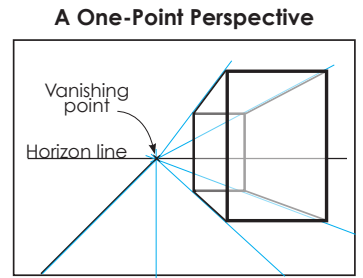


HOW To DRAW

Perspective Drawing

Perspective drawing means drawing something from a certain viewpoint. It helps the artist to draw things more realistically. Perspective drawing is based on three ideas:

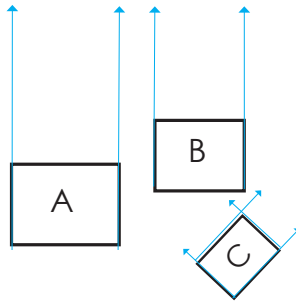
1. There is a horizon line where the earth and sky meet in the distance.
2. The farther away something is from you, the smaller it will appear.
3. If you drew two imaginary parallel lines from an object to the horizon line, those lines will end at the same point on the horizon line. This point is called the vanishing point.



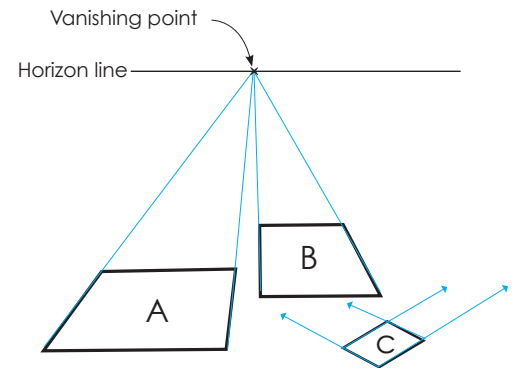
Which lines will meet at the vanishing point?

Only parallel lines meet at the vanishing point. Lines that are at an angle to each other will not.

Parallel lines will meet at the vanishing point. The lines from House A and House B would meet at the same vanishing point because the walls are parallel. House C would not meet at the vanishing point because its walls are not parallel to House A and House B.



If you looked at the houses from above, you would see which lines are parallel.



These are the way you would draw the houses in one-point perspective.

Draw cubes, pyramids and cylinders in the perspective grid. A cube has been drawn to guide you.

Use a ruler when drawing the shapes to line up your edges with the vanishing point and keep your lines straight.

