

Positive Negative

Space

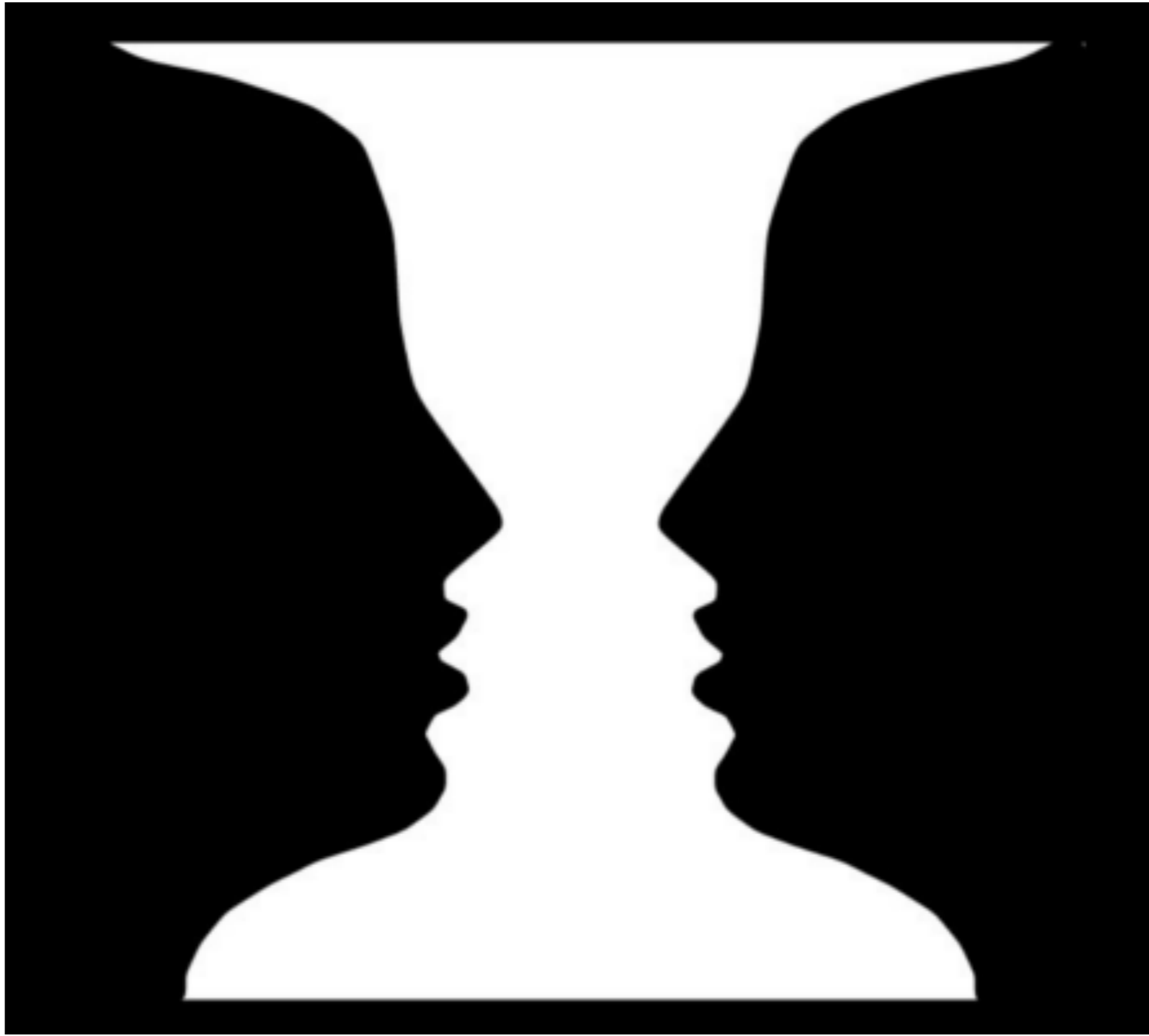
There are three basic elements of a composition:

