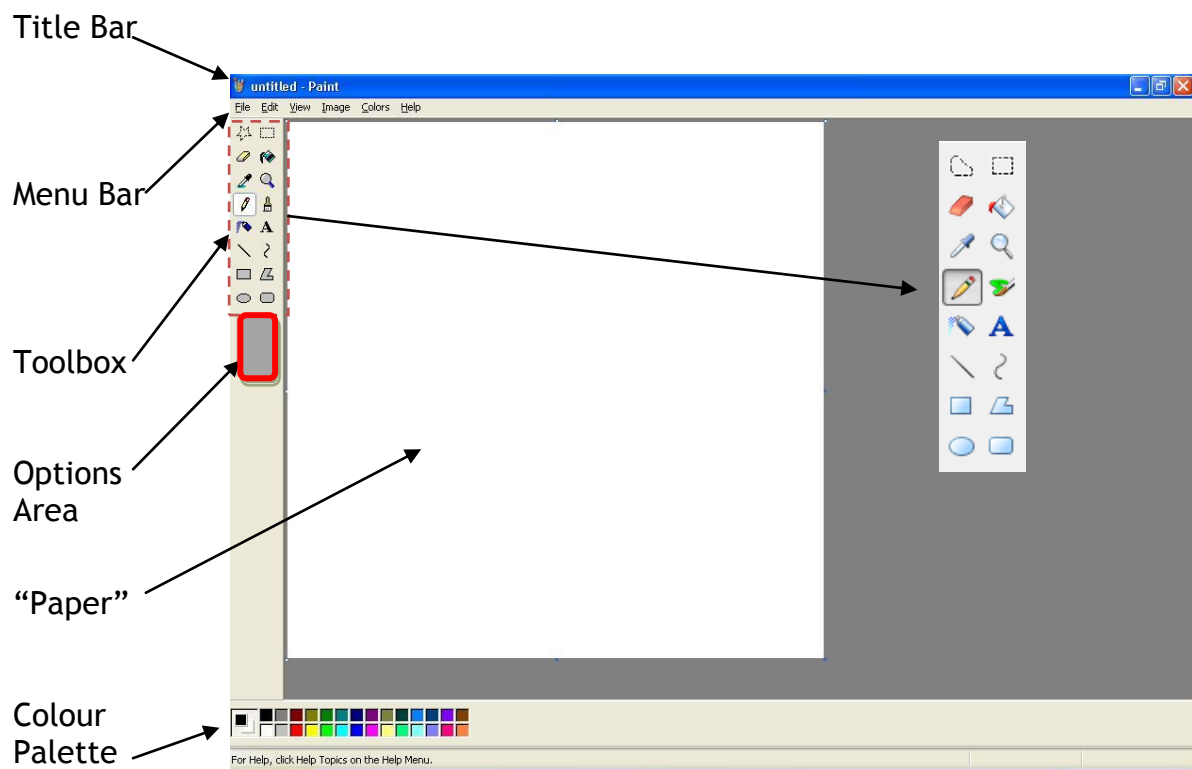


Using Paint program

Start Program

1. Click Start
2. Click All Programs
3. Click Accessories
4. Click Paint

1 The MS Paint Landscape



2 Start Drawing

2.1 Pencil Tool

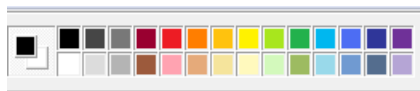


Moving the mouse pointer on the blank paper, notice that it looks like a pencil. This is because the pencil tool has already been selected by default. To draw with the pencil, hold the click down and drag. Let go of click when done.

2.2 Brush or and Spray paint

Experiment with the brush tool and the spray paint tool. To choose these, click on their icons. **Options:** Brush and Spray tools display options. For example, you can select different thickness of brush. Options can be found in the area just below the Tool Box.

3 Changing colour



The pencil ink is black by default. To change colour, click on a colour, say red, on the colour palette. Notice how the chosen colour now appears in the square box on the left of the palette. Draw with your pencil and see how the line is now red.

4 Using the Eraser



Sometimes, when you have made a mistake, or you have changed your mind, you may want to use the eraser to remove some of your drawing.

To use the eraser, click on the Eraser tool in the Tool Box. There are 4 different sizes of eraser (in the Options area). Click on one of them and drag your mouse pointer over the area you want to erase.

5 Shape Tools

5.1 Line



You would have seen how hard it is to draw a straight line by freehand. This program provides you with a tool to draw lines that are straight. Click on the tool. Click on starting point and drag till the end point. When you let go of the mouse, the line will stop.

5.2 Rectangle

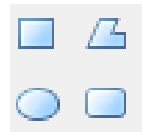


Select this tool by clicking on it. Then drag mouse (diagonally) to your paper - hold click down and move mouse to another part of the screen. Notice how a rectangle is being created.

