Create special effects with the painting tools

Concept: Differences between Drawing and Painting documents. Painting is basically bit-mapped graphics. Drawing is object-oriented, vector-based graphics.

Tasks:

Basic Painting

• Start a new Painting document.
• Create a shape (such as square, circle, ...) and fill the shape with colors using the Bucket tool.
• Create a transparent shape (with transparent Fill pattern).
• What is the difference between Fill color and Line color?
  ** Can you draw a thick patterned line with an arrow head?

Create twin pictures.

• Go to the server and drag a picture to the desktop.
• Display the image with Simpletext.
• Copy a portion of the image into computer's memory and paste it into the Painting document.
• Trim the picture with the eraser tool.
• Use big mountain to blow up the image for easy cropping.
• Use small mountain to shrink the image.
• Select the image with the lasso tool.
• Copy the image and paste a few copy.
• With the new copy being selected, choose Flip horizontally from the Transform menu.

Create an animal picture with blue sky and green grass.

• Go to the server and copy the image lion (or the animal graphics library).
• Use Oval tool to create a transparent circle or oval to surround the animal.
• Tear off the gradient tool and edit one of the color with blue on top and green at bottom.
• Fill the gradient color in the oval area.

Create a sweeping effect.

• Use lasso tool to select an image.
• Hold down option-Command keys and drag the image across the screen.

Create special text effects

• Create big-size color text with the text tool.
• Use Marquee tool to select the text.
• Select shear from the Transform menu and drag the handle.

Fill a big text with color

• Create a big text.
• Fill the text with a gradient color.

Try out the following effects: Distort, Shear, Perspective.