



Birds-Eye Perspective View of a City.

Step 1 First, put your vanishing point in the center of your paper. Then draw 30 or more shapes around your vanishing point. These shapes will be the TOPS of your skyscrapers.

Step 5 Finish by adding window in proper perspective. Make sure window lines are parallel to the top of the building and also go towards the vanishing point. Be creative with your design and add shading, patterns, roads, trees, sidewalks, street signs and more. Make sure you have at least 30 buildings.

Step 2 Next, draw receding lines from each corner of the shape (without passing through the top of a building) to the vanishing point.

Receding Lines
Vanishing Point

Notice how receding lines do not pass through a building top.

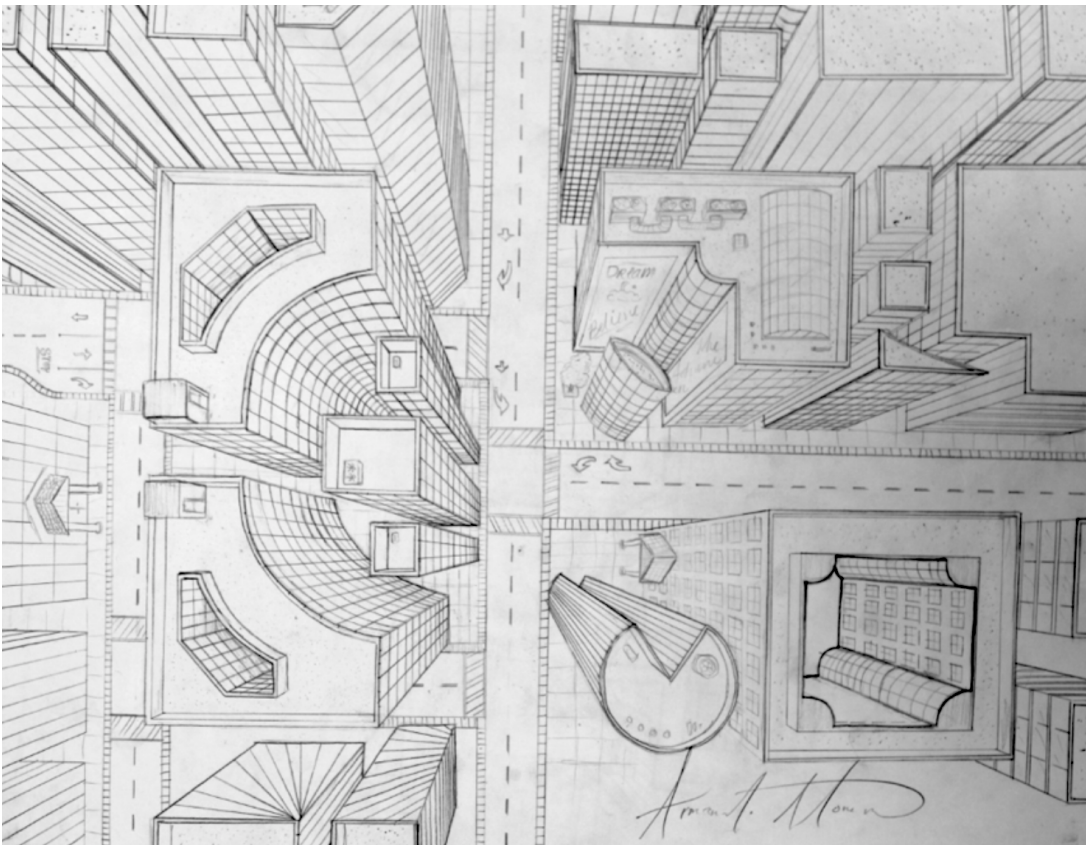
Notice how window lines go back to the vanishing point.

Step 3 After you have drawn all the receding lines, then draw the "far end" of each building. Be careful not to draw over the other buildings.

Step 4 Erase the receding lines from the "far end" of the building to the vanishing point.

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Student Examples



VOCABULARY:

Vanishing point (VP): is the point on the horizon line where the straight lines of an object converge and the object seems to disappear.

Receding Lines

(Perspective lines): are lines (invisible in real life) that extend from the edges of objects and recede into distant space until they finally seem to vanish at a point on the horizon line known as the vanishing point.

Horizon line: is a horizontal line (invisible in real life) sometimes referred to as eye level, which divides your line of vision when you look straight ahead. Your eye level and the horizon line are one and the same.

One point perspective: occurs when the frontal face of an object (such as a cube) is closest to you, and its edges recede in space and converge at a single vanishing point.

