

REFLECTION

with Adobe® Photoshop®

Step 1

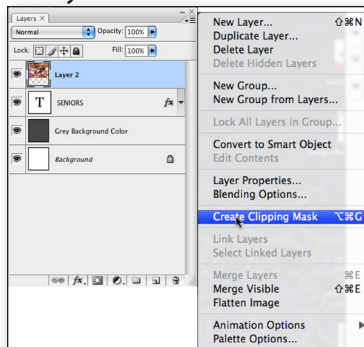
- » Create a new document and fill the background with a dark grey color.

Step 2

- » Add a type layer and type the text you want.
Large, bold fonts work best, in order to have the photo show through. You may need to stretch or distort (Cmd/Ctrl + T) the word to help achieve the desired effect. I've also added a stroke to the work Seniors by adding a Layer Effect - Stroke.

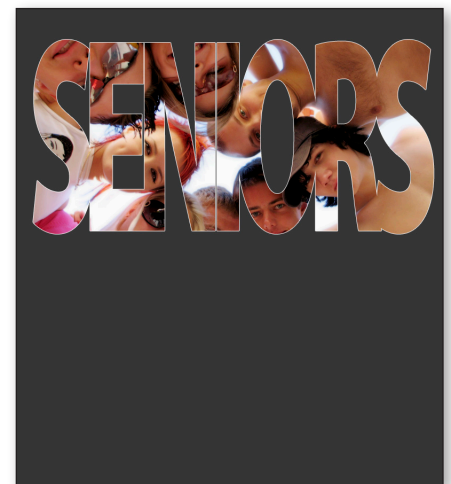
Step 3

- » Open the image you want to use and drag it to your new document with the Move tool (the first tool in the Tool Panel). It will create a new layer. Be sure this layer is on top of your text layer.
- » Select this layer in the Layers panel and click on the contextual menu and select Create Clipping Mask. The photo should now appear in your text.
You can move your photo around, make size adjustments or add adjustment layers just as normal.
- » Select both the photo layer and the type layer by holding the Shift key while you select them. From the contextual menu, choose New Group from Layers (you can give this any name you want).



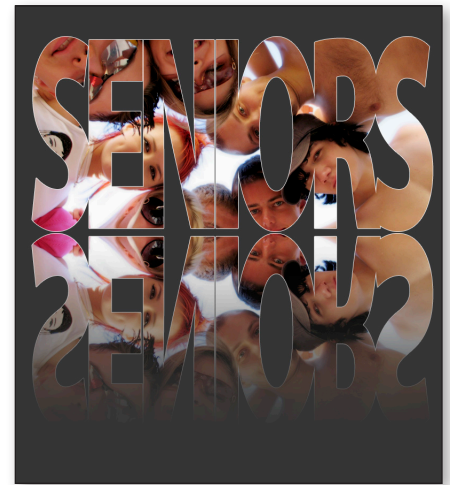
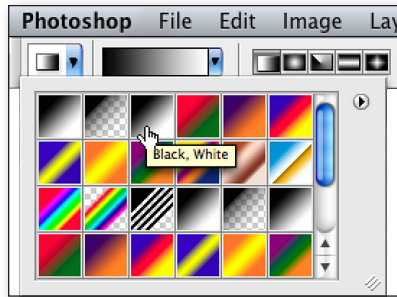
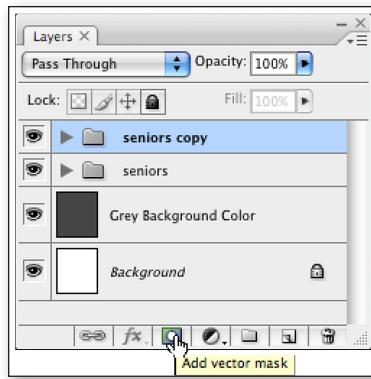
Step 4

- » Select the new group in the Layers panel and duplicate it by right-clicking (or clicking on the contextual menu) and choose Duplicate.
- » With the new group selected in the Layers Panel, hit Cmd/Ctrl + T to transform the group. Right-click and choose Flip Vertical. Hit Return/Enter to accept the transformations.
- » Now move this layer directly down until the bottom of the word is almost touching the bottom of the original word.



Step 5

- » Add a gradient mask to fade the duplicated copy. With the flipped layer group selected in the Layers panel, click on the Vector Mask icon at the bottom of the Layers panel.
- » Then select the gradient tool from the Tools panel, making sure the gradient in the Options bar is black to white.
- » Then click at the top of the flipped work (which would actually be the bottom of your design) and drag your cursor straight up to the bottom of the flipped word.



Step 6

- » Lower the opacity of the flipped group to about 30% by selecting that layer and changing the Opacity at the top of Layers panel.

