

INTRODUCTION

TINKERCAD

FOR TEACHERS



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INTRODUCTION

This document presents the Educators' Guide for Tinkercad, which is going to be used in the Erasmus+ project 2023-1-EL01_KA220-SCH-000155463 "Climate Change and Natural Disasters Awareness Raising using Virtual Worlds" (VR4Clima). It is developed in the scope of the work package 3 (WP3: VR Course A3.1 VR Course) of the project.

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VR4Clima project aims to raise awareness in students about climate change and sustainable development. Students' actions and choices can mitigate the climate change from which their countries and local communities have suffered so much. During the project, a sustainable school yard design will be proposed by students. This project aims in using VR and 3d Design in education. Students will learn about serious gaming and will create 3d models themselves. Teachers will have the chance to embed 3d design and Virtual Reality in their classes.

The results of this project will be a 3d game on sustainability and climate change mitigation and school reports about students' choices. Also, 10 animation videos and a chart mapping microclimates. Two VR Courses will be delivered (for Primary and Secondary Education). There, students will design their sustainable school yard and will be able to count it's carbon footprint. Then, they will import their design in Virtual Reality and invite their peers inside their Virtual World. Online workshops for teachers will be organized, to help them embed this technology in their classes. A school contest will invite students all over Europe to submit their designs of sustainable school yards. A report on how to embed this approach in school curricula will also be done and all designs will be uploaded to a Virtual World.

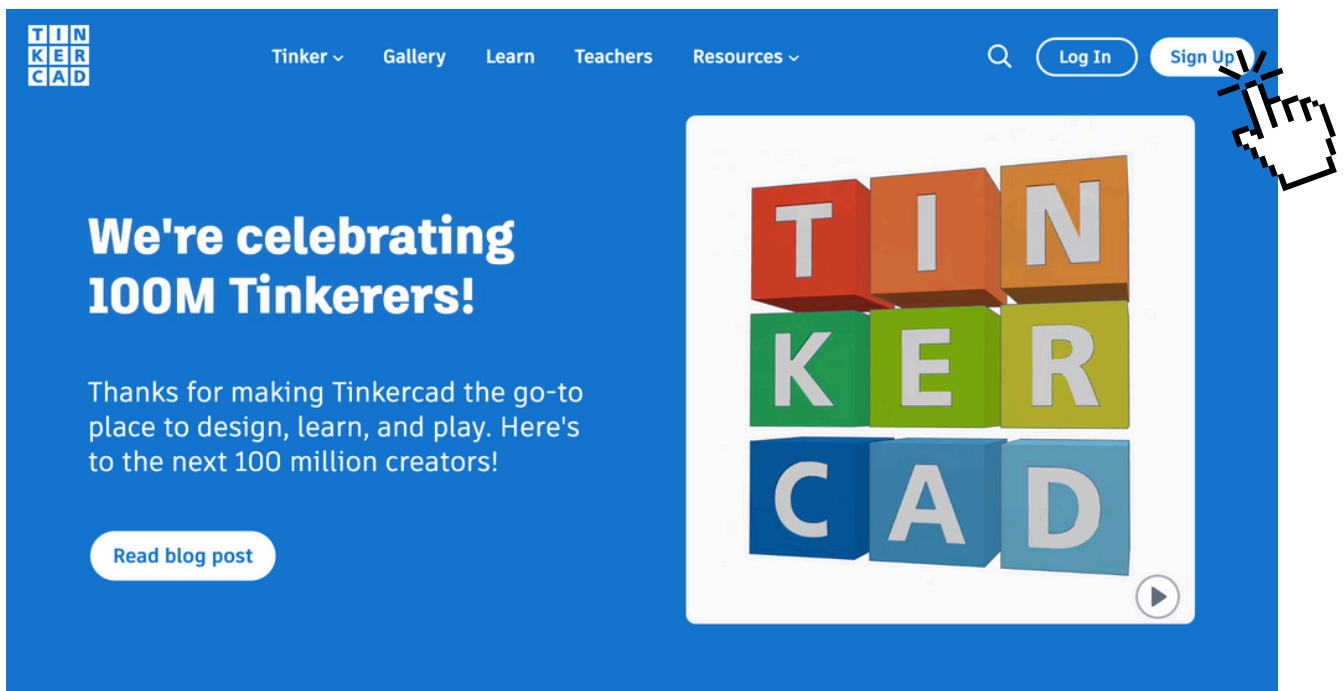
The Educators' Guide for Tinkercad aims to assist educators of Primary and Secondary Education deliver a Tinkercad course in their classes and have their students design a 3d sustainable element. The students will export the design from Tinkercad and insert it in their Virtual World in CoSpaces.



CREATING AN ACCOUNT IN TINKERCAD

Go to

Click on the **Sign Up** button.



Tinkercad is a free web app for 3D design, electronics, and coding, trusted by over 100 million people around the world.

Build STEM confidence by bringing project-based learning to the classroom.

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Free for everyone



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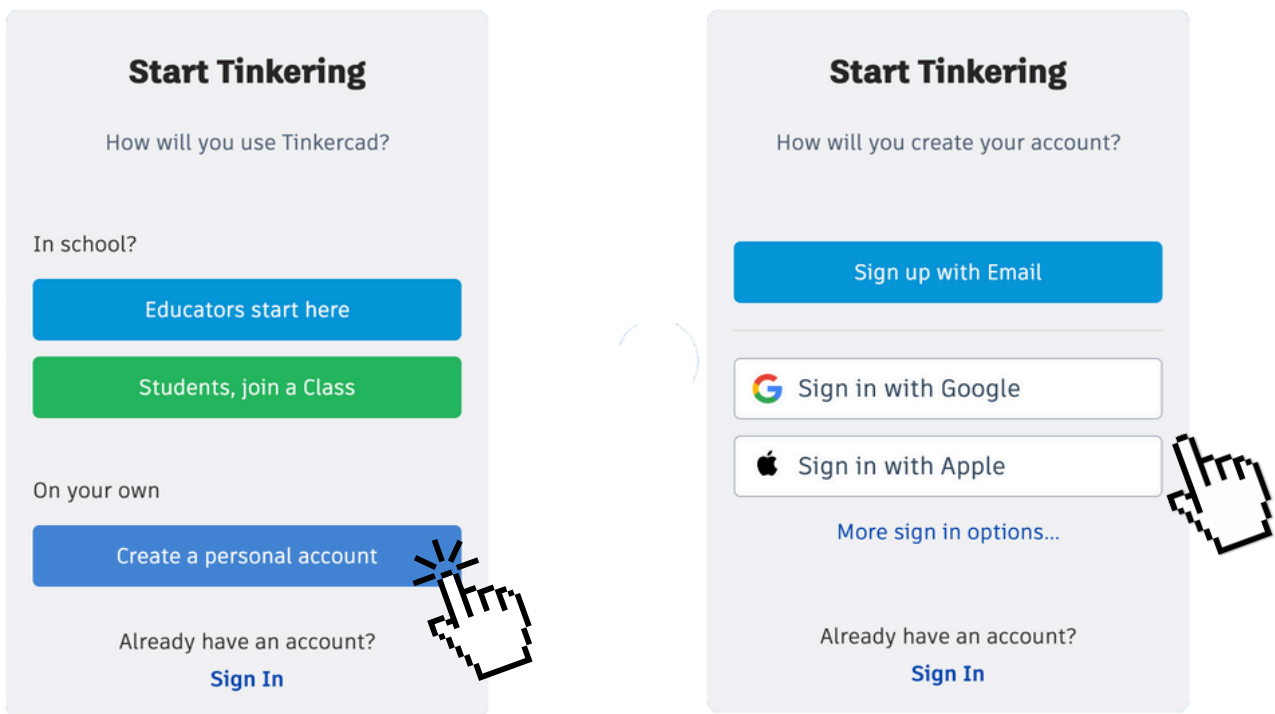


Safe for all ages

CREATING AN ACCOUNT IN TINKERCAD

Click on to **Create personal account**.

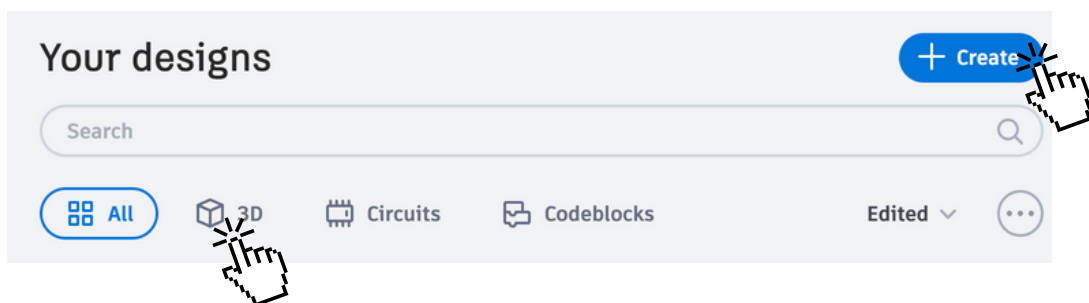
Select a way to sign up, eg. sign in with Google



Follow further steps to create the account.

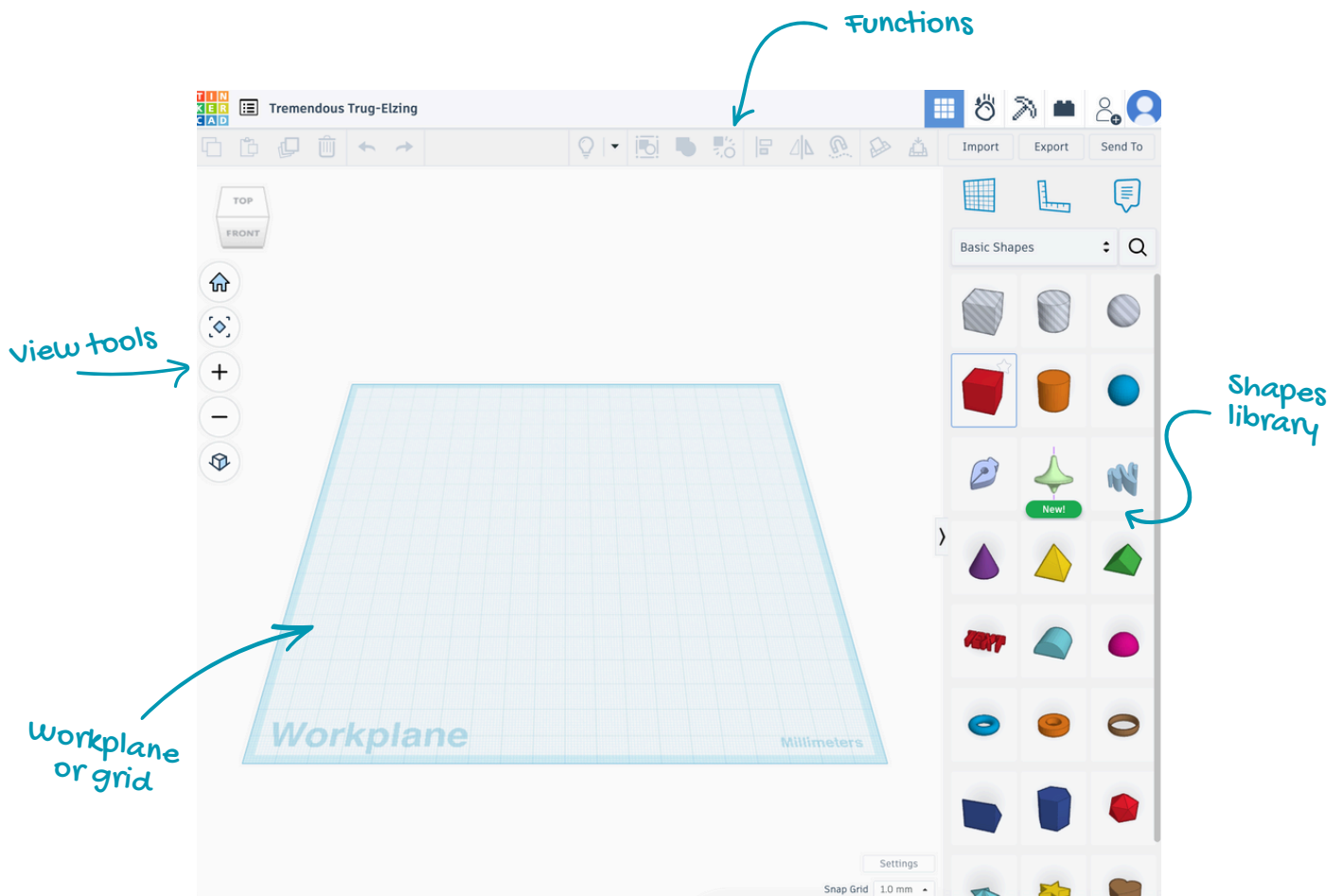
Once in Tinkercad **Home page**, click **Create** button and choose to create your first  **3D Designs**

Or, on the left side menu go to **Designs**, and from there chose to create 3D.









