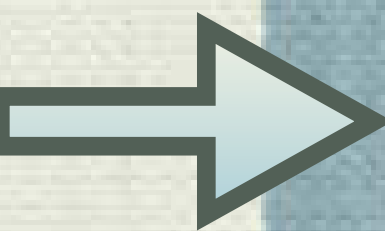


# Objects and Meanings

Learning Objective:

To gather ideas to use in a still life composition.



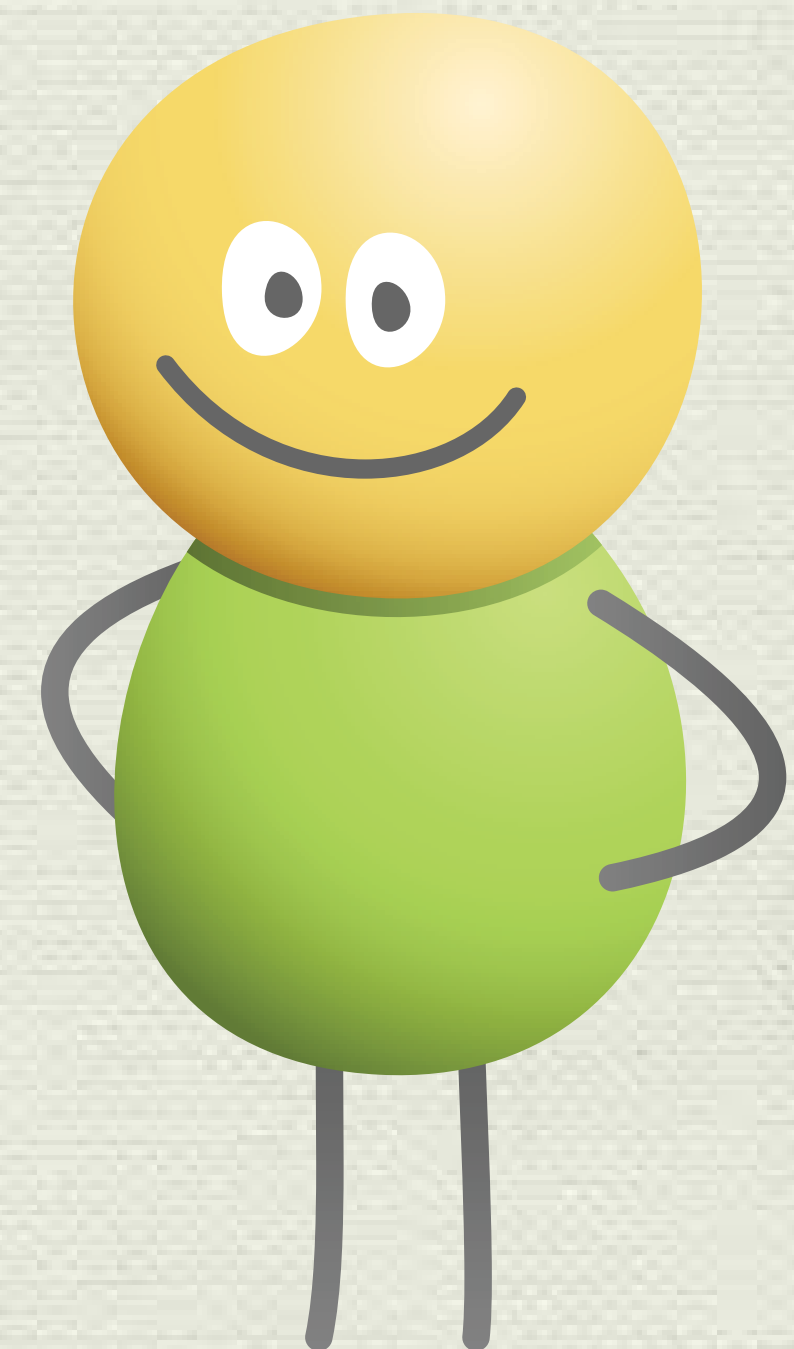
Over the next few lessons you will be gathering ideas to make your own still life painting that reflects your personality.