- the frame
- the positive space
- the negative space

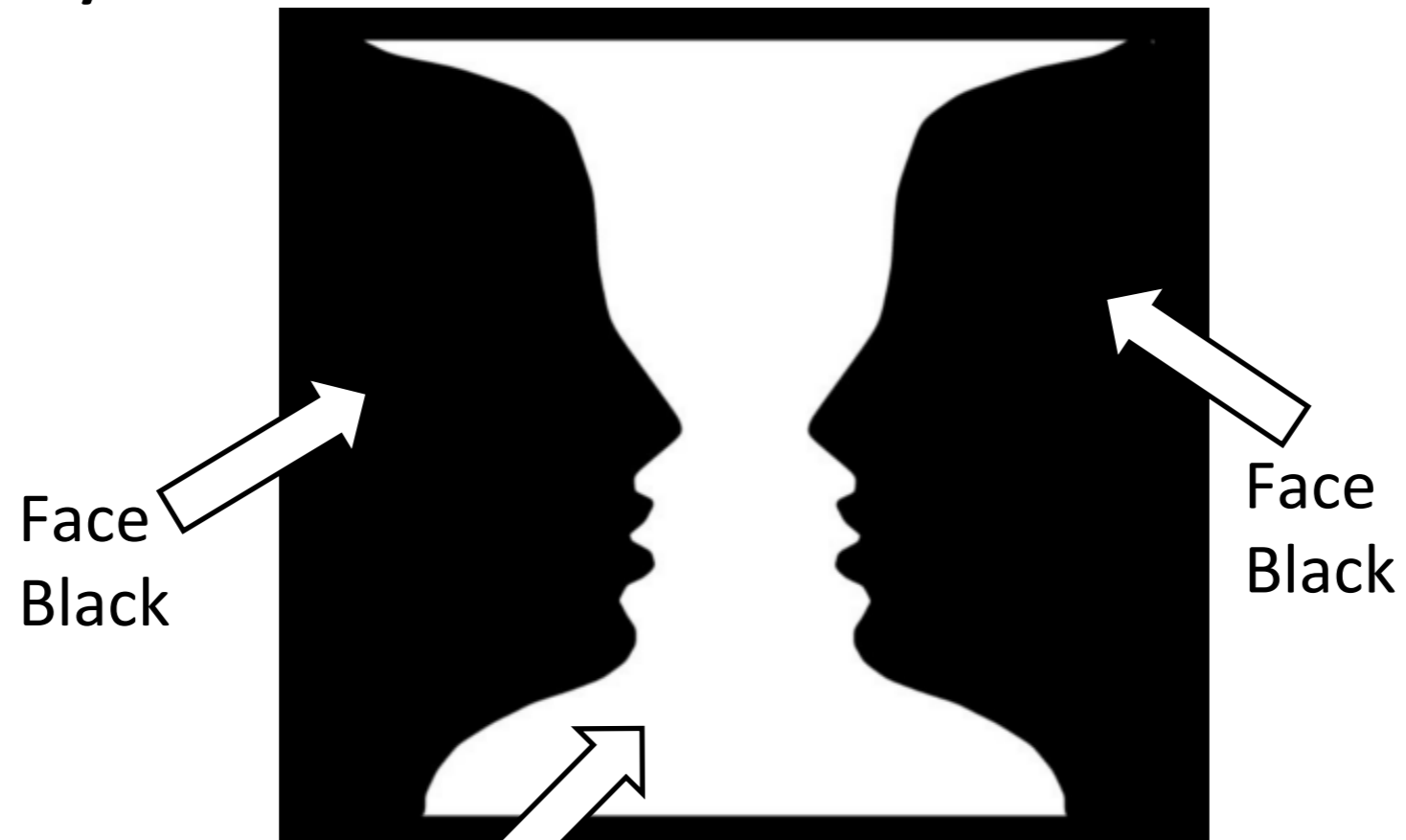
The positive space is occupied by your subject.
Conversely, negative space is the space that is not your subject.