There is Tinkercad's [Help Center](#) If you get stuch at this point or If you have further questions.

ONCE INSIDE TINKERCAD...



Functions

	Show all	Ctrl + Shift + H	It shows all hidden shapes
	Group	Ctrl + G	Groups two or more shapes together. You select the shapes clicking Ctrl + each one of them and then you click the group tool.
	Ungroup	Ctrl + Shift + G	Ungroups the shapes that have been grouped together
	Align	L	Aligns two or more objects in the 3 dimensions, so that each one is positioned in the center or one of its edges
	Mirror	M	Reflects an object in the x, y or z axes.
	Cruise	C	First select the shape and by clicking Cruise you can place it on top of any surface in your design.

Note: When grouping two or more shapes together, the shape that is created has one color. If the grouped shapes had different colors and you wish to keep their original color, you click on its color and instead of solid, you select Multicolor.

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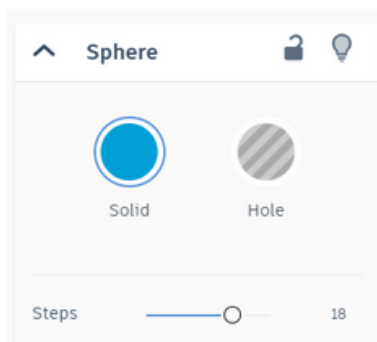
View tools

	View cube		Left click on it and see one object from different angles
	Home view		Brings you back to the first view when you open the project
	Fit all in view	F	Focuses on the specific object you have selected
	Zoom in	+	Zooms in (you can also use the mouse wheel)
	Zoom out	-	Zooms out (you can also use the mouse wheel)
	Orthographic view		Offers a more natural, bird's eye look at the model

Editing tools

	Copy	Ctrl + C	Copies the selected object
	Paste	Ctrl + V	Pastes the selected object
	Duplicate and repeat	Ctrl + D	It remembers your previous action. When you use it, it pastes the selected object but also performs your previous action on it.
	Delete	Delete	Deletes the selected object
	Undo	Ctrl + Z	Undos your last action
	Redo	Ctrl + Y	Redos what you undid.

Tools for shapes



If you click on the lock button, it locks editing, so you cannot change the dimensions of the shape.

If you click on the bulb button, your shape is hidden. To make it visible again you click on the *Show All* button on the main menu.

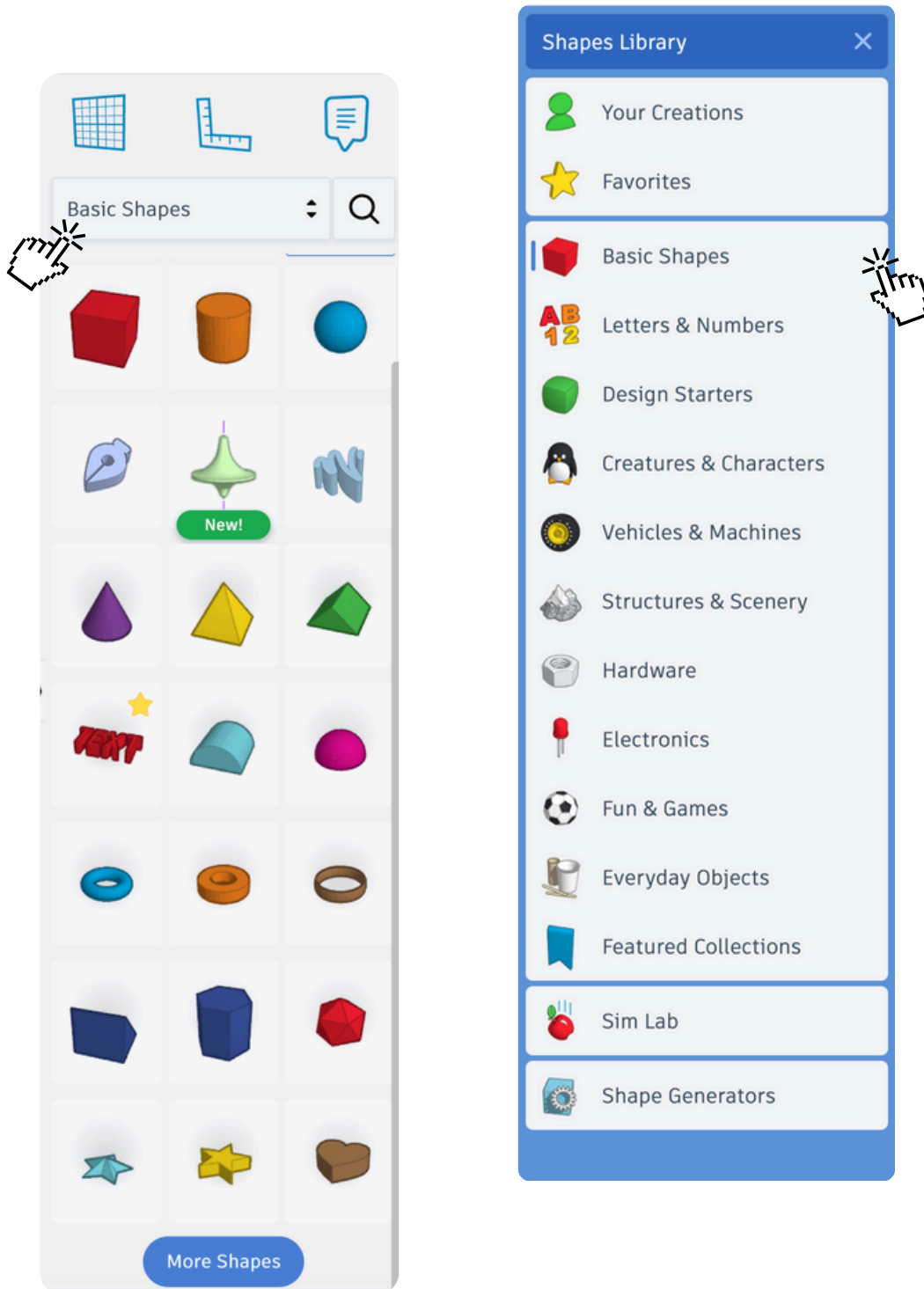
If you click the Hole button your shape will become transparent. If you group it with another shape, the common space of the 2 items will disappear, leaving a hole in this place.

Steps define how smooth your object is. The more the steps, the smoother your object is but also the "heavier it gets".

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Shapes library

You can choose between several groups of shapes.



In the next chapter we will see how to edit and use them.

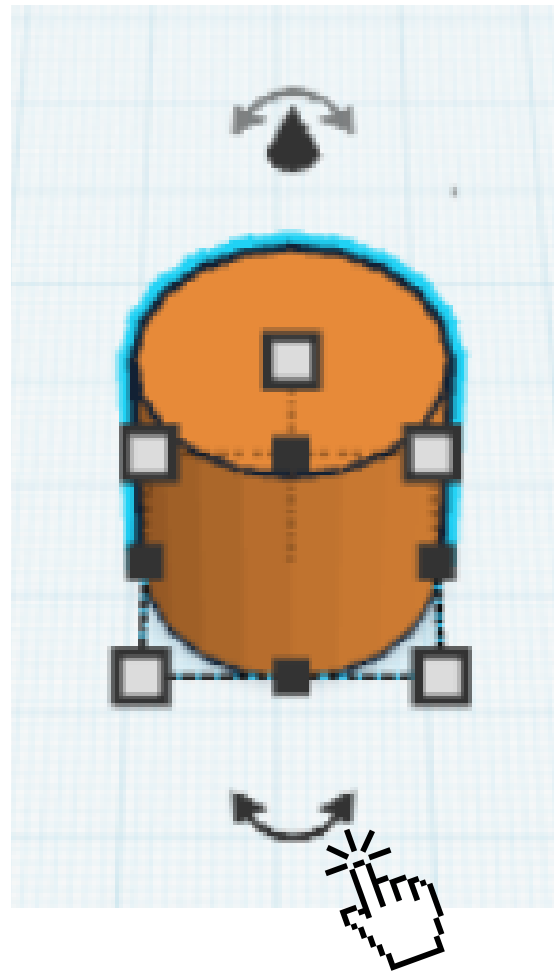
EDITING SHAPES IN TINKERCAD

When you click on a shape, these black and white dots appear alongside it.

If you drag the white dots by clicking your left mouse button, width and length change simultaneously. NB the white dot in the middle changes only one dimension, the height of the object.

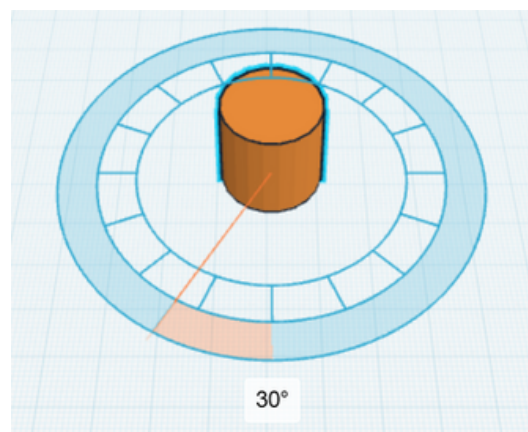
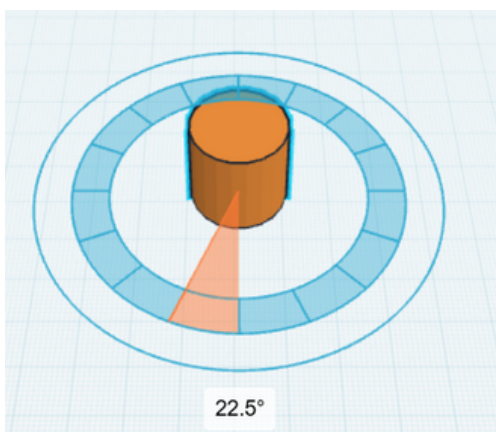
By dragging the black dots you change width or length.

If you want to lift the shape up or down you drag the black cone above the shape. To position it back on the workplane, you click D.



You can rotate the shape in 3 dimensions using the semi circles.

If you click on the inner cycle the rotation step is 22.5° . In the outer cycle the rotation step is 1° .

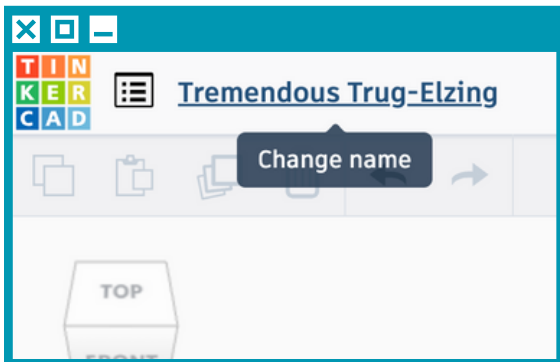


LET'S CREATE OUR FIRST PROJECT!

Once in Tinkercad Home page, click

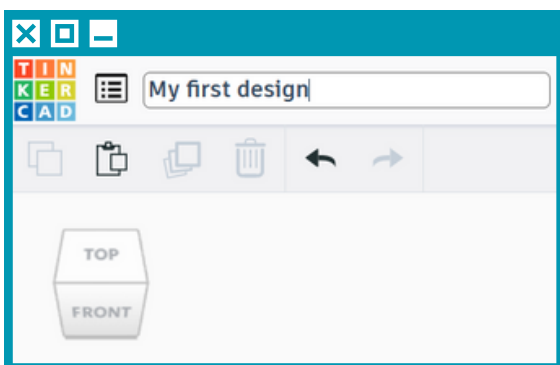
 + Create

We will create a simple house.