Have a look at the objects on the next pages. What kind of person do you think chose these objects? What do they tell you about their personality?

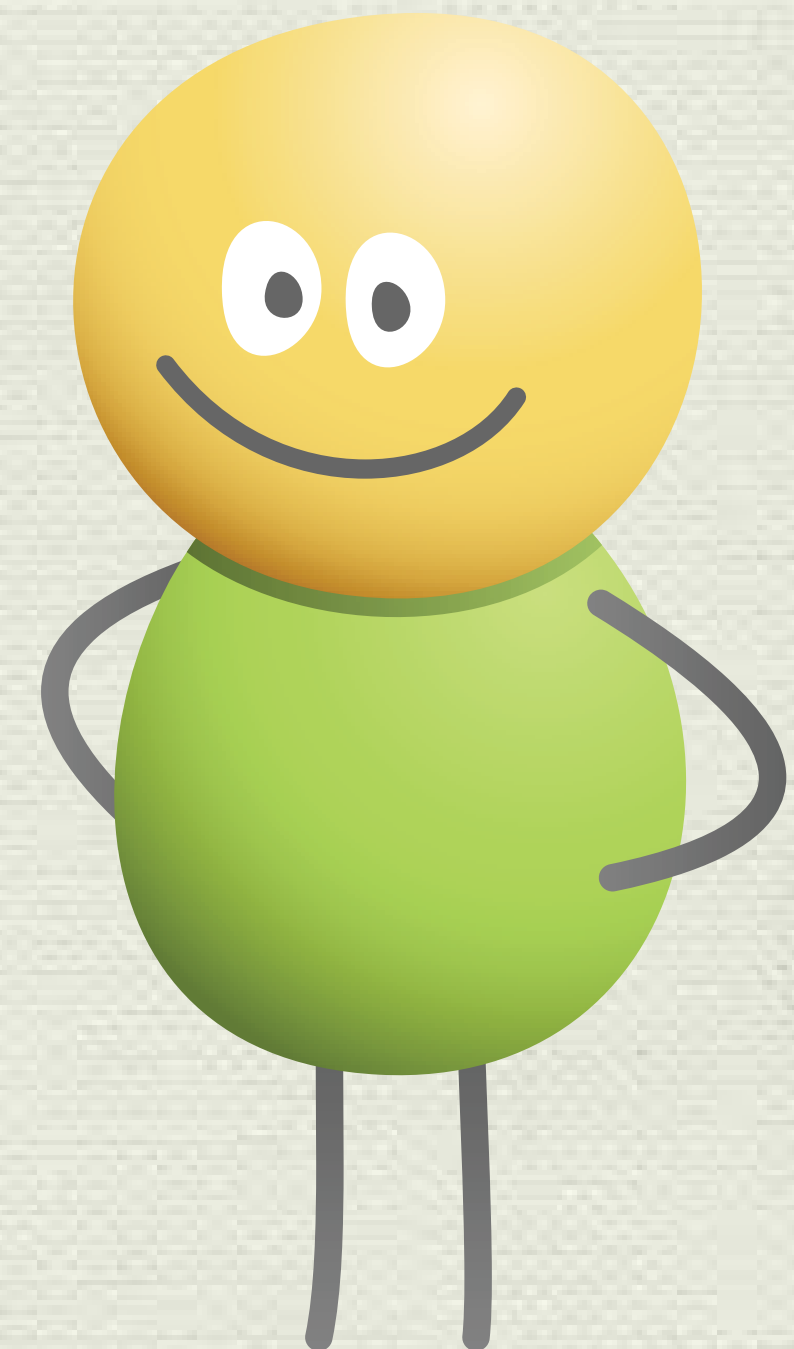


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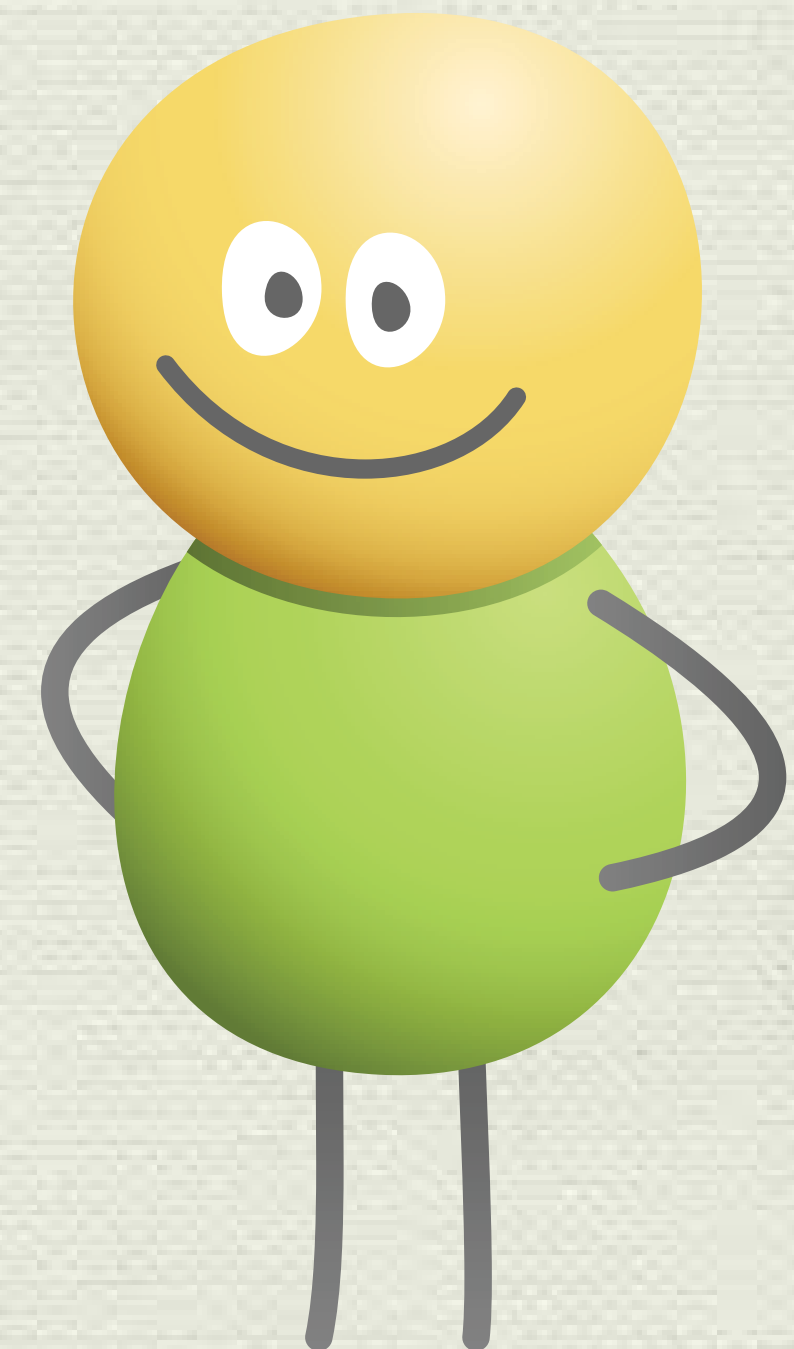