**The positive space is masked in black in the second photo.
The negative space is masked in black in the third photo.**



Do you see the faces?



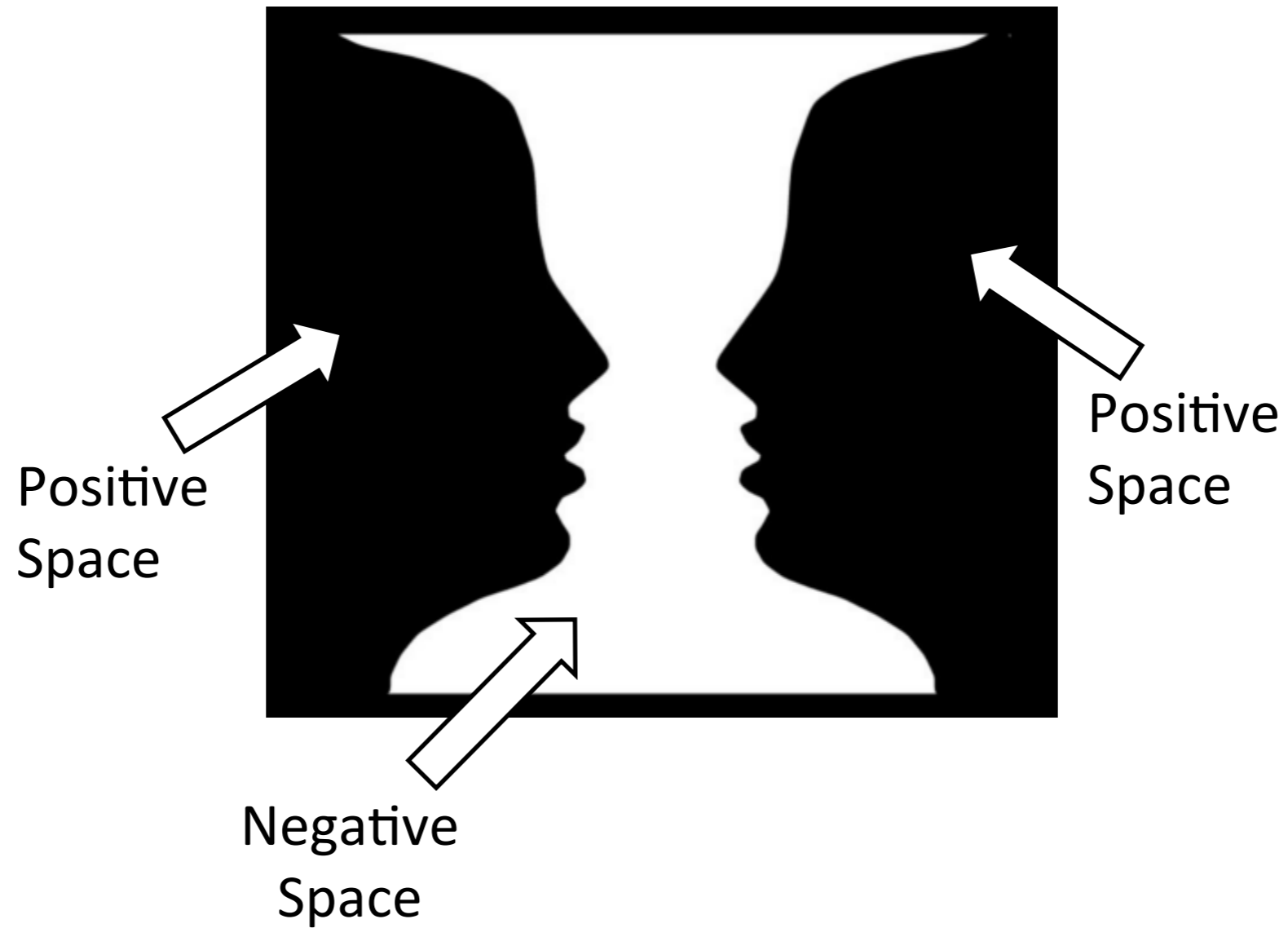
Face
Black

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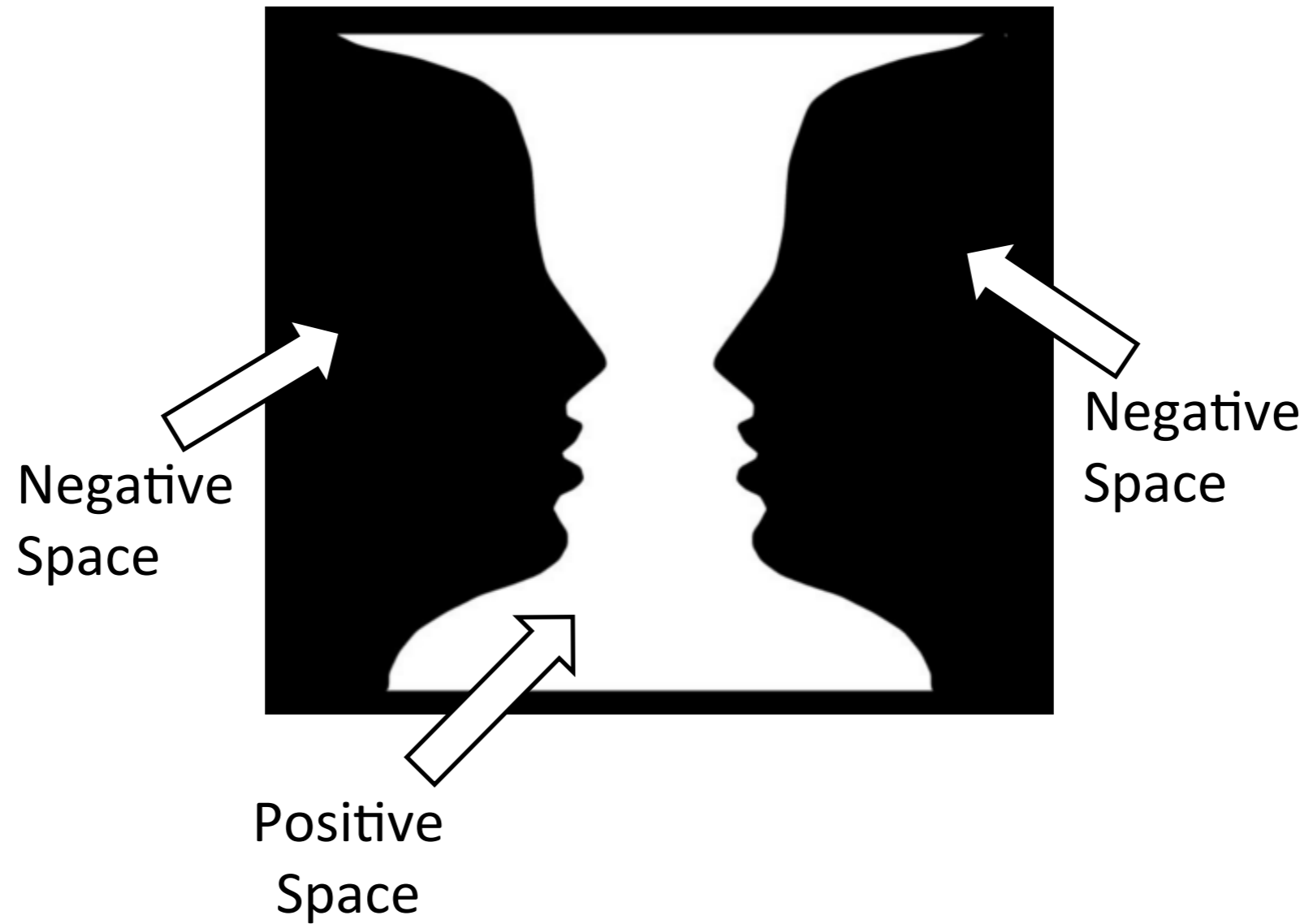
Vase
White

Do you see the vase?

