## Inkscape : Elephant

REMEMBER... press Ctrl Z if you need to UNDO.

ENLARGE the image when drawing small, detailed shapes.

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Click the <b>Circle</b> Tool (F5). Fill colour: Pink, Stroke colour: Dark Pink, Width: 4px. Whilst holding CTRL+ALT, click and drag to draw a perfect circle for the head.	
Select the head.  MENU: Path - Object to Path (CTRL+SHIFT+C)	
Click the Path Node tool (F2)	
Whilst holding Ctrl key, click and drag the top middle node to stretch up a bit.	
Click the <b>Spiral</b> tool (F9).  Set to: Turns: 5.5 Divergence: 8 Inner Radius: 0.1,  Draw the trunk and position correctly.  Fill colour: Pink, Stroke colour: Dark Pink,  Width: 4px. Round Cap,	
Click the <b>Pencil</b> tool (F6) and draw an ear. Fill colour: Pink, Stroke colour: Dark Pink, Width: 4px.	
Copy and paste the ear. Press the 'flip horizontal' tool (H) and position the ear correctly. Select both ears and move to the back using MENU: Object - Lower to Bottom	
Click the <b>Circle</b> tool (F5). Fill colour: Black, Stroke colour: White, Width 5px Draw 2 eyes	
Click the Draw Frehhand tool (F6) and draw eye brows	

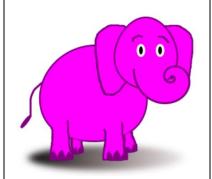
Click the <b>Circle</b> tool (F5). Draw a circle for the body.	
Select the Body.  MENU: Path - Object to Path (CTRL+SHIFT+C)	
Click the Path Node tool (F2)	
Flatten the bottom of the body	
Select the body and move to the back using MENU: Object - Lower to Bottom Position it so it looks good.	
Click the <b>Draw Freehand</b> tool (F6)tool to draw legs. You could draw one leg, and then copy and paste it, moving 2 of them to the back.  Draw a tail with a thicker end.	

Can you add a blurred shadow?

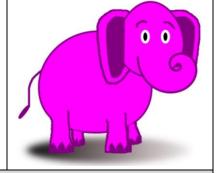
Add a black ellipse (F5) at the bottom and move it behind the rest of the image.

Fill with a radial gradient going from solid black at the center to partly transparent black at the margins.

Shift-Ctrl-F and add a LITTLE blur (10%) to the shadow.



Can you add the insides of the ears? Select an ear: Copy - Paste - Shrink - Fill



What other ideas do you have?...