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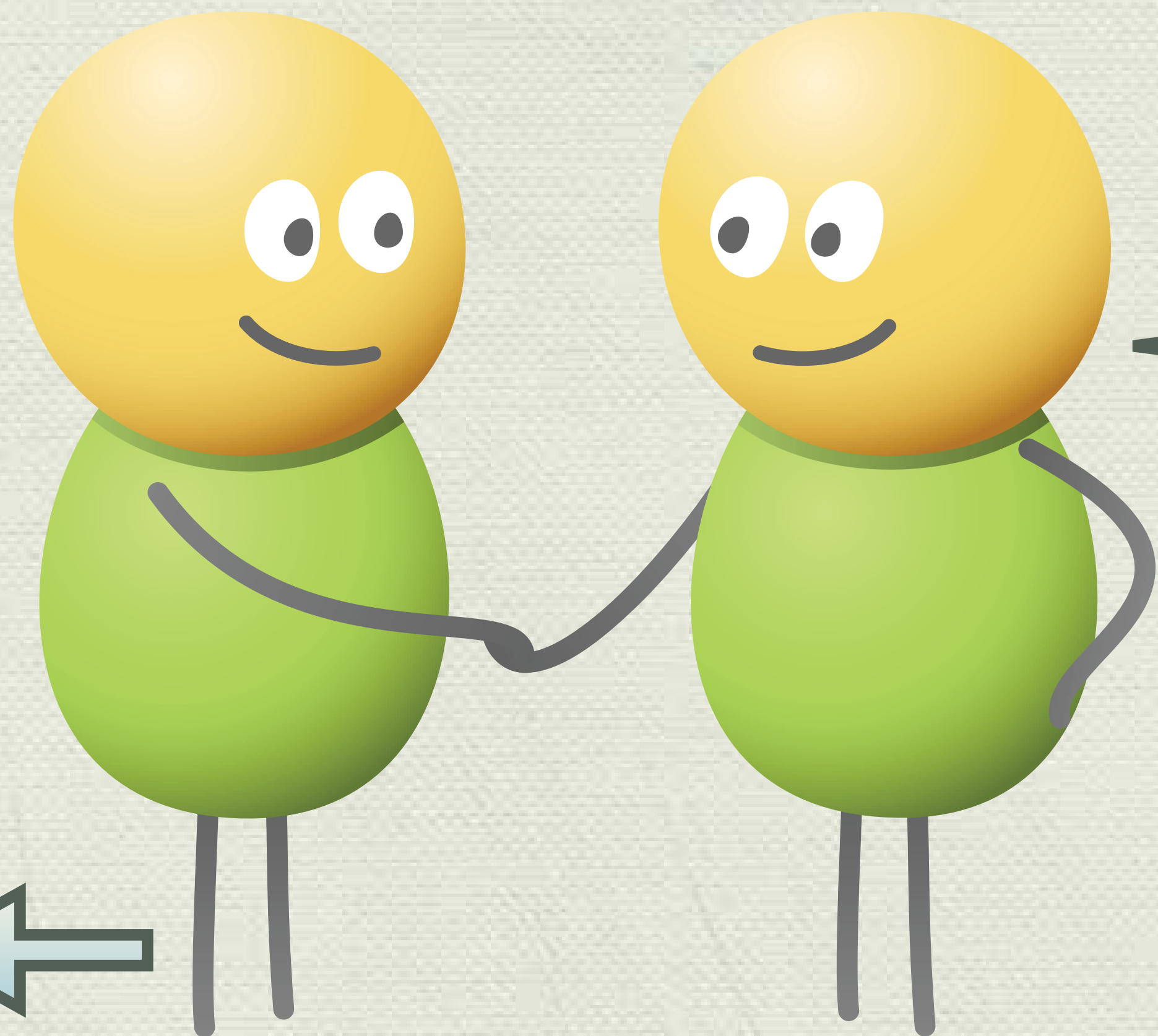


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Different objects convey meaning and reveal information about a person's interests and personality.



Which three objects  
would you choose to  
show your personality?

Discuss your ideas with a  
partner.