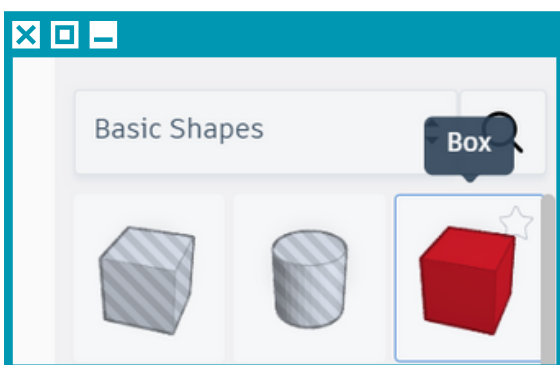


First you change the name of your project.

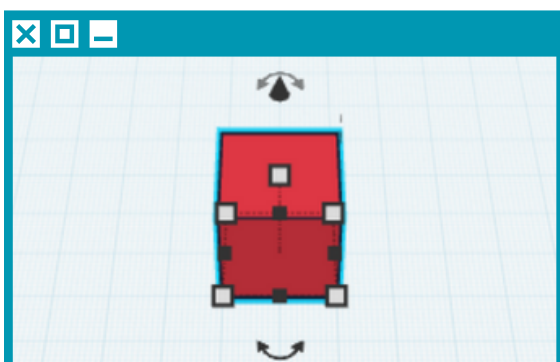
Click on the random name given by *Tinkercad*.



Fill in the name of your project.

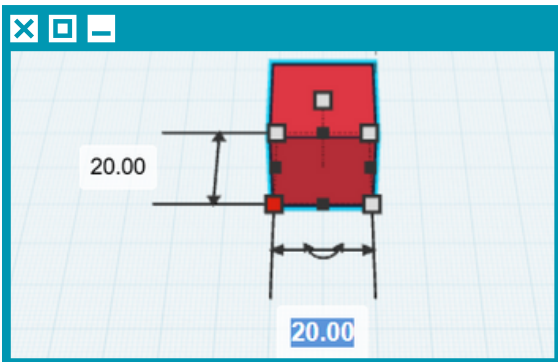


Select the **box** shape from the library of basic shapes on the right.

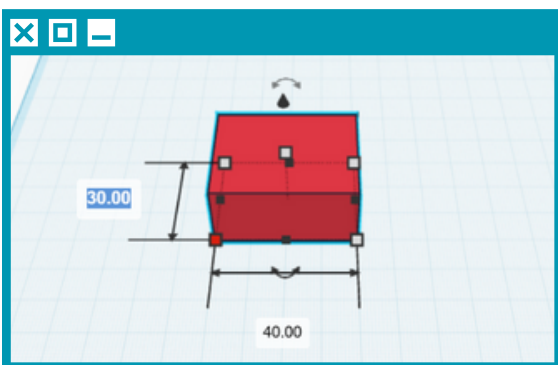


Drag and drop it in the workplane (using the left mouse button).

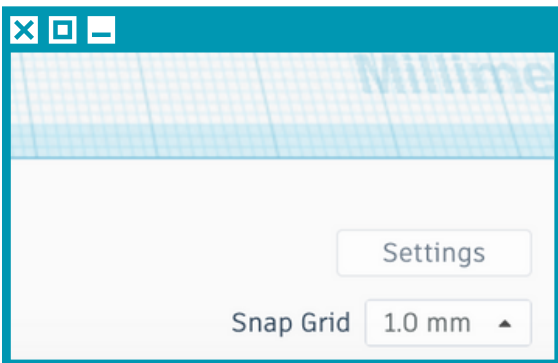
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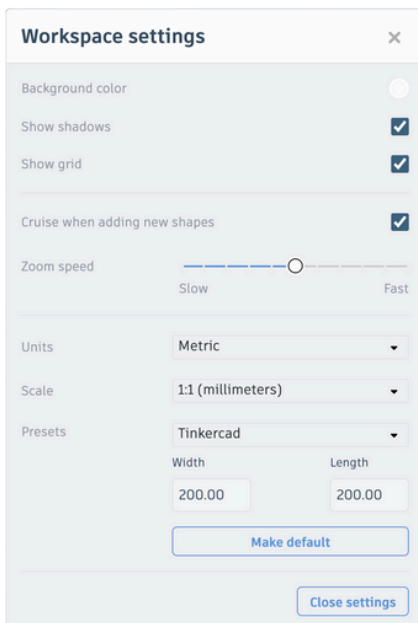
Click on the object in order to change its dimensions.



You can drag the white or black squares until you reach these dimensions or click on one white square and add the dimensions manually (suggested). Make width 40 mm and length 30 mm.

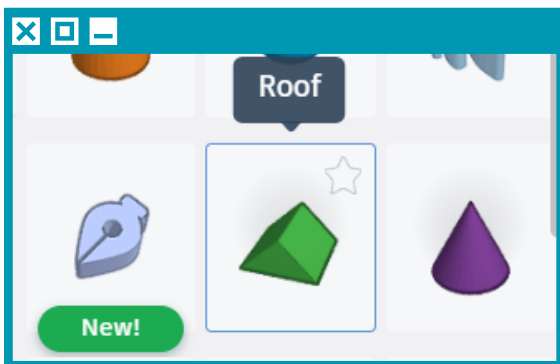


If you wonder why it is measured in mm, go to the settings button on the bottom right corner of your workplane

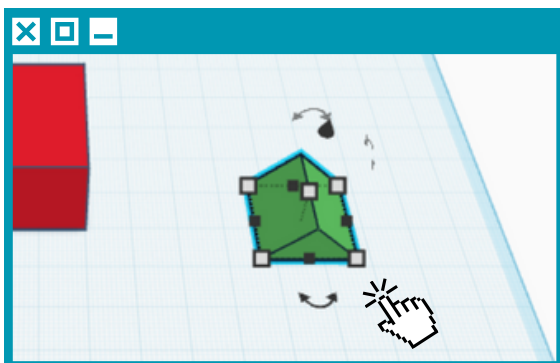


You can see that the units are mm. You can change it to inches if you wish. All your dimensions will be converted to inches.

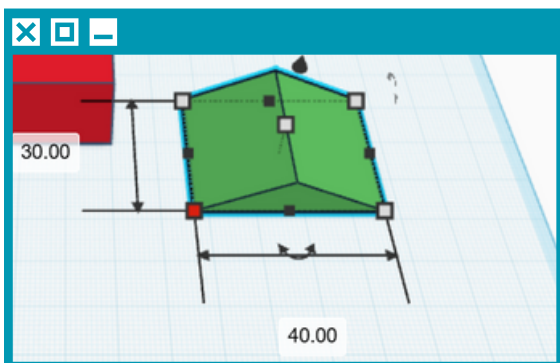
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Select the **roof** shape and drag and drop it to your workplane, next to the box.



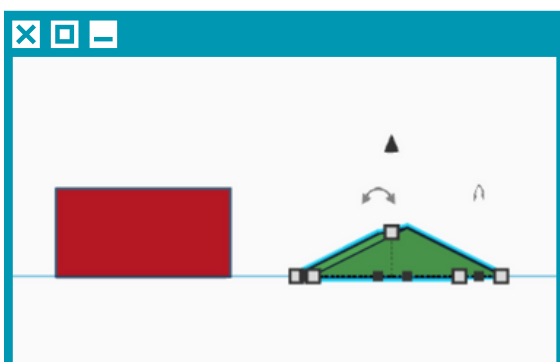
Click on it to change its dimensions.



The dimensions should be the same as the house if we want this to fit to the box completely.

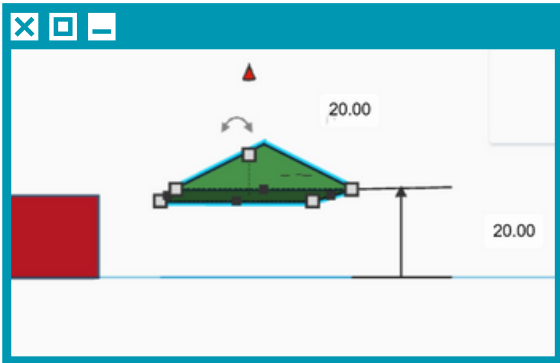


Click on the front side of your view cube.



You now see the front side of your design. You have to lift the roof at the height of the box, which is 20 mm since we haven't changed it

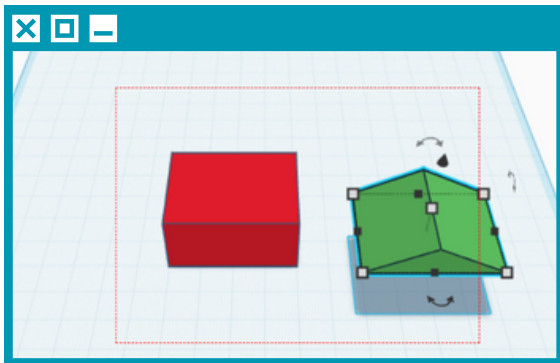
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This shot shows you that you have lifted the Roof 20 mm.

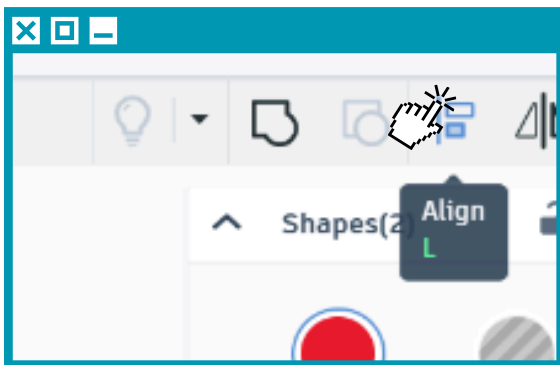


Click home view in your view menu to get back to your initial view.



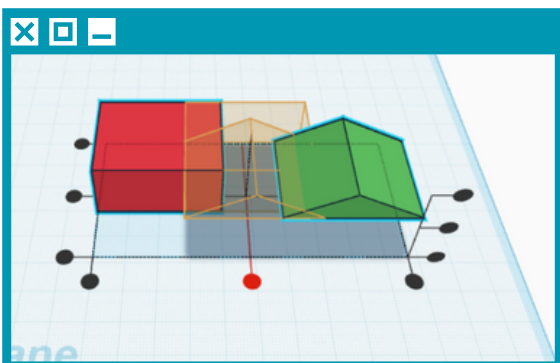
Select the two shapes by placing your mouse on the top right side next to the box and drag it until the bottom right side of the roof.

Another way to select more than one objects is to select the first and then Ctrl + Click each of the rest.



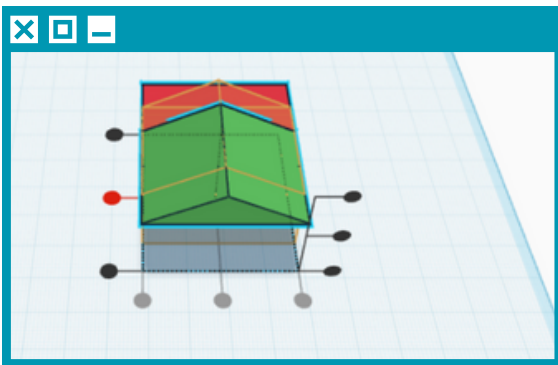
The two shapes have been selected.

Click on the align tool on the top right of your screen.

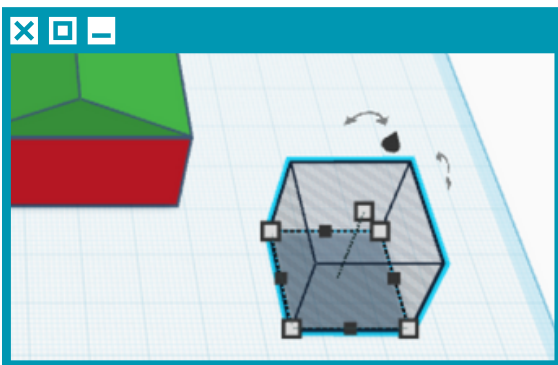


Click on the front middle cycle to select it. The items will be aligned in the middle. You can see the final result in transparency.

