

Demonstrate Knowledge of Type

(Domain Objective 4.7)

Photoshop adds text as a new layer automatically. The options bar provides basic options such as font, style, size, alignment, and color. Additional formatting options are available in the Character and Paragraph panels, which you can open on the Windows menu. Photoshop has a Horizontal Type tool and a Vertical Type tool. As the names imply, the Horizontal Type tools enters text in a horizontal fashion, whereas the Vertical Type tool enters the text vertically. The Character panel and the Paragraph panel provide additional functionality for formatting text.

You can also enter text as a mask. The Horizontal Type Mask tool and the Vertical Type Mask tool treat text as a selection. This gives you the flexibility to work with the text as a vector image and create selections from images with the text.

Tip: As long as the text remains a type layer, the text is editable. If the layer is rasterized or flattened, the text is no longer editable and is a graphic image of the text.

Step-by-Step 4.7

1. Start Photoshop CS5.
2. Click **File** on the Application bar, click **Open**, select the location of your data files, click **bridge** and then click **Open**.
3. Click **File** on the application bar, click **Save As**, and then name the file **bridge text practice**. Save this in your Domain 4 folder.
4. In the Tools panel, click and hold the **Horizontal Type** tool, and then click the **Horizontal Type Mask** tool.
5. On the options bar, set the Font Family to **Blackoak Std**, the Font Size to **36 pt**, and the Alignment to **Center Text**.
6. Align the pointer to approximately **4 ½"** on the horizontal ruler and **2 ½"** on the vertical ruler, click the **canvas**, type **Japanese**, press **Enter**, type **Sunken**, press **Enter**, type **Gardens**, and then click the **Commit any current edits** button. The text is now typed as a selection appears outlined in a marching ants border.
7. On the Layers panel click the **Add layer mask** button. The text has been turned into a mask revealing the picture.
8. **Save** and close the document.