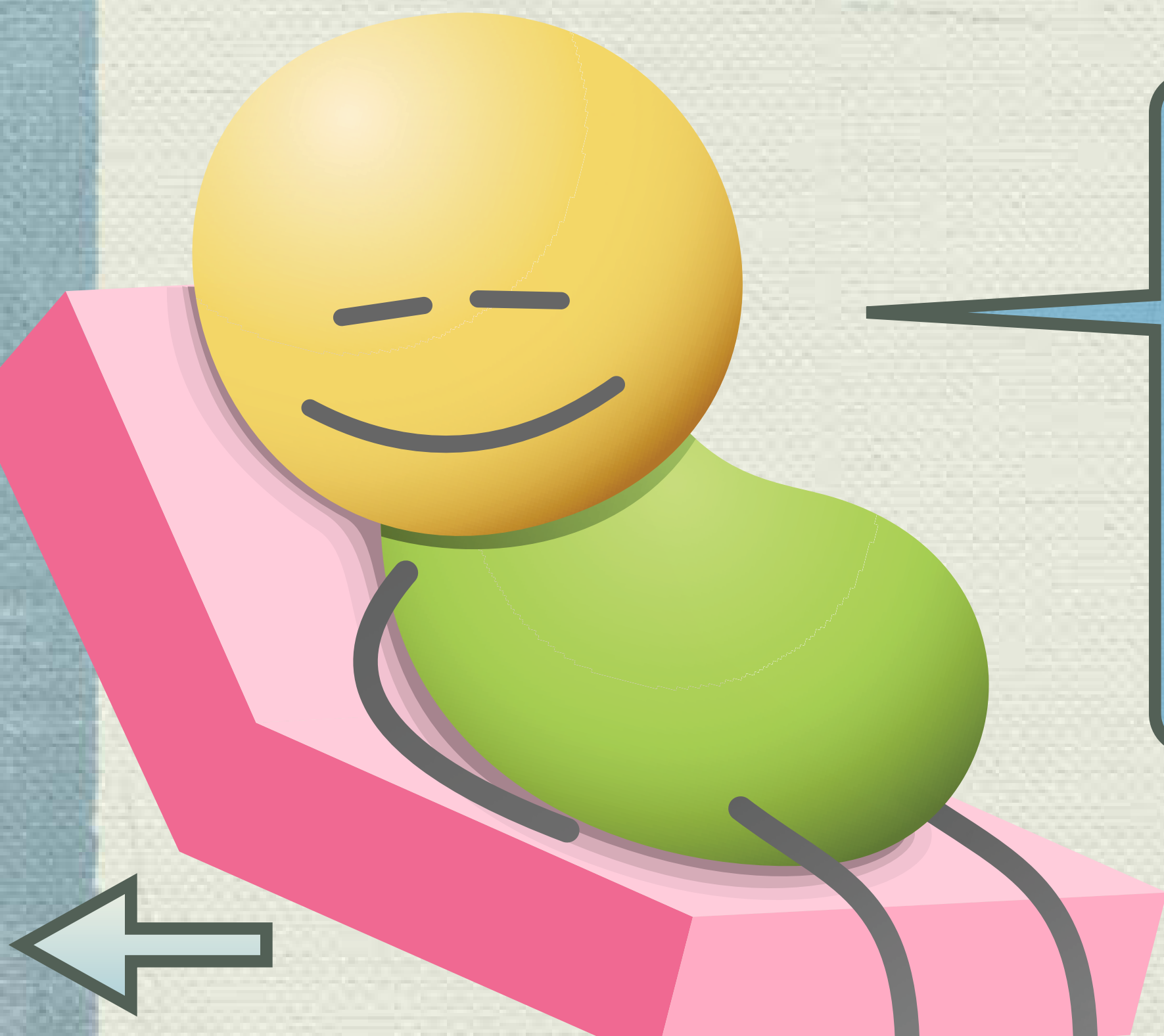


How does an  
object convey  
meaning?

Think, pair, share



It is not only objects that convey meaning. Colours can make people think and feel different emotions. Choosing a colour scheme along with your objects is important.



The colour blue makes me feel relaxed. Is this the same for you?



