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**Level:** Intro to Graphic Communications

**Program:** Adobe Illustrator

**Test:** Alter Ego - Vector Art

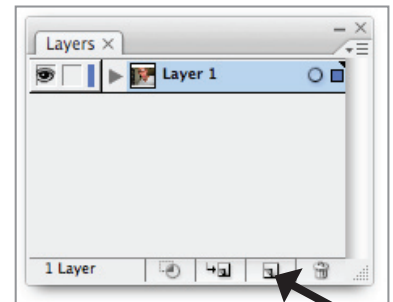
**Objective:** Demonstrate ability to use the pen tool in Adobe Illustrator to trace an object and fill with colors.

**Directions:** Following the steps below. Using the pen tool in Adobe Illustrator, each student will trace their own photo in and fill in the different shapes with color.

**How would you dress your alter ego?**

1. Launch Illustrator. Create a new document - 11" x 8.5" and save this file in your Illustrator folder as AlterEgo\_your initials.ai (REMINDER: keep file extensions on all file names when saving.)
2. Place your photo that is located in your Illustrator folder on this new document.
3. Open the Layers panel - Go to WINDOW – LAYERS. The panel should look like the one to the right. Your photo is on "Layer 1." Click on the box next to the EYE to LOCK the layer. A small lock will appear.

4. Create a new layer. Click on the button indicated on the layers panel to the right. A new layer will appear in the Layers panel named Layer 2.
5. Rename Layer 2 by double-clicking on the name and then typing *Your Name*.
6. Useful Tip: Use the EYE to turn visibility off and on while working on the file so you can check your progress.
7. Use the pen tool to recreate yourself as a clip art graphic (vector art). Draw a **CLOSED** path around each item: pants, face, eyes, etc... Some instances of the art does not have to be a closed path just a simple line. Fill each item in with color. You may use the eye dropper tool to help you pick colors up from your photo.
8. Turn the EYE off in layer 1 so that you can not see your photo anymore.
9. Copy the new clip art graphic of you and paste right next to it. Make sure that both fit on the page.



**Create a new layer.**

10. **ALTER EGO:** Give the 2nd You a new look: cowboy, superhero, geek... Change the shoes, add glasses, put a dress on, etc. *How would you dress your alter ego?*
11. At the bottom of the page, type your name and date.
12. Print to the color printer and turn in with this grade sheet.
13. Answer the follow up questions below:

How was the layers panel useful to you during this project?

What type of file are you creating in Adobe Illustrator?

What is the file extension for Illustrator files?

## Grade Checklist *(Each Yes Response is worth 10 points)*

	No	Yes
Each item was created using the pen tool with skill (no bumpy lines) .....	_____	_____
Each item that should have color was filled with color .....	_____	_____
Effort demonstrated .....	_____	_____
Alter Ego created to demonstrate effective use of the pen tool .....	_____	_____
Name and Date typed at bottom of page .....	_____	_____
Follow Up Questions on back answered with thoughtful effort .....	_____	_____

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_/60