Type Cloud

Create an eye catching cloud of words that becomes part your title!

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Type the First Word

- Click on the Foreground Color Chip and choose the color you want for your type.

- Get the Horizontal Type tool.

- In the Options Bar, choose the Font and Size you want your words to be.

- Click on your page and type a word that relates in some way to your layout.

- Click on the check mark in the Options Bar to confirm the type.

Duplicate the First Word

- Press Ctrl J (Mac: Cmd J) to duplicate the type layer.

- Get the Move tool and uncheck Auto Select and Show Bounding Box in the Options Bar.

- Click and drag the word to a new location.

- Repeat the last three steps until you have a cloud of words that are grouped loosely together.

Repeat With More Words

- Get the Type tool and type a new word that relates to your layout.

- Duplicate and move as before. Do this with as many words as you wish. Make the center more dense with the outer words able to be read even though overlapping.

- When you're satisfied with the results, in the Layers panel click on the top type layer and Shift click on the bottom type layer to select them all.
- Press Ctrl E (Mac: Cmd E) to merge the type layers into one layer.

Punch Out A Letter

- Get the Type tool and choose a new font that is thick and a large size. I used Army Wide at 140 points.
- In the Options Bar, use the Color Box to choose a new contrasting color.
- Click once on the merged type cloud and type one letter.
- Click on the check mark in the Options Bar to confirm the type.
- Get the Move tool and move the letter into the center of your cloud.
- In the Layers panel Ctrl click (Mac: Cmd click) on the new type layer thumbnail to get a selection outline.
- In the Layers panel click and drag the type layer to the Trash.
- Press the Backspace or Delete key to cut the letter out of your cloud.
- Press Ctrl D (Mac: Cmd D) to deselect.

Link to the Video Lesson:

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