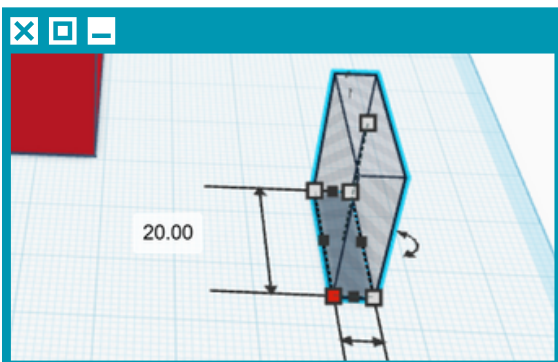
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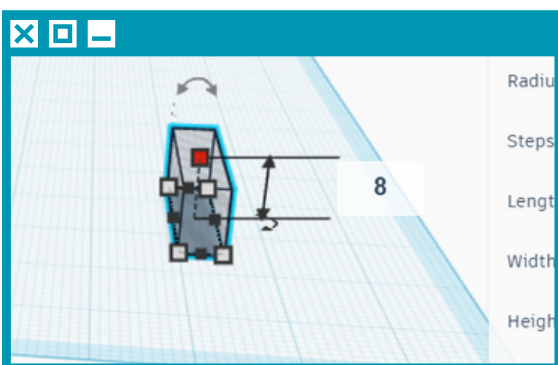
Click on the side middle circle to select it. The shapes will be aligned in the side middle.



Once you have aligned the two shapes drag a hole box in your workplane. You are going to shape the door of the house with it.

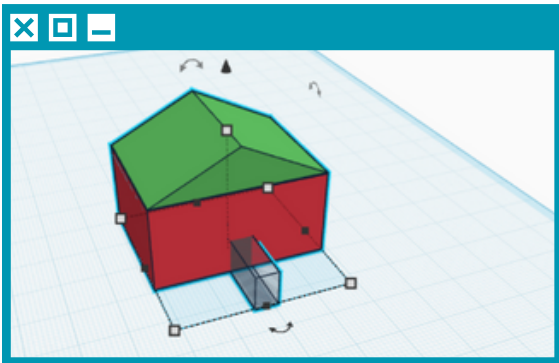


Change the width to 5 mm or more, if you wish your door to be wider.

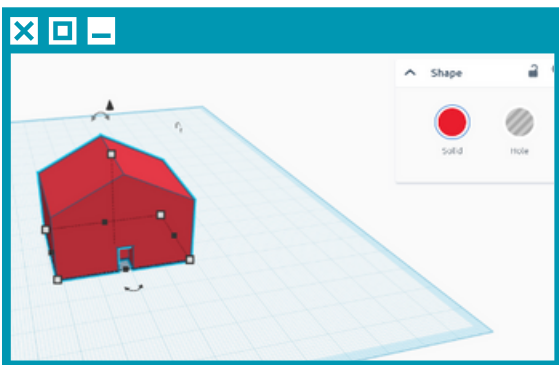


Change the height to 8 mm or more, if you wish your door to be taller.

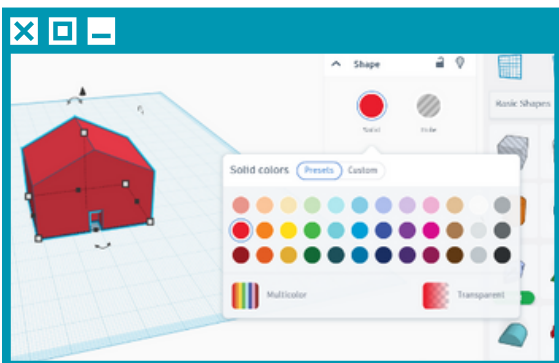
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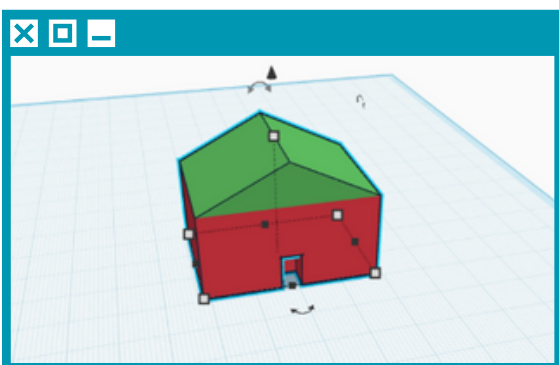
Place the hole shape on the point where you wish the door to be.



Select the tree shapes and group them together. You will notice that the grouped shape is monochromus.



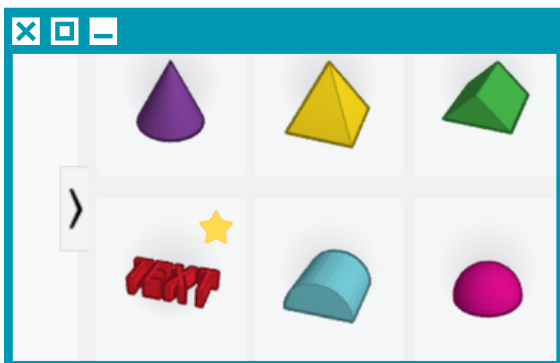
If you wish to retain the original colors click on the solid color and select multicolor.



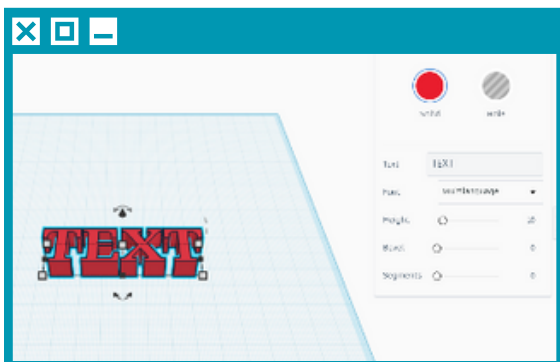
*Here you are!
Congratulations on
building your first house!*

WORKING WITH TEXT AND CUSTOM SHAPES

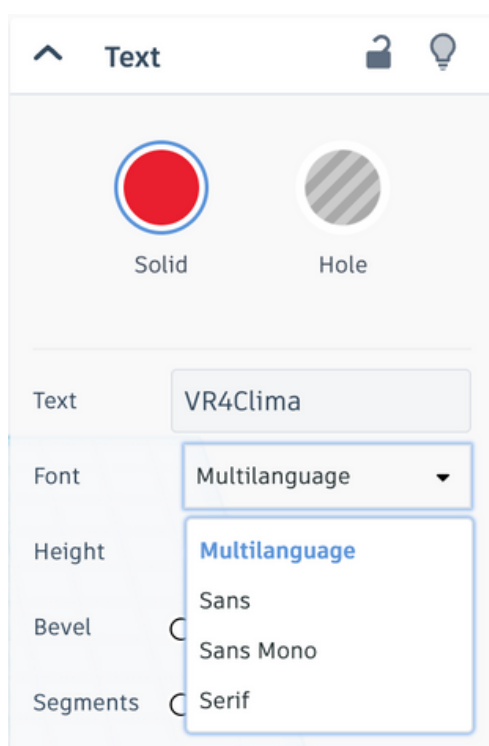
The Text tool is easy to use when you want to create 3D texts



Select the **text** tool from the library of shapes and drag it at the workplane.



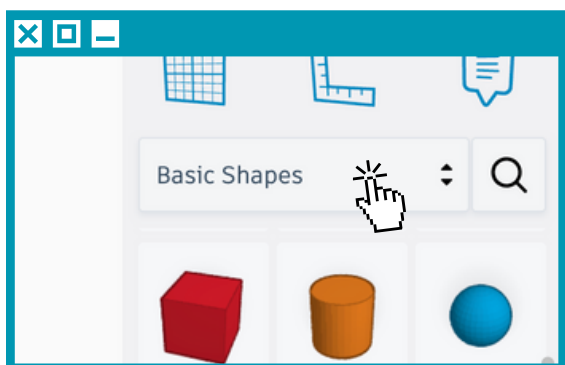
When you click on it - pop up window will open and you can change the text to your own.



Here's our choice.

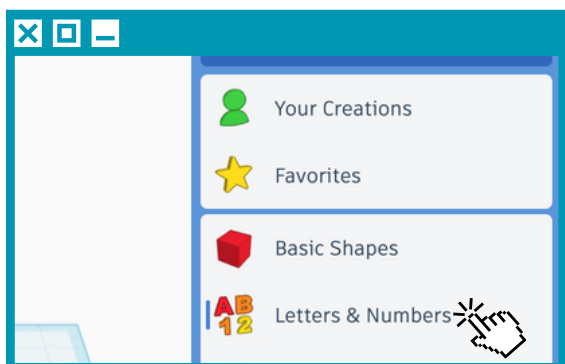
You can choose the fonts you prefer.

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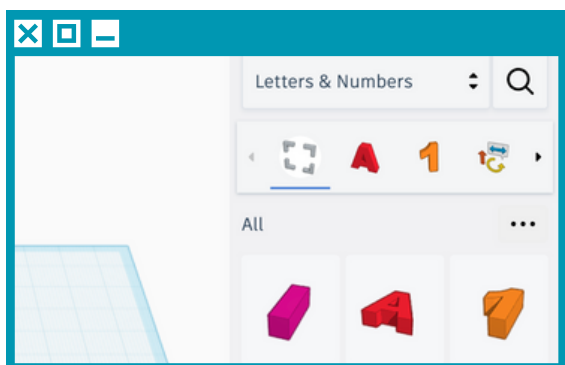


You can choose individual letters from shapes as well.

You go to the shapes library.



Select option for letters and numbers.



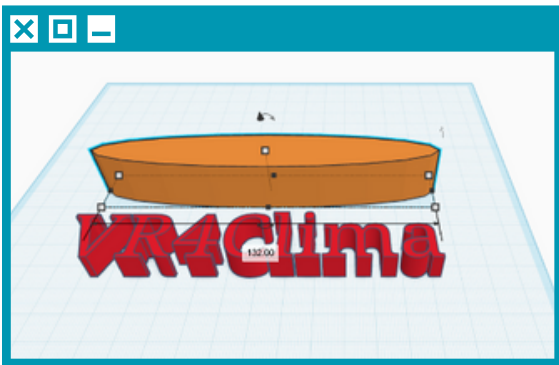
You can choose from a variety of letters and numbers.

LET'S CREATE A SIGN

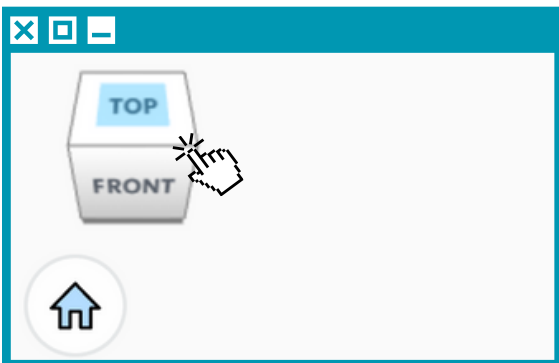
Drag the text sign inside the workplane and write the text you wish.



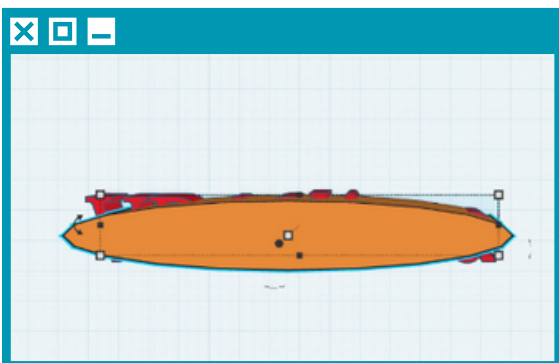
Insert a **cylinder** in the workplane, next to your text.



Drag the edges of the cylinder so that it is long enough to cover the text.

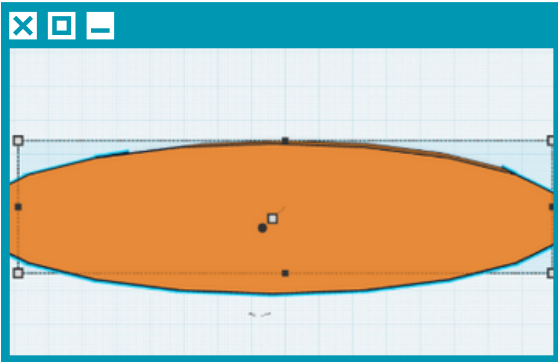


Click the top side of your view cube.



Place the cylinder above your text.

