

Pen tool exercise

- 1. Draw a Star shape
 - a. Use the Polygon tool
 - b. Click to set the parameters of the star

Polygon	
Options Polygon <u>W</u> idth: 8p4 Polygon <u>H</u> eight: 8p4	OK Cancel
Polygon Settings <u>N</u> umber of Sides: <u>S</u> tar Inset:	78

- i. Star Inset to 40%
- ii. Number of sides to 5
- iii. Click OK
- c. Using the Selection tool (V) resize the shape to a larger size, if needed.
- d. Using the Control Panel
 - i. Set the fill color to: Yellow
 - ii. Set the stroke to: None.
- e. In the Layers Panel, expand the layer and click the empty box next the Eye icon to lock the sub-layer



- 2. Create the text
 - a. Use the Type tool (T)
 - b. Draw a text box and type the word STAR, in all caps.
 - i. Font: set to Gills Sans Ultra Bold
 - ii. Size: set to 60pt
 - c. Switch to the Selection Tool (V)
 - i. Main Menu/ Type/ Create Outlines
 - 1. This converts the Text into a shape that can be manipulated
 - ii. Move the text over the shape and scale it to fit into the shape



- 3. Redefine the shape text to fit the shape of the star
 - a. Use the Direct Selection tool (A) to move some of the anchor points into key positions
 - b. Use the Pen tool to add or remove anchor points
 - c. Use the Convert Point tool (Shift C) to add or remove curves on the path