5.3 Ellipse



Select this tool by clicking on it. Then drag mouse (diagonally) to your paper - hold click down and move mouse to another part of the screen. Notice how a rectangle is being created.



Try out the other shapes and discover what they are used for.


5.4 Proportional Constraints

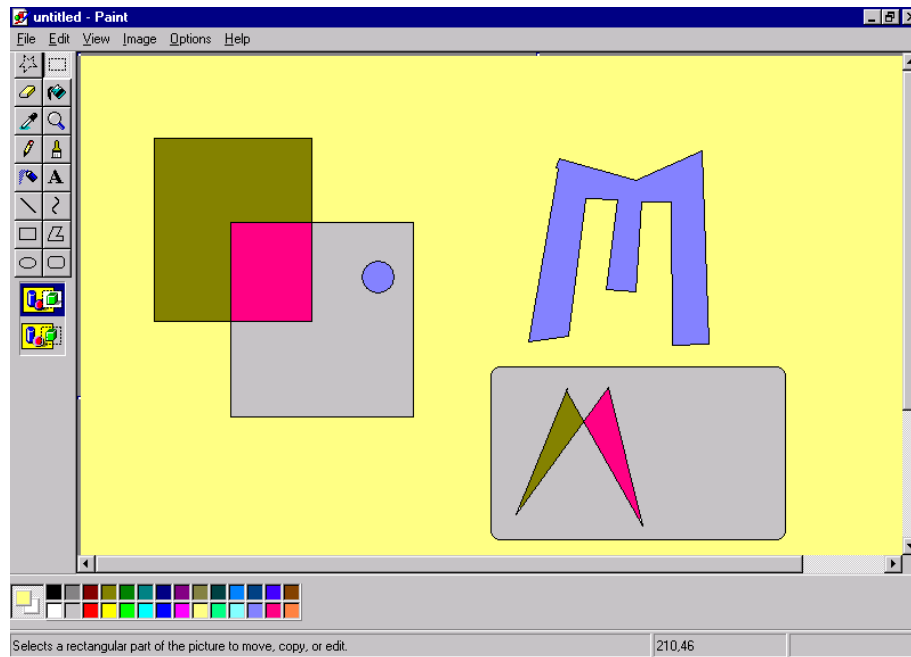
To draw perfect squares or perfect circles, select either Rectangle tool (or Ellipse tool) and also hold down the Shift Key while drawing. Do not release the Shift key until you have released the mouse click.




Examples.

6 Filling shapes with colour

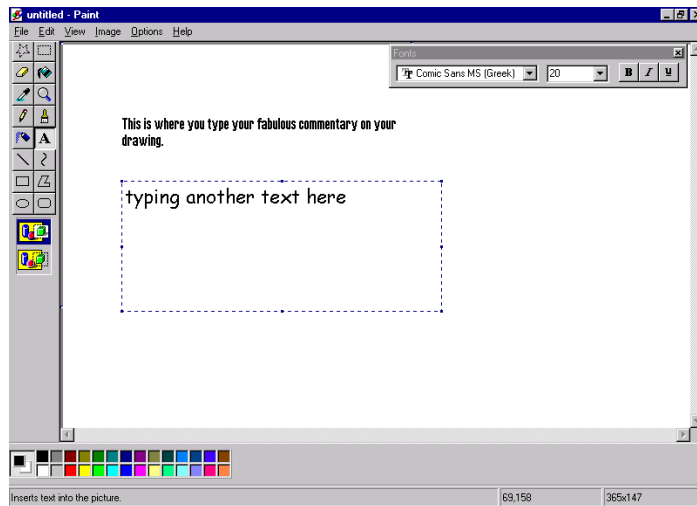
1. Click on the FILL WITH COLOUR icon. 
2. Click on a colour on your colour palette
3. Move mouse to the shape you want to fill with colour. Make sure that the tip of the spilling paint is within the area you want to paint.
4. Click once



7 Adding text to your drawing

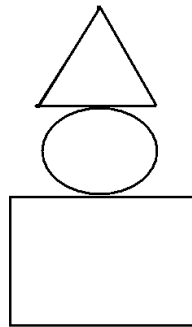
1. Click on the text tool 
2. Move mouse to the paper.
3. Click and drag mouse pointer in a downwards sloping direction.
4. This is how to draw a rectangle shape big enough to contain your text.
5. Notice how there is a cursor blinking inside this shape.
6. Type some text and note that the text toolbar appears.
7. You can change the look of your text by selecting on the text toolbar. As the entire rectangle is highlighted already, you don't have to select text.

Using Microsoft Paint



Exercises

1. Using the shapes - circle, rectangle and triangle - draw a picture of your choice. For example:



2. Draw a simple picture of a house using the tools that you have learnt today.

