

ADD

- extend or expand
- magnify
- use other materials
- research your subject

SUBTRACT

- remove certain parts or elements
- compress or make smaller
- stylize and simplify

SUBSTITUTE

- exchange, switch or replace

ANIMATE

- mobilize the visual and psychological tensions
- control the pictorial movements and forces
- apply factors of repetition and progression
- give human qualities

REPEAT

- repeat a shape, colour, form, image, or idea
- reiterate, echo, restate, or duplicate your subject

COMBINE

- bring things together
- connect, arrange, link, unify
- mix, merge, rearrange
- combine ideas, materials and techniques
- bring together dissimilar things

FRAGMENTATE

- separate, divide, split, dissect
- chop up, disassemble it

CHANGE SCALE

- make subject bigger or smaller
- change proportion, relative size, ratio, dimensions

DISTORT

- twist subject out of its true shape
- alter proportions
- make it longer, wider, fatter, narrower
- melt, crush, tear it, misshape it

ANALOGIZE

- compare
- draw associations
- seek similarities between things that are different

MYTHOLOGIZE

- build a myth around your subject
- transform your subject into an iconic object

EMPATHIZE

- sympathize
- relate with your subject
- give subject human qualities

METAMORPHOSE

- transform, convert, transmutate
- depict your subject in a state of change
- make structural progressions

22 WAYS TO

CHANGE YOUR DRAWING

DISGUISE

- camouflage, conceal, deceive, encrypt, hide, mask
- implant subject into another frame of reference

TRANSFER

- adapt, transpose, relocate, dislocate
- move subject to a new situation, environment, or context
- transpose to a different historical, social, geographical setting
- look at it from a different point of view

FANTASIZE

- use your subject to trigger surreal, preposterous, outlandish, bizarre thoughts
- topple mental and sensory expectations
- extend your imagination

SYMBOLIZE

- design an icon for your idea
- turn your subject into a symbol

CONTRADICT

- contradict the subject's original function
- contravene, disaffirm, deny, reverse

HYBRIDIZE

- cross-fertilize objects, ideas, perceptions
- wed subject with an improbable mate

ISOLATE

- Separate, set apart, crop, detach
- use only a part of your subject

SUPERIMPOSE

- overlap, place over, cover, overlay
- superimpose dissimilar images or ideas
- overlay elements to produce new images, ideas, meanings
- superimpose elements from different perspectives, disciplines, time periods

PARODY

- make fun of your subject
- ridicule, mimic, mock, burlesque or caricature
- transform it into a joke, limerick or pun
- make zany, ludicrous or comic references
- create a visual oxymoron or conundrum