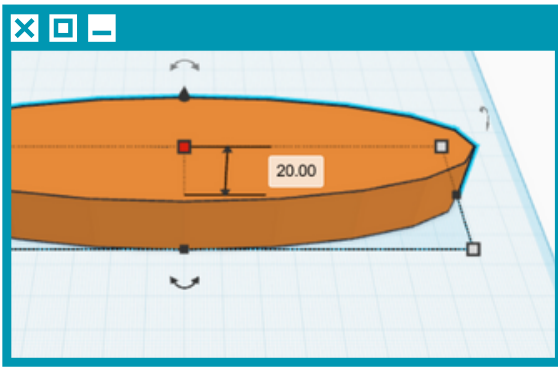
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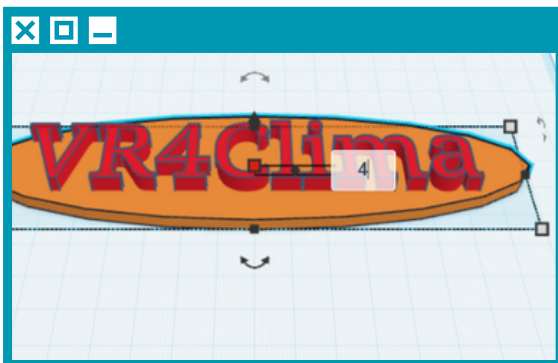
Drag the sides of the cylinder so that the text is covered completely.



Click home view in your view menu to get back to your initial view.



Click on the middle white square of the cylinder to select the height.



Select the height of your cylinder, so that the text is visible and clear.

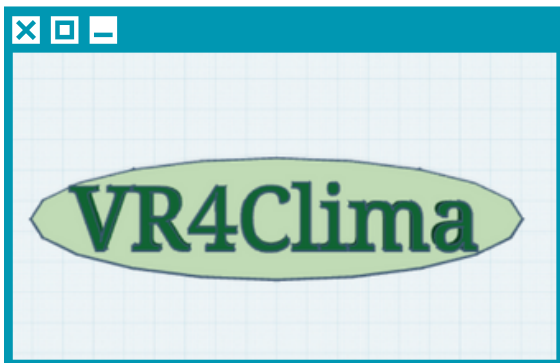


Click on the top side of your view cube.

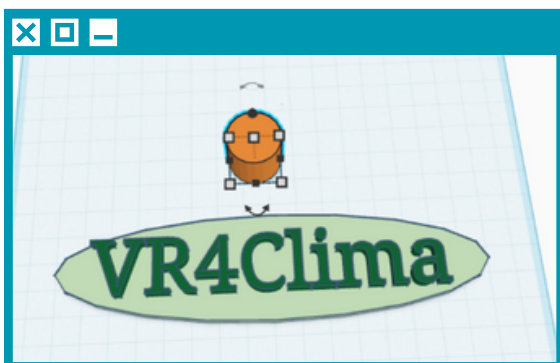


Select the colors you like for your text and cylinder.

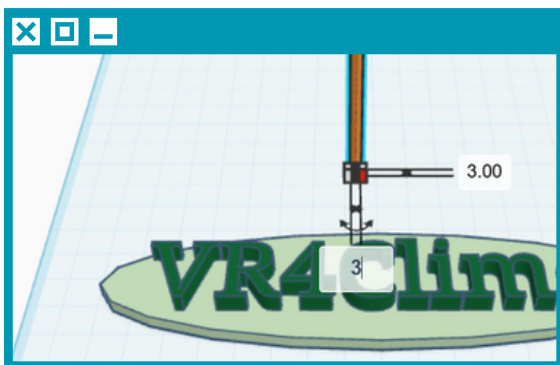
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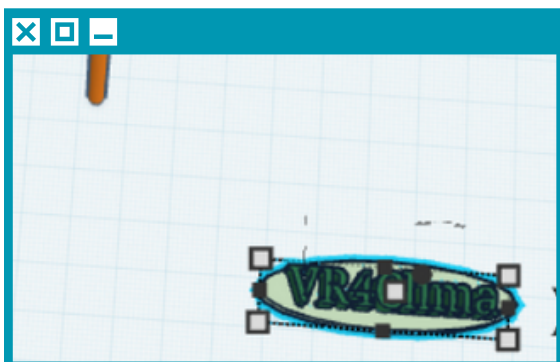
It should look like this.



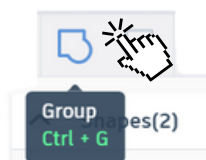
Next, drag a cylinder next to your sign.



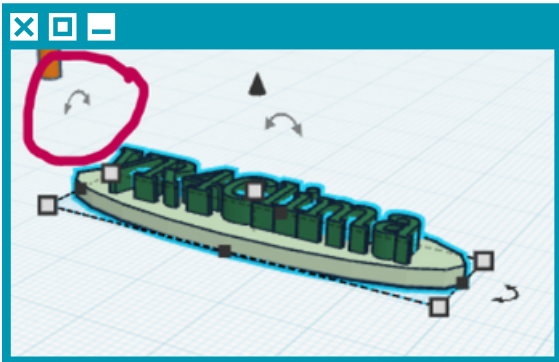
Drag the height of your cylinder as much according to how tall you wish your sign to be.



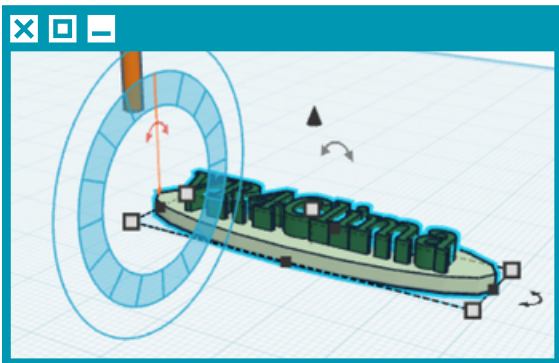
Select the two first shapes either by right clicking your mouse and making a rectangle above them or by left clicking the first and then Ctrl + Click the second. Then group the shapes together.



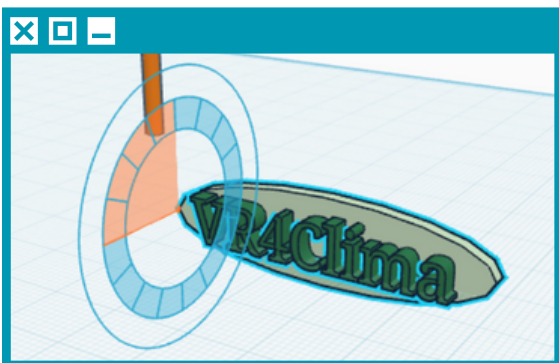
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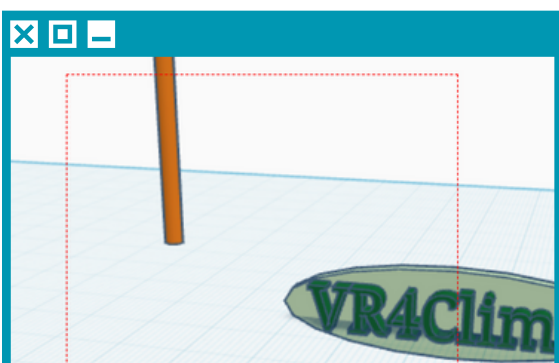
You want to rotate the sign so that it is faced forward. You have to select the correct dimension to rotate.



Use the inner side that is scaled to $22,5^\circ$.

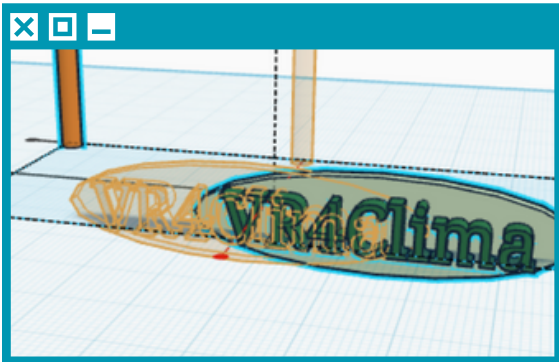


Rotate it by 90° .

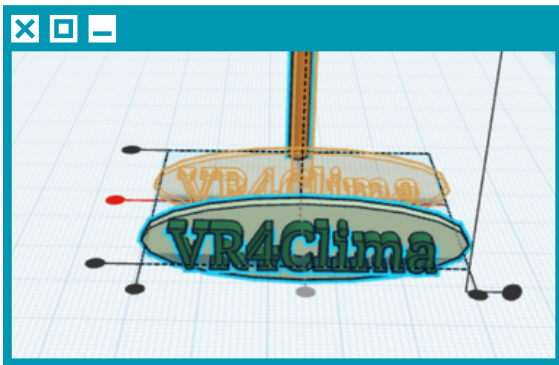


Select the second cylinder and the sign.

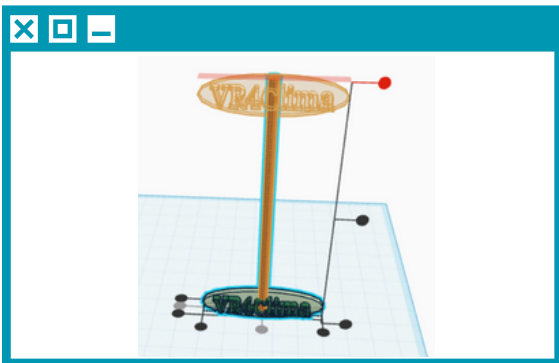
LET'S CREATE A SIGN



Align them in the middle from the front side.

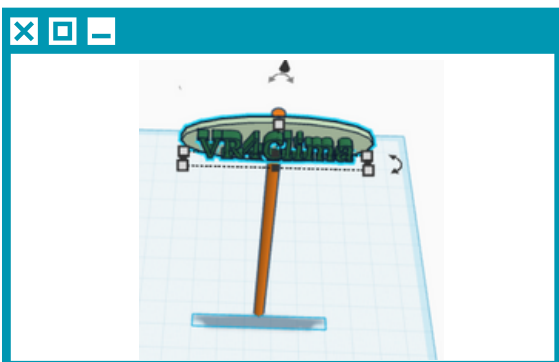


And from the side.



Last, align on the top of the height.

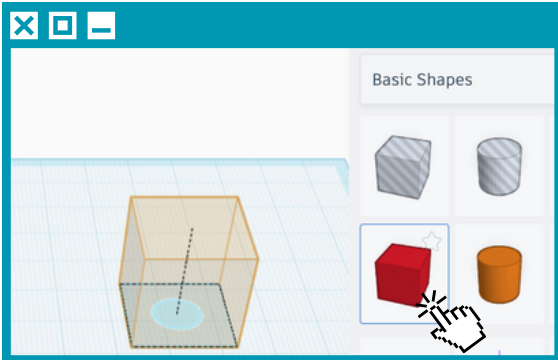
You have to click 3-4 times the down arrow so that the sign comes in front of the second cylinder.



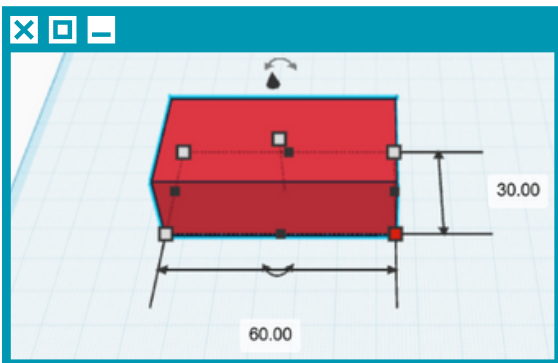
*Congratulations!
You have created your
first sign!*

LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE!

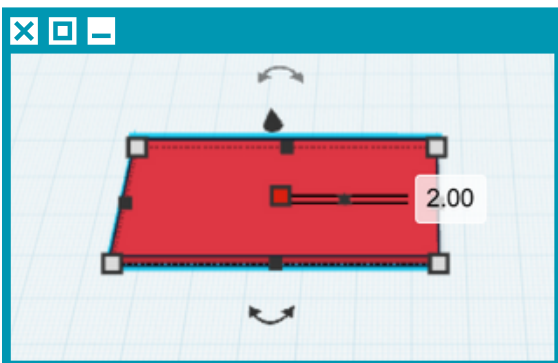
In this example we are going to use the "Duplicate and Repeat" function in a different than usual way.



