

PERCEPTION

This exercise involves the use of a short story followed by a group discussion. The story and discussion are used to demonstrate the fact that not everyone sees the same thing when they look at an object.

WHEN TO USE THIS EXERCISE

This exercise can be used during any safety meeting, training session, or safety induction. It has many different uses, for example, it can be used when you want to emphasize the reason why supervisors sometimes have trouble in communicating safety instructions to employees. This exercise can be used to complement training in the areas of:

- Safety Management
- Communications
- Safety Instructions
- Safety Training.

DURATION

Allow approximately 5 minutes.

MATERIALS REQUIRED

Overheads or handouts of the four perception pictures that are attached.

HOW TO RUN THIS EXERCISE

STEP 1 Show the participants the overheads or pictures of the perception exercise in the correct sequence one, two, three and then four.

STEP 2 Conduct the group discussion.

GUIDANCE NOTES FOR GROUP DISCUSSION

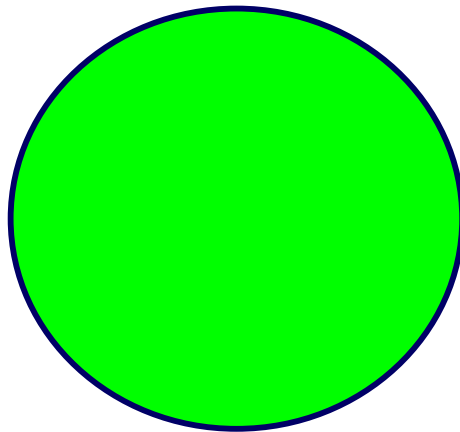
Examples of discussion questions include:

- What do you think is the moral of this short story?
- How does the overheads/pictures relate to our discussion/training?
- How can we apply this moral (the key messages) to our discussion/training?
- How can we apply this moral (the key messages) to our workplace?

ATTACHMENTS

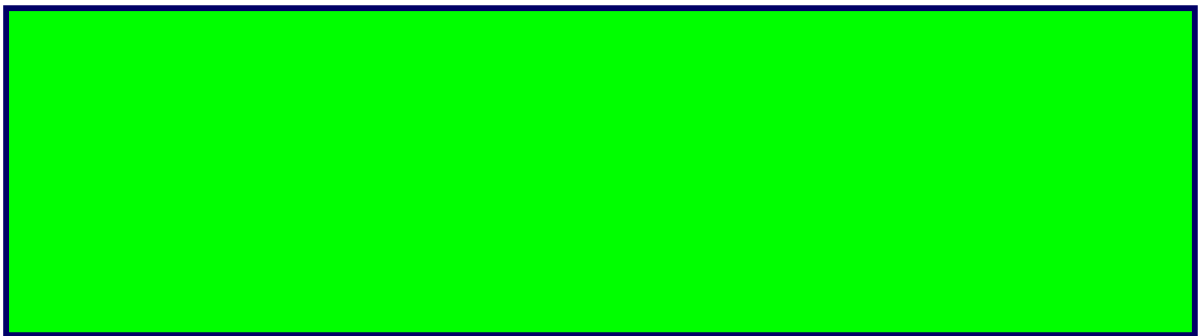
The perception pictures numbered 1, 2, 3 and 4.

One person saw this:



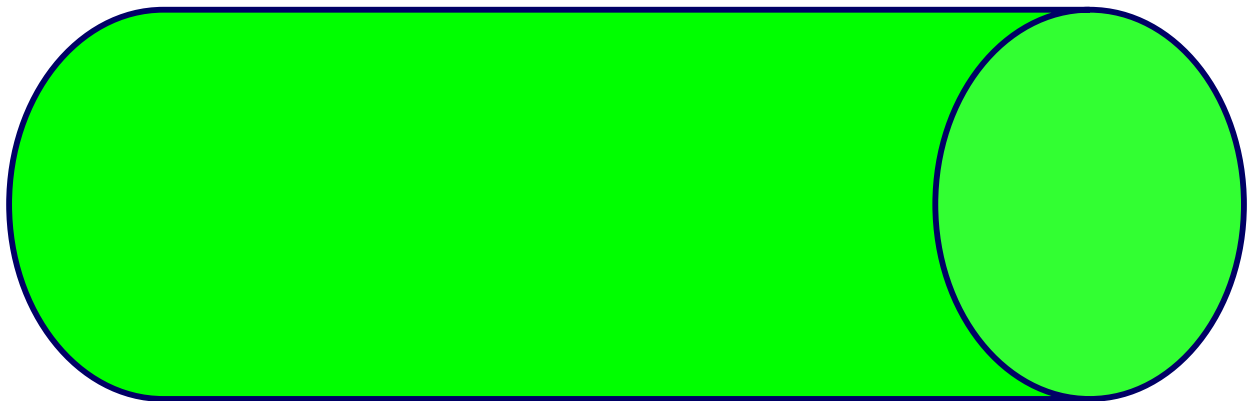
Perception picture #1

Another person saw this:



Perception picture #2

However, neither of them saw this:



Perception picture #3

MAKES YOU WONDER WHAT

ELSE THEY MISSED.

DOESN'T IT!