

Graphics For Design

Assignment 2

InDesign Basics for Designers

Part 1: Understand and Plan

1. Look at all of the elements: text (Word doc), TIF image, EPS image. Look at the PDF example of what it should look like.
2. Create a new single-page document in InDesign that is a single page without a Primary Text Frame, 30p0 x 30p0, with a 3p0 margin all around.
3. Make a grid in the new document for your layout.
4. Save the document with the name "A2.GfD_InD_your initials.indd" in the same folder as your images. Examples would be "A2.GfD_InD_MH.indd" or "A2.GfD_InD_DB.indd"

Part 2: Add The Text

5. Make a text box using the "T" tool. Place it on the grid and copy and paste your header in it. Make the type 32pt Myriad Regular. Bold "love" using Myriad Bold.
6. Make a text box for your body copy. Place it on the grid and copy and paste your body copy. Make the type Myriad Regular at 10pt with 12pt leading. Italicize "The End." using Myriad Regular Italics.
7. Make a text box for your tertiary text. Place it on the grid and copy and paste this last piece of copy. Make the type Myriad Regular at 6pt with 8pt leading.
8. Go to Edit>Spelling>Check Spelling and check that the text does not contain any spelling errors.

Part 3: Add Images

9. Bring in the .ai image of the triangles. Go to File > Place and select the triangle_squre.ai image in the folder. Click the spot you want to position the image in and it will be on the page.
10. For the Tiff image of the crackers, make an image box the size that you want it to appear on the page (hint: roughly the same size in the PDF example.) Place it on your grid and place (File > Place) the image in the box. You will find the image too big for the box you just created. Use the "Links" pallet to select the image and resize the TIF to the image box size. You can do this in Photoshop and re-save the TIF with the file name "saltine_sm.tif" Replace the file in the InDesign doc, using the Links pallet.
11. Step 8: Create a small square shape that is 1p2 x 1p2. Fill it with black. Place in the lower right corner on your grid. Do a final "Save"

Part 4: Package and Upload Files

12. Go to File>Package and follow the prompts. You will be creating a new folder that will contain copies of your indd document, type, and placed images. The folder will also contain a PDF.
13. Zip your folder and upload it to the class area on the course uploade.
14. Celebrate. You just created one fine InDesign document.