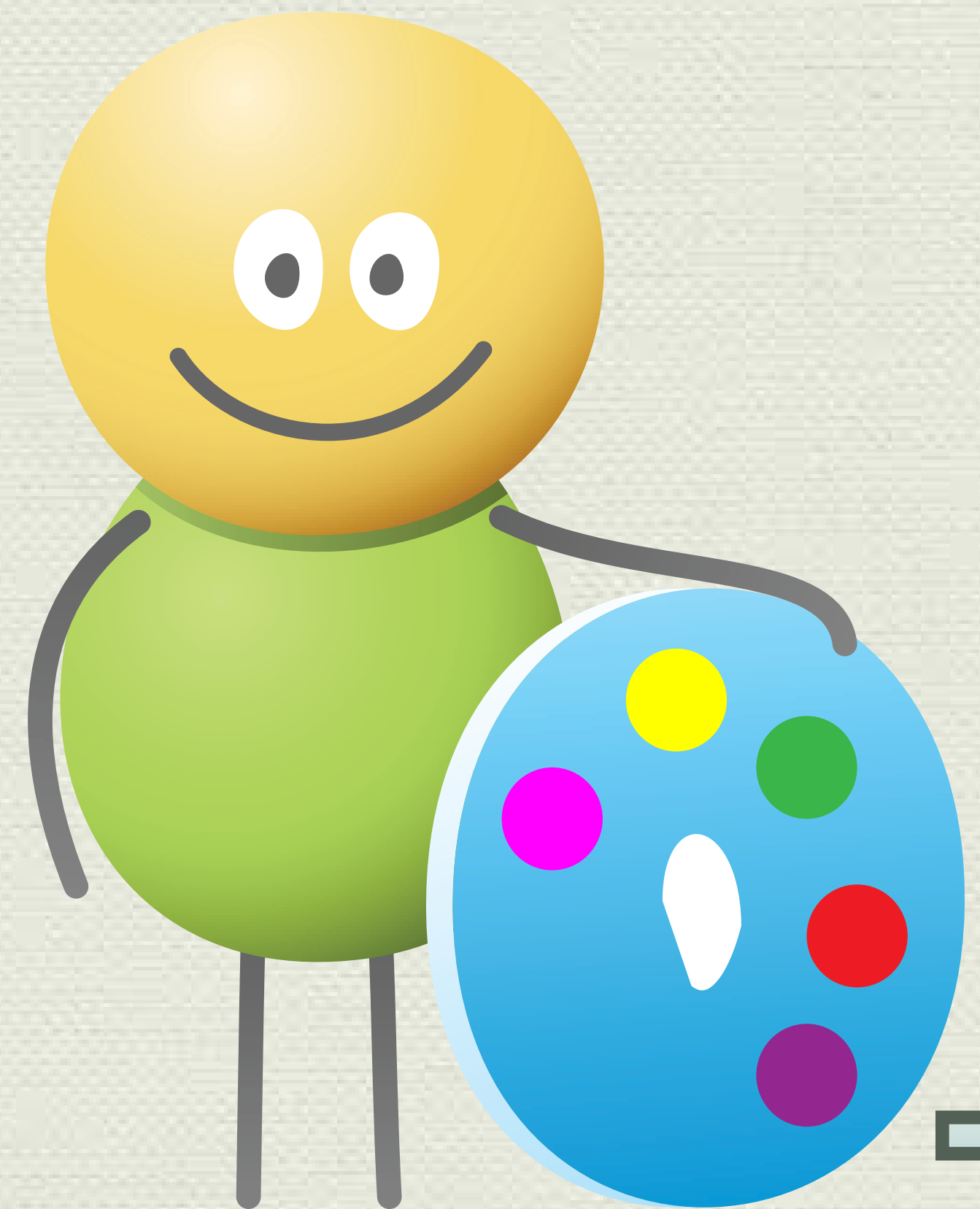


What colours reflect your personality? These are not your favourite colours, they are colours that match who you are.

What would your colours be?

Would they be bold or gentle colours?

