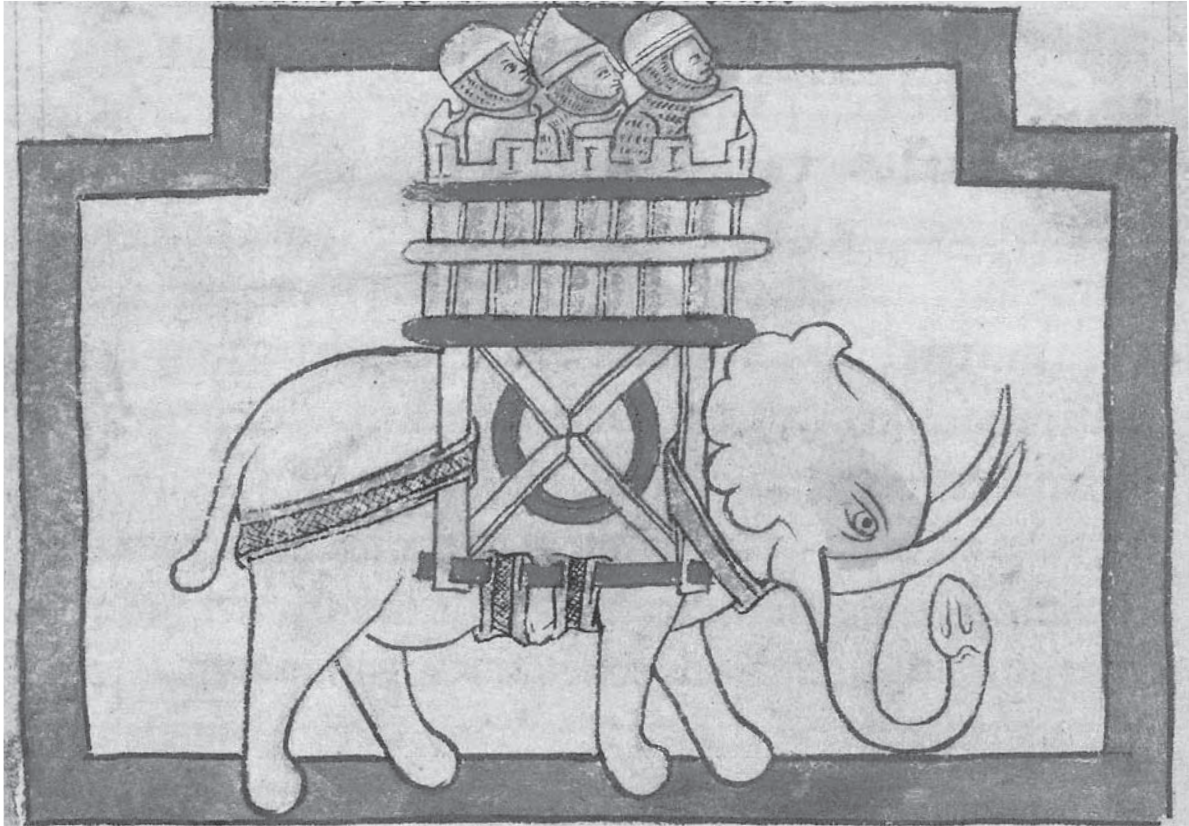


Introducing Shape

Learning about the elements of art? Continue by discovering shapes in works of art. Identify the different shapes you see in this detail of a page from a thirteenth-century book.



Unknown artist

An Elephant

English, about 1250–60

Ink tinted with body color and translucent washes on parchment, $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{16}$ in.

Ms. 100, fol. 17v

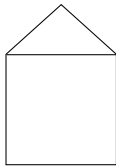
List the shapes you see.

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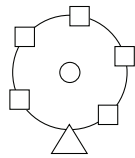
Build a vocabulary of shapes. Use the table below to experiment with drawing different types of shapes.

Geometric shapes					Organic shapes
Triangle	Square	Rectangle	Circle	Oval	

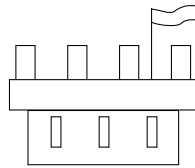
For a quick drawing exercise, use shapes to create simple forms. Below are some examples.



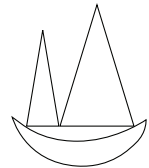
House



Ferris Wheel



Castle



Boat