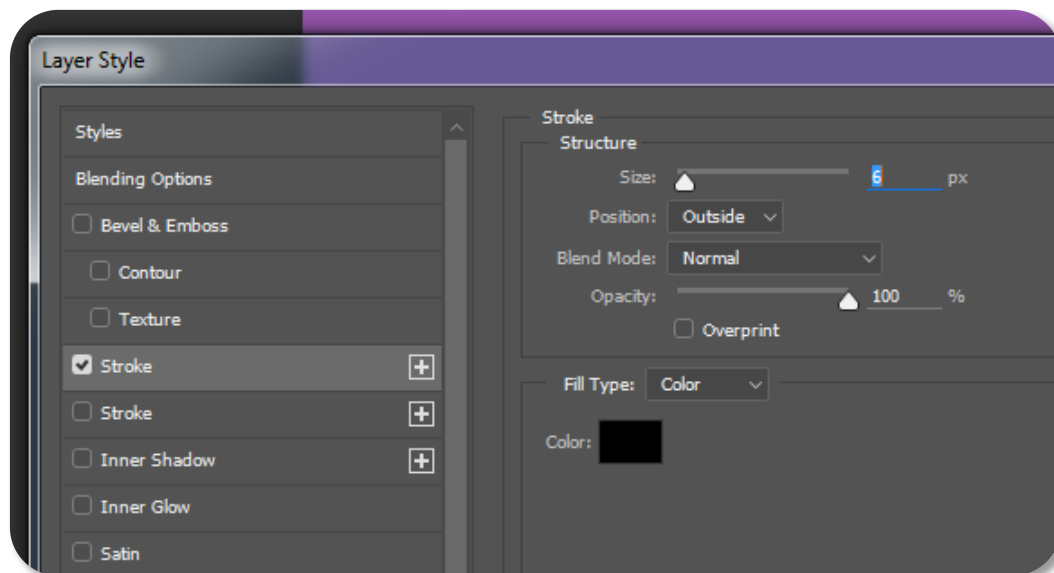


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Text

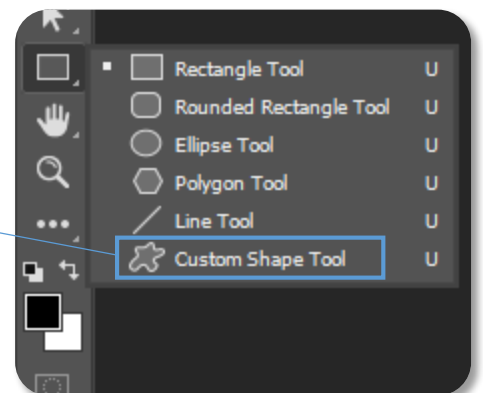
- Add text to your meme by clicking the **Type** tool
 - (for the classic meme look, type in ALL CAPS)
- Select your text, and in the options at the top...
 - Change the font to **Impact Regular**
 - Increase text size
 - Change text color by clicking on the rectangle (black by default) and selecting white
- Right-click on your text layer in the Layers panel, and select **Blending Options**
 - Click on **Stroke**, and increase the size of your stroke
 - Make sure **Position** is set to Outside and the Color is black



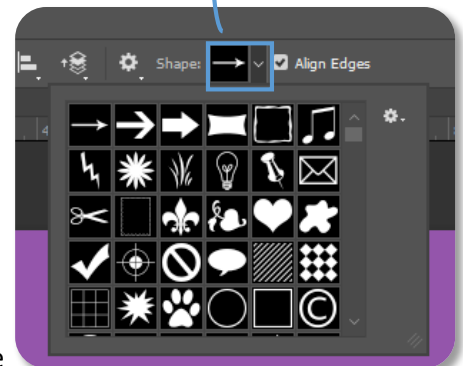
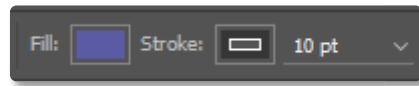
Your settings should look like this

Shapes

- Right click on the shape tool to see all your shape options
 - For arrows, speech bubbles, and all kinds of shapes, select **Custom Shape Tool**



- In the options at the top, you can change the shape
- You can also change the fill and stroke colors, as well as stroke thickness



- Resizing and moving a shape (or anything else) – press **Ctrl+T**
 - Be sure to press enter/return to accept the changes

Changing Image/Canvas Size

- You may want to adjust the width or height of your image.
Go to **Edit > Image size** and change the width and height there
- If you want to change the width or height of the document but not the images inside, you will need to adjust the canvas size by going to **Edit > Canvas Size**
 - When you make your canvas size larger, you will see some areas of your document that are filled with white and gray checkerboard. This means there is no pixel information in that area, so we want to fill it!
 - Go to the **Magic Wand** tool and select the checkerboard area
 - Go to **Edit > Fill**, and change Content-Aware to whichever color you want to be your background



Selecting/Removing Backgrounds

- Select the **Quick Selection** tool
 - Click and drag on the object you want to select (this is the part of the image you want to *keep*, not get rid of)
 - Adjust brush size with [and] keys
 - If you accidentally select something you didn't mean to, hold down **alt/option** and click on the unwanted area to subtract from the selection
- Once your object is selected, right-click on the selection and select **Layer via copy**
 - Now you should have a separate layer in your Layers panel with just the selected object on it
 - Right-click on that layer, and select **Duplicate Layer**
 - Change the **Destination** to the photoshop file with the desired background image on it
 - Edit any funky edges by using the **Eraser** tool and if needed, resizing and decreasing the hardness of the brush

Saving

- Save two files: a Photoshop document (.psd) and an image file (.jpg)
 - You may want to make some changes later to your meme creation, so be sure to **Ctrl+S** your photoshop document

- To save an image file, go to **File > Save as...** or **Ctrl+Shift+S** and change the file format to JPEG
- Set the **quality** for a minimum of **8**, and press OK

You did it!



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