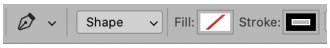
Exercise: Pen tool - a circle

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1 Select the pen tool
Then, choose No Fill and a Black Stroke in the the pen tool Options Bar. 

2 Click and Hold on square #1. Drag right while Holding then release the mouse.
Note: clicking with the Pen Tool 1 time creates an Anchor Point. When you 'click and drag' you are pulling out Direction Handles from the Anchor Point.

3 Moving clockwise, Click and Drag (straight down) on square #2.
Note: The direction you pull when dragging, will affect the curve between the first anchor point and the 2nd.

4 Click and Drag (left) on square #3.

5 Click and Drag (up) on square #4.
Note: Notice how dragging creates a curve in the opposite direction.

6 Hover you cursor over the first anchor point you created. Watch for the small circle that tells you, the path can be closed. Then click 1 time to close.

You should have a circular object.

We will now convert this shape into a diamond, with corner points.

7 Click the Pen Tool in the Toolbar and select 'Convert Point Tool' 

8 Click 1 time on each of the 4 anchor points in your circular shape.
Notice how they become corners?

9 Using the Anchor Point Tool, click and drag one of those corners to turn it back into a smooth curve.
Try all the points for extra practice!

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Click and drag right ▸

#1 ■

▲ Click and drag up

#4 ■

#2 ■ Click and drag down ▼

#3 ■

◂ Click and drag left