

CUBISM - ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

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CUBISM AND PRODUCTS

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DIAGRAM 'A'

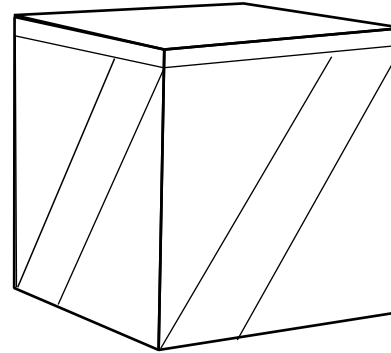


DIAGRAM 'B'

Many products have their design origins in the art movement called 'CUBISM'. The table seen opposite is of cubist design because it's frame fits inside a cuboid, even the legs fit inside it.

A cuboid has been drawn over the outline of the table (diagram 'A') and the outline of the legs has been added. The intersecting lines form geometrical shapes such as squares and triangles. When the outline is drawn again (diagram 'B'), characteristics of cubism can be seen clearly. These include geometrical shapes, interlocking shapes and minimal use of colour/texture.

Draw straight lines, over the shapes / forms of the products below (see diagram 'A' for guidance). The resulting shapes will confirm whether or not, each product has it's design based on cubist characteristics.



What do you think of cubism as a way of designing the shapes and forms of products? Explain your answer.