If you saw the face then you are seeing the black as the positive space and the white as the negative space



If you saw the vase then you are seeing the white as the positive space and the black as the negative space



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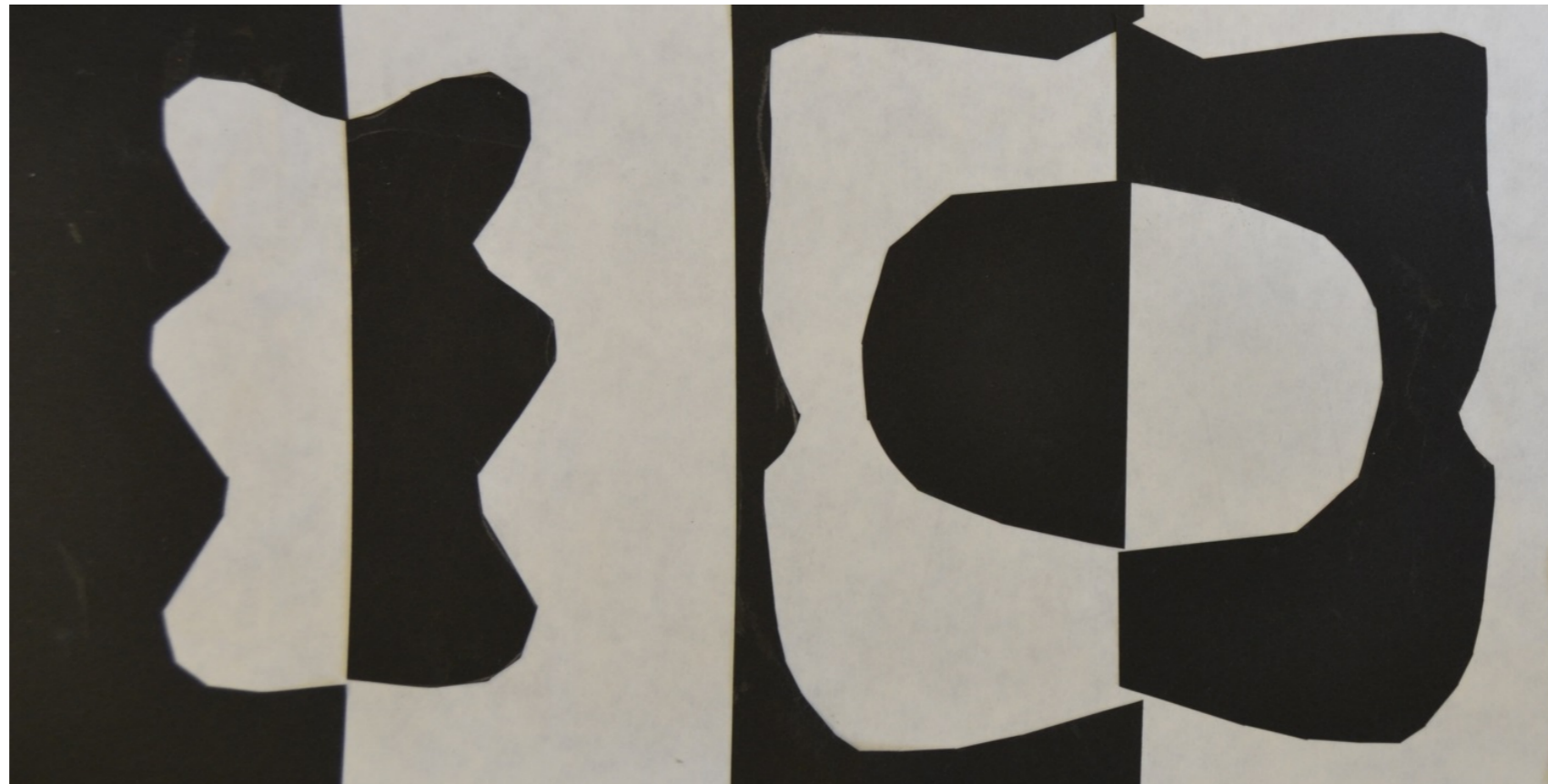