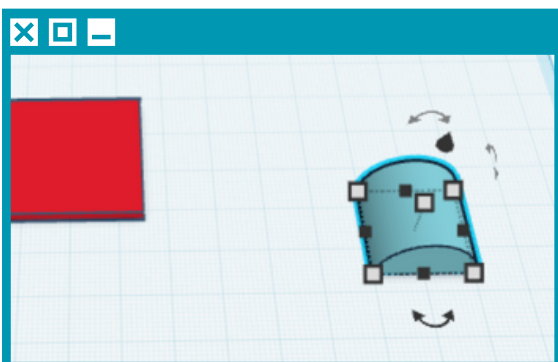
Insert a cube **box** inside your workplane.



Change the dimensions of length to 30 mm, and width to 6 mm.

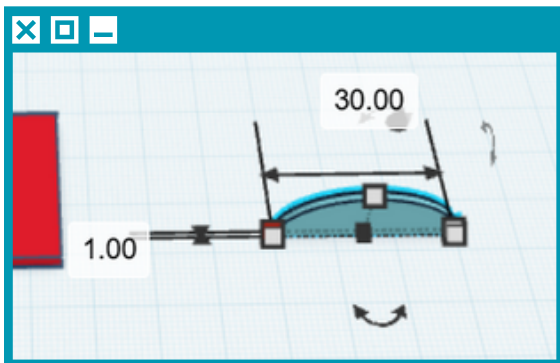


Then change height to 2 mm.

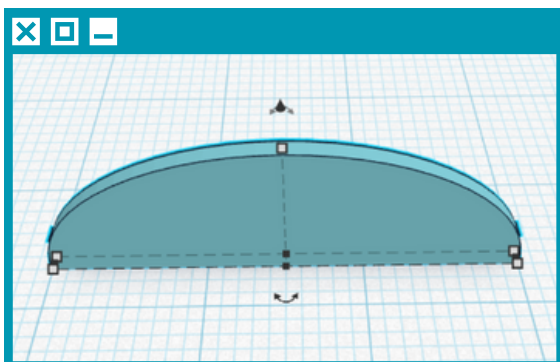


Insert a **round roof** from basic shapes.

LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE



Change its width to 30 mm, and length to 1 mm.

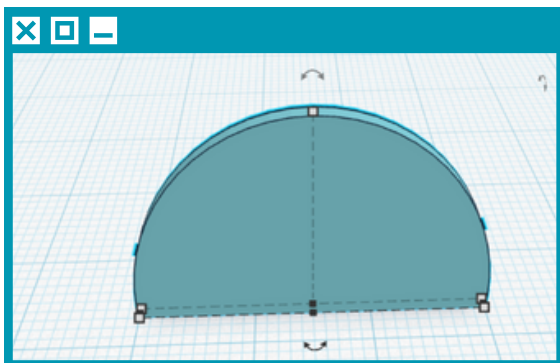


And then height to 20 mm.

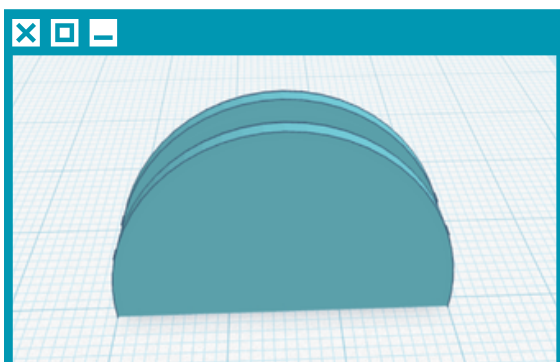


Duplicate and repeat
Ctrl + D

Click to duplicate and repeat or click Ctrl+D.

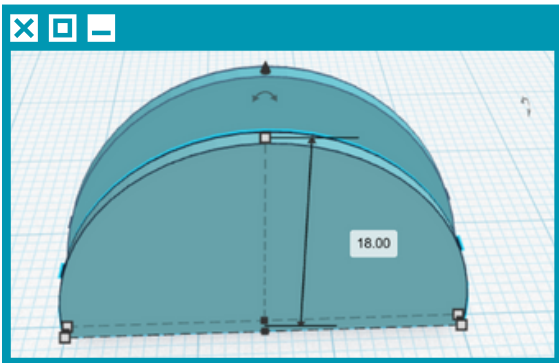


Now you have two similar shapes one on top of the other.

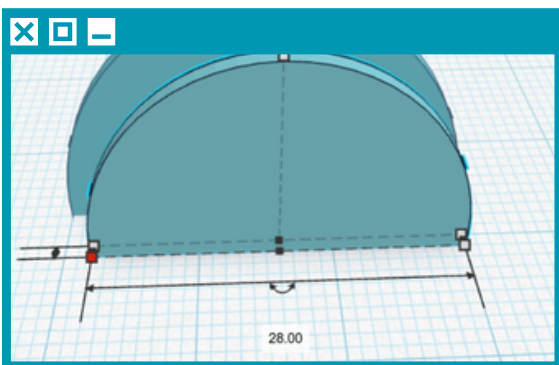


Bring one on front by clicking the down arrow of your keyboard a couple of times.

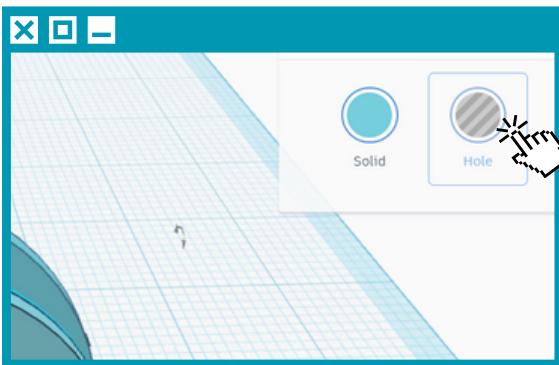
LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE



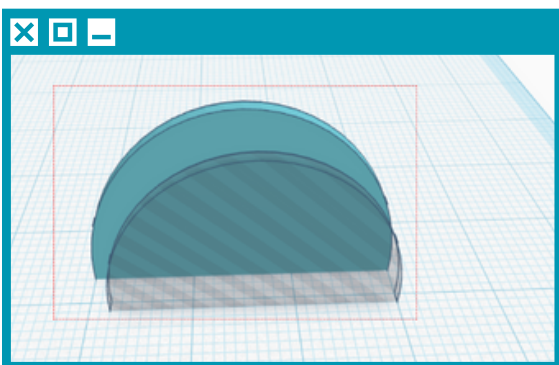
Change the height to 18 mm.



Change width to 28 mm.



Make the one with the reduced size a hole.

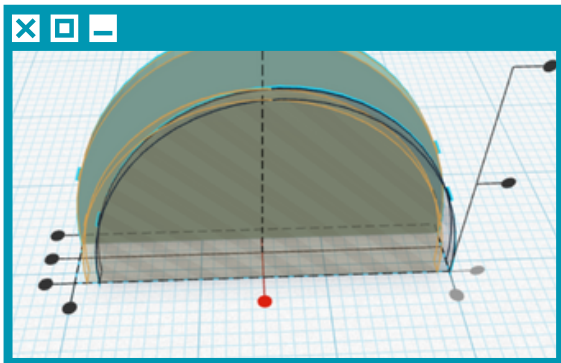


And select the two shapes by making a rectangle selection by left clicking your mouse button.

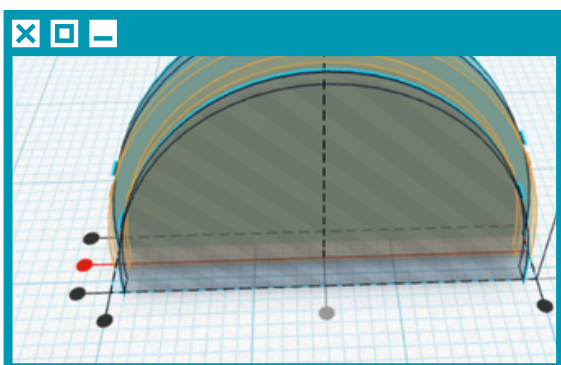


Now that both shapes are selected, you will align them.

LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE



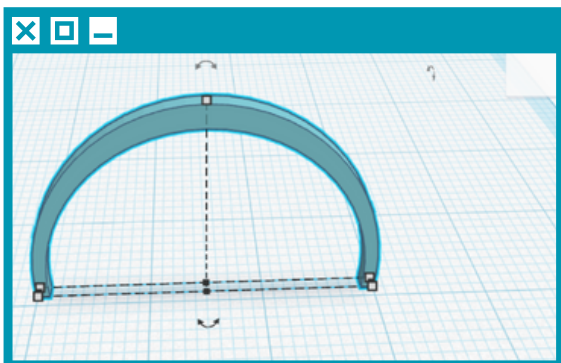
On the middle of the width.



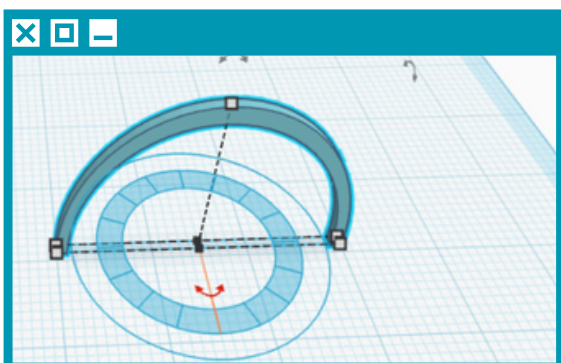
And the middle of the length.



Then group them.

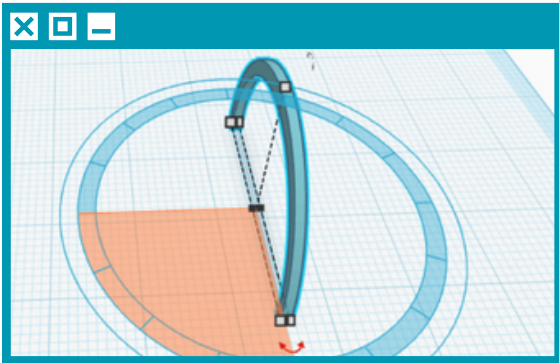


And you get a semicircular support beam for your greenhouse.

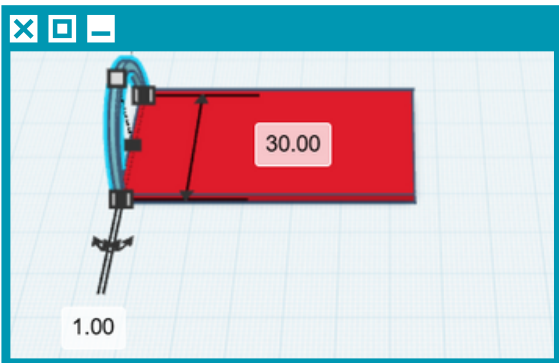


Rotate it in the correct direction.

LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE



Rotate it by 90°.

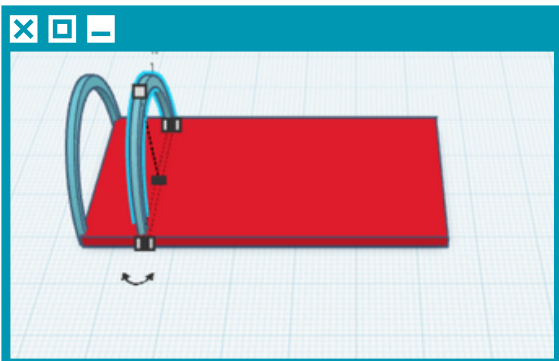


Place it at the left side of your red shape.



Duplicate and repeat
Ctrl + D

Click to duplicate and repeat.

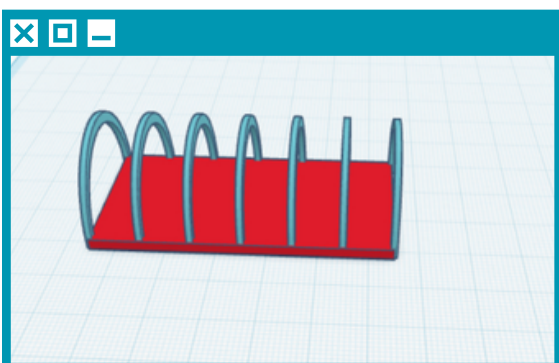


Using the arrow keys, place the second beam in a distance from the first.



