

# Tree Landscape Collage



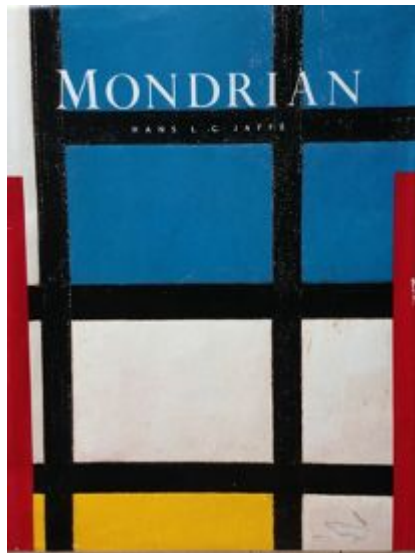
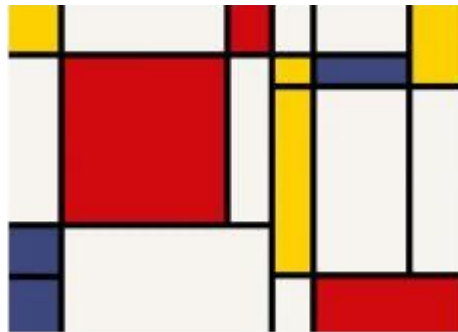
Inspired by  
Piet Mondrian  
1872-1944

# What happened to Mondrian's tree over time?

Look at the paintings pictured here.

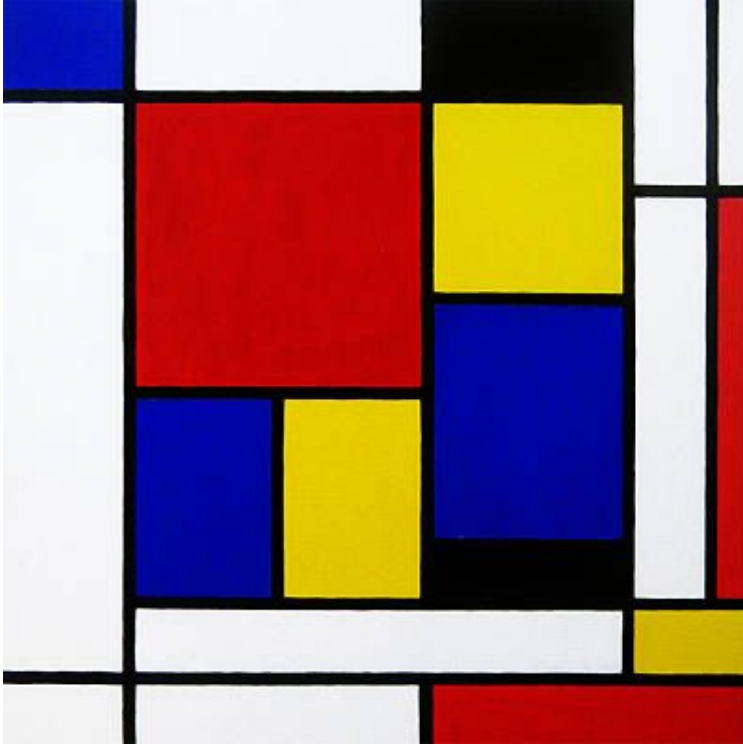
Can you see how Mondrian's most realistic tree changed into abstract art?

Can you tell which painting came first, second, third, and fourth?



Which one do you think made him world famous?

# Mondrian Tree Landscape Project



## Materials

White paper

Ruler

Black marker

Primary colors

One primary-color paper for background

Glue

Scissors

## STEP 1

Draw horizontal and vertical lines with black marker on the white paper. From edge to edge. Use a ruler to help.

## STEP 2

Now, your paper is full of squares and rectangles. Color them with primary colors. Leave some shapes white.



### STEP 3

Flip the paper over.  
Using a pencil, draw a  
tree and cut it out.



Paste the tree on the  
background paper  
(yellow, red, or blue).

### STEP 4

## STEP 5

Use the leftover papers to create the land and anything else you can imagine to add...birds, clouds, turtles, rocks, etc.



## STEP 6

Outline all pasted items with black.



**STEP 7**

Send a photo of  
your art to  
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