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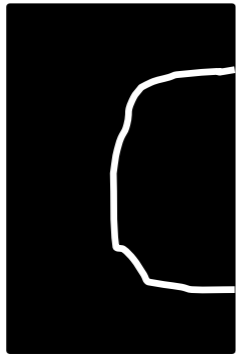


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Two Cut Practice Sheet



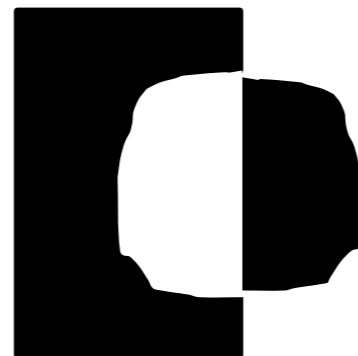
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Draw a line that starts on one side and ends on that same side.



Cut along the line so you have two pieces.

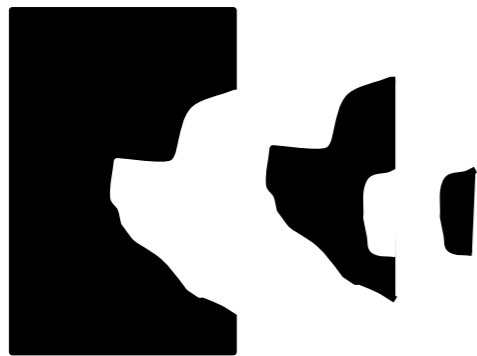


Line up the two pieces so they fit together and then flip the inside out.

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Draw two lines that starts on one side and end on that same side.



Cut along the line so you have three pieces.

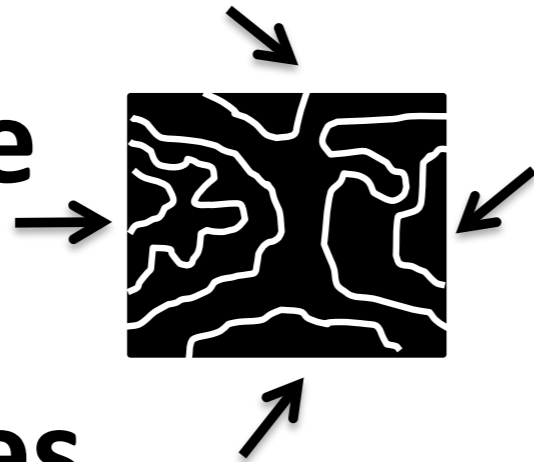


Line up the three pieces so they fit together and then flip the inside one out. Line up the next two pieces and flip the inside one out again.

Everyone takes ONE large sheet of colored paper.

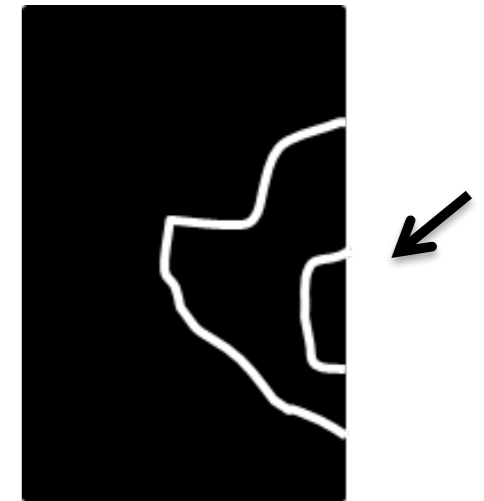


If you are going to draw lines on ALL sides cut a half sheet in half



OR

If you are going to draw lines on ONE side take a half sheet



STEPS FOR SUCCESS:

1: Create a one cut paper cut.

2: Create a two cut paper cut.

3: Think about the type of paper cut you are going to create for your final.

4: **SEE TEACHER to get ONE large sheet of paper AND get either a 1/2 sheet or a 1/4 sheet of another color construction paper...

5: Work on final more complex paper cut.

6: Answer reflection check-list!