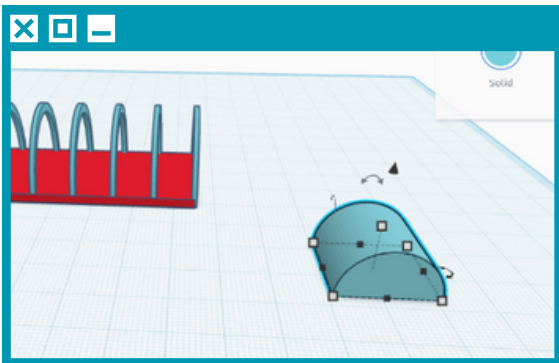
Duplicate and repeat
Ctrl + D

Click to duplicate and repeat again.

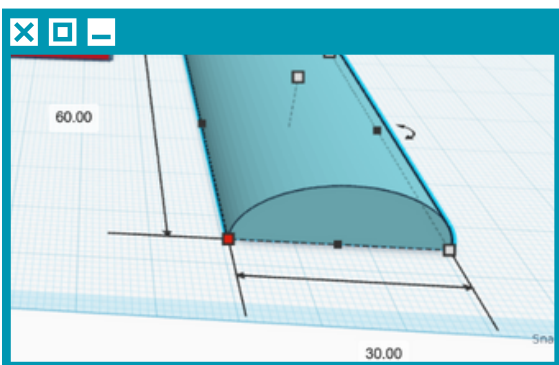


This command remembers the actions you have done after the first time you clicked on it. The second time you click on it, it duplicates and repeats these actions.

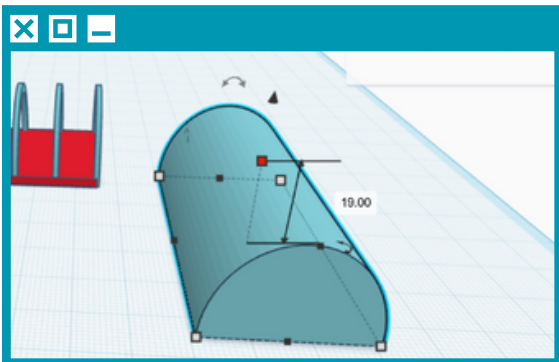
LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE



Bring a new round roof in your workplane.



Change the dimensions as shown, to 60 mm and 30 mm.

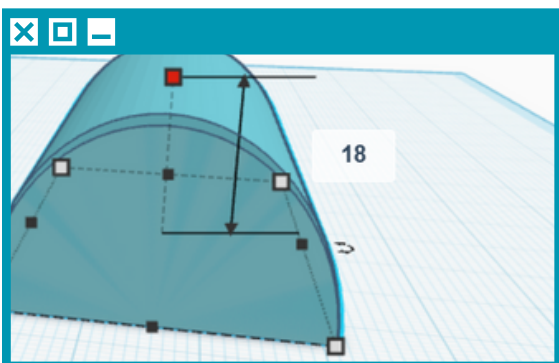


Change the height as well, to 19 mm.



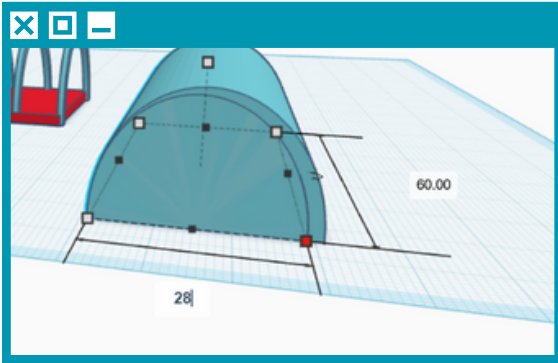
Duplicate and repeat
Ctrl + D

Click duplicate and repeat to get a second round roof on top of the first.

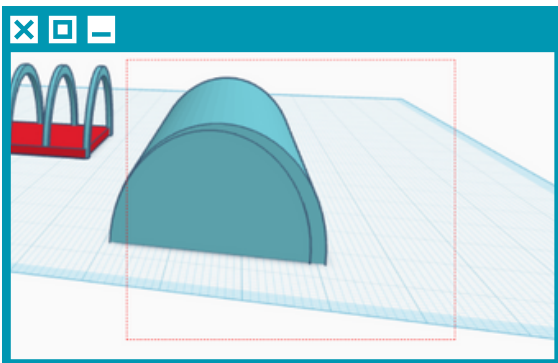


Change the height of the second round roof to 18 mm.

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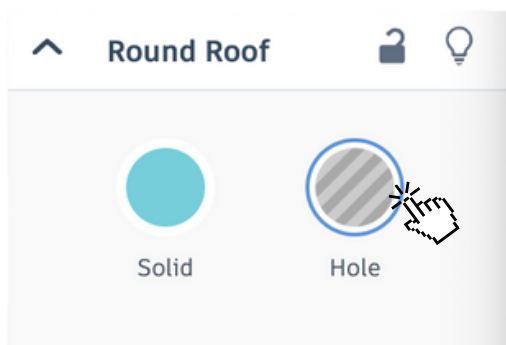
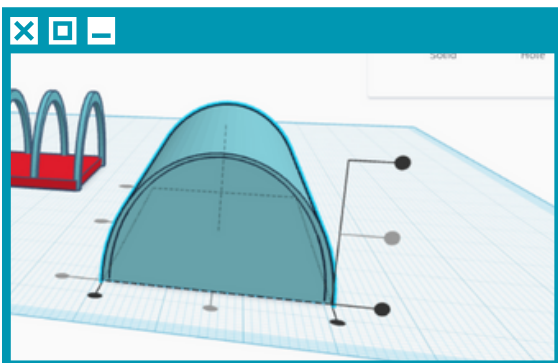
Change width to 28 mm, and leave length as it is.



Select both shapes.

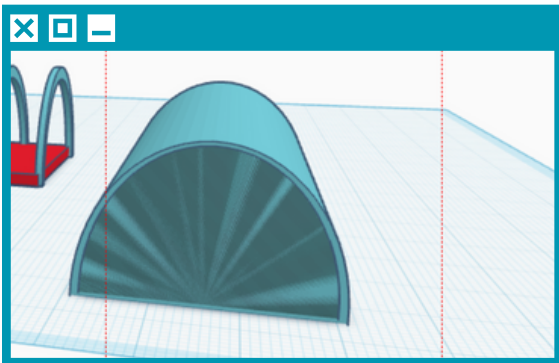


Align them.



Select the inner round roof, and select hole for the shape.

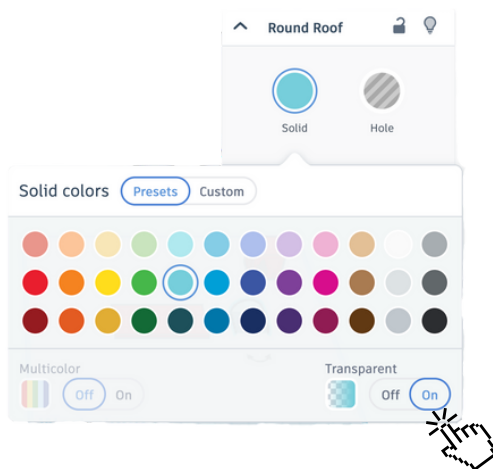
LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE



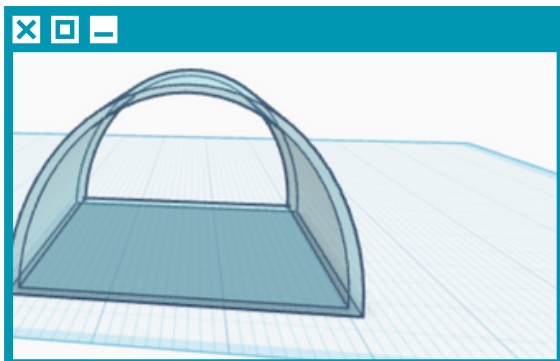
Now select both shapes.



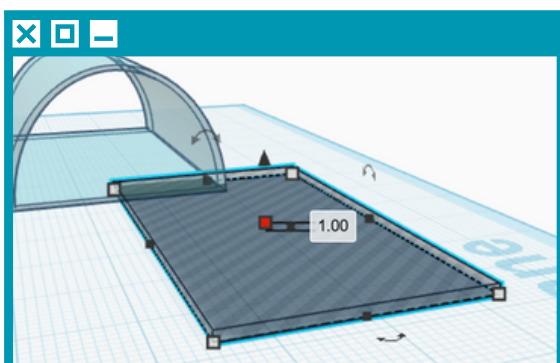
And group the two shapes together.



Click on the solid color and select transparent on the bottom right of the pop up window.

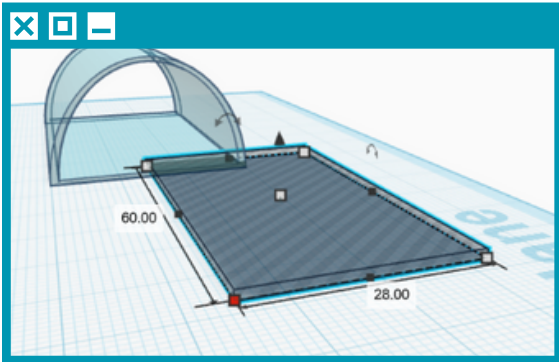


This is how it would look like.



Bring a hole box in your workplane, then change its height to 1 mm.

LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE



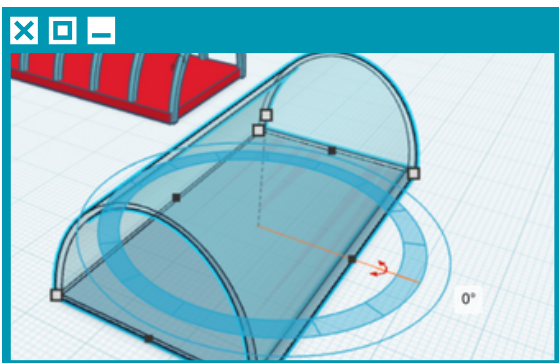
Change its width to 28 mm and its length to 60 mm.



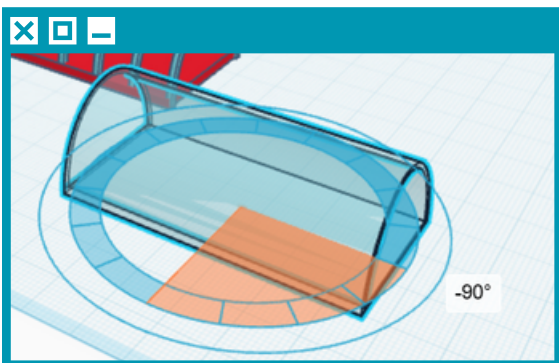
Align it with the transparent round roof.



Group them together.

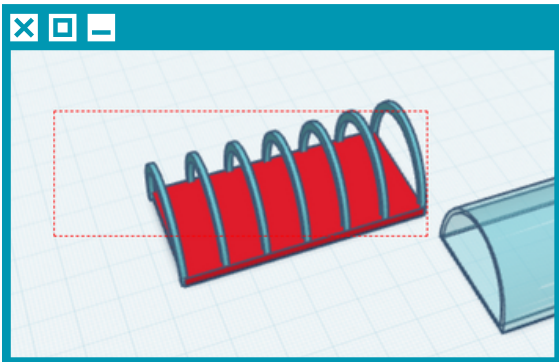


Rotate the transparent shape.

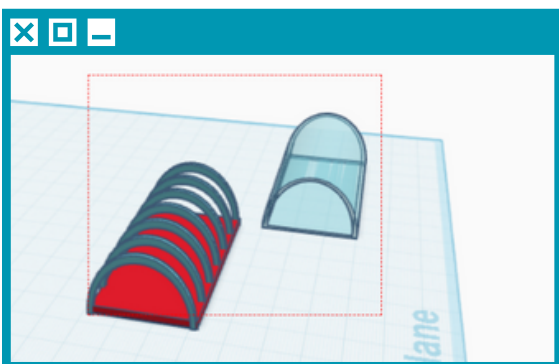


By 90° on the width axis.