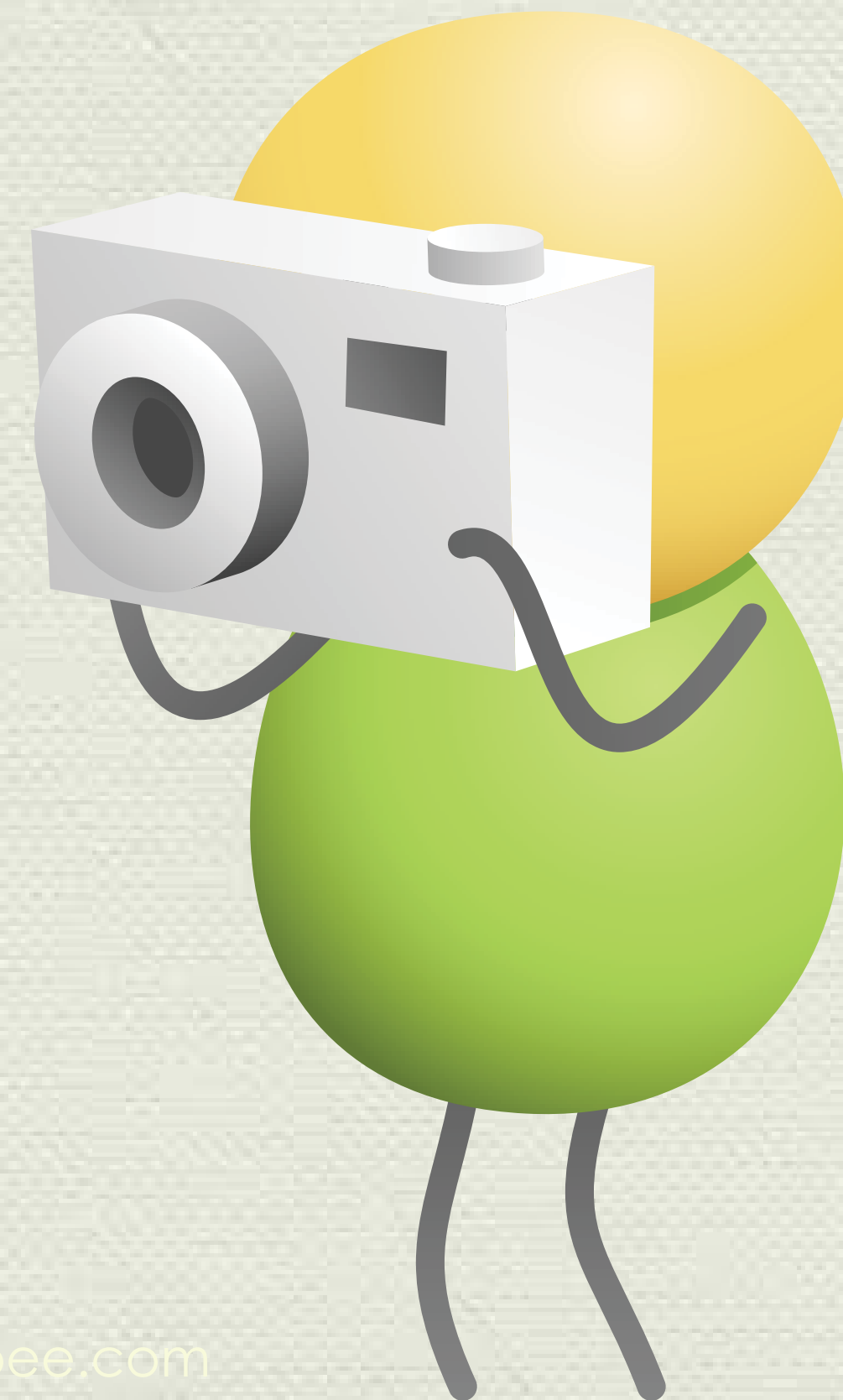
Would they be dark or light?





When making a still life composition, you have to think about the objects and colour scheme you will use. Once this has been decided you can think about a backdrop.

What could you use?



The  
backdrop  
on this still  
life is a  
table and  
silk cloth.





It is easy to create a composition that looks great. Try using a cereal box or shoe box for the background. Open out the box you chose to use.



Cut off the edges of the box but leave the back ones. Fold the back section up and glue it or tape it to the side tabs.





Carefully drape some fabric over the box. You could use an item of clothing or a towel or scarf.



Choose some objects that represent your personality. Don't pick too many as it will make it more difficult to paint. Arrange your objects on the inside of the box.