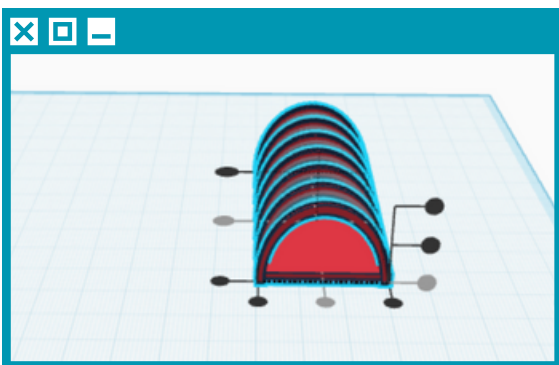
LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE



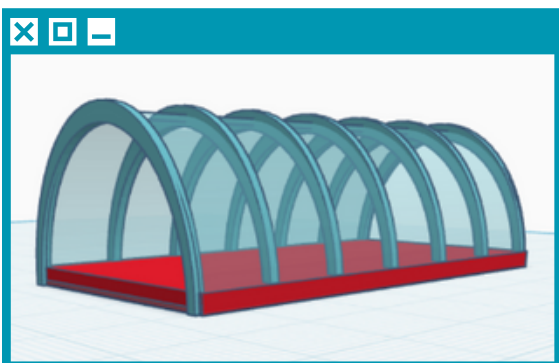
Select the first construction of base and supporting beams, and group them together.



Now select both shapes.

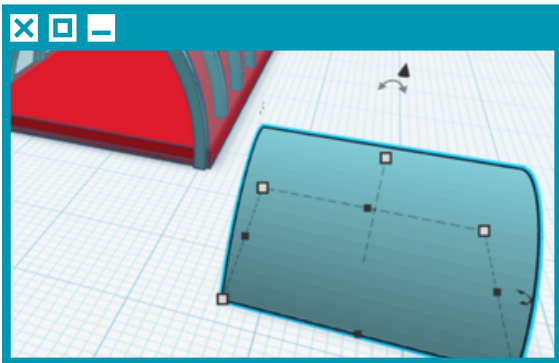


Then align them to look like this.

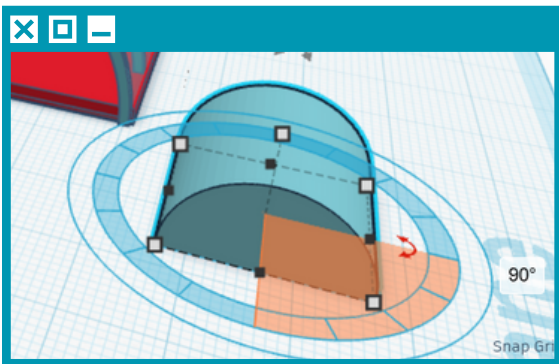


And you get the greenhouse shape. Now you need to add two walls.

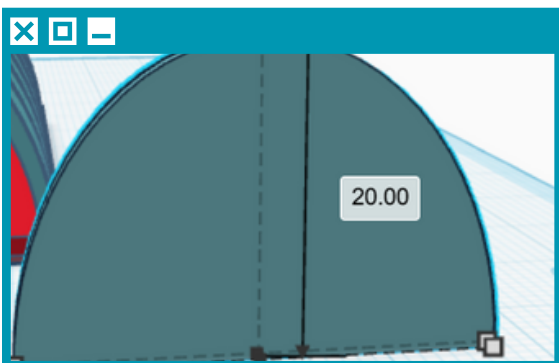
LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE



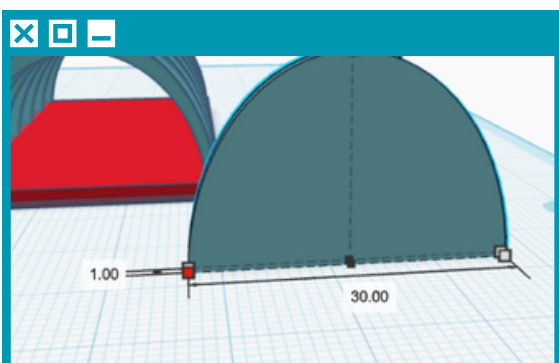
Bring a round roof in your workplane.



Rotate it by 90°.

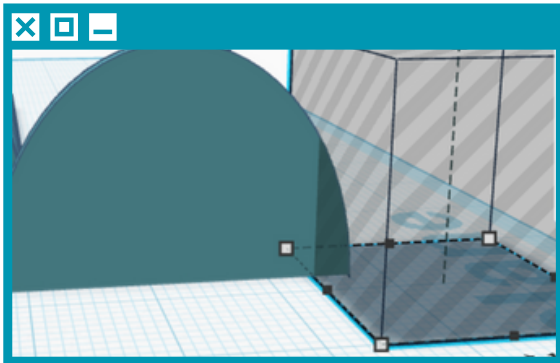


Change its dimensions as shown, height to 20 mm.

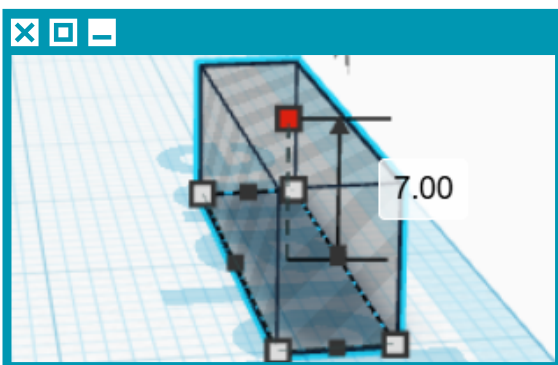


Width to 30mm and length to 1mm.

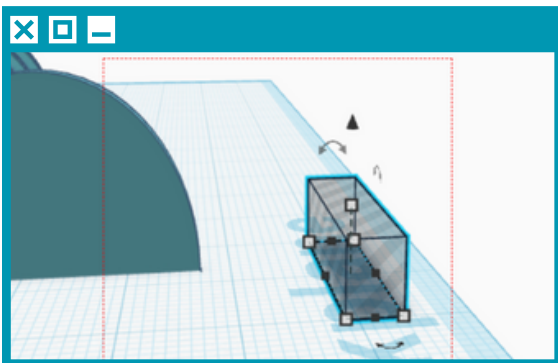
LET'S CREATE A GREENHOUSE



Bring a hole box in your workplane.



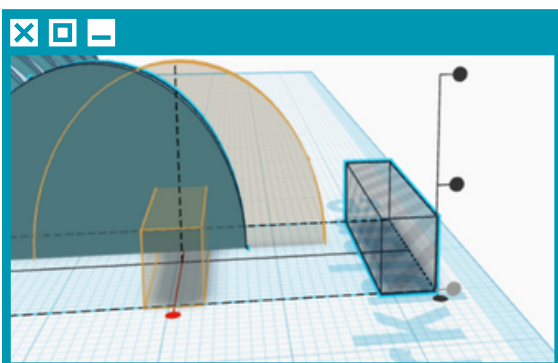
Change its width to 5mm and height to 7mm.



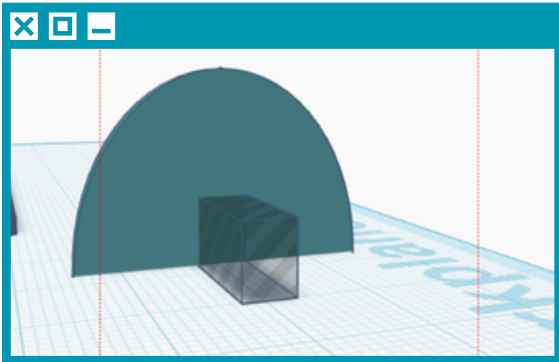
Select the two shapes.



And align them.



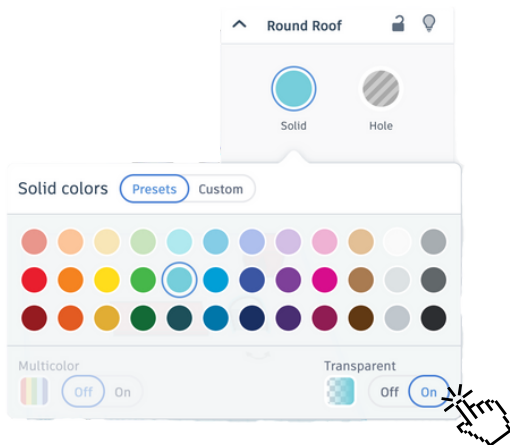
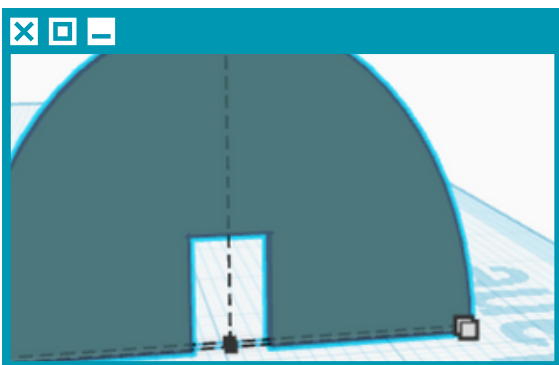
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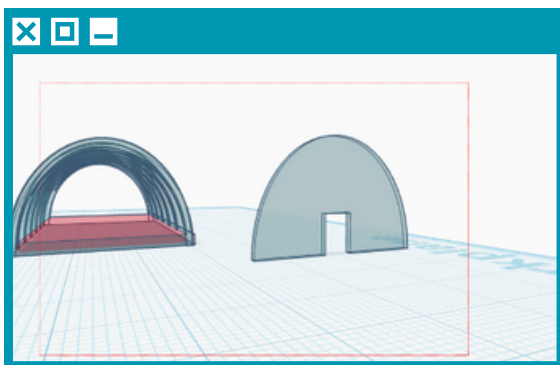
Select again.



And group.



Click on solid color and then turn transparent option on.

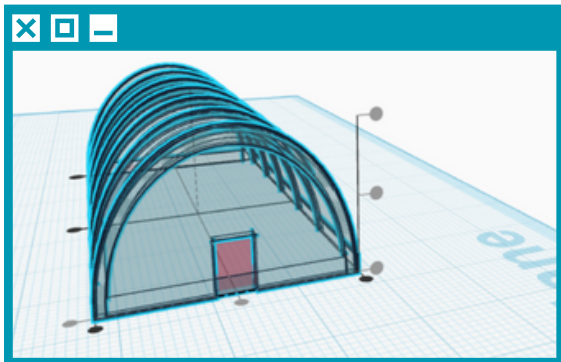


Select your wall and greenhouse.



Align them.

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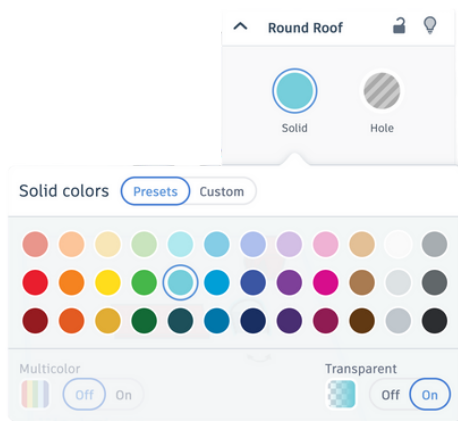


Now that it looks like this.

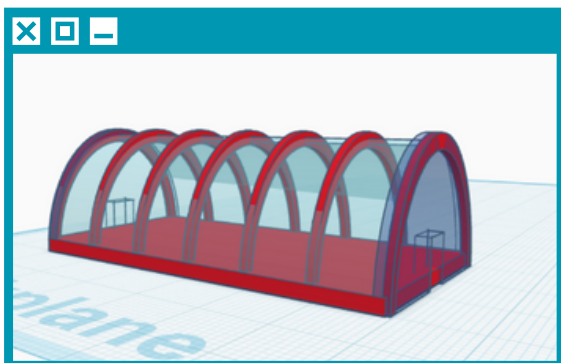


Duplicate it.

Duplicate and repeat
Ctrl + D



Change the color as you wish.

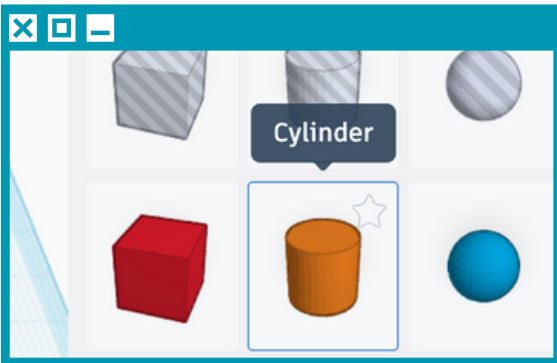


Using the arrow keys, bring the second wall on the other side of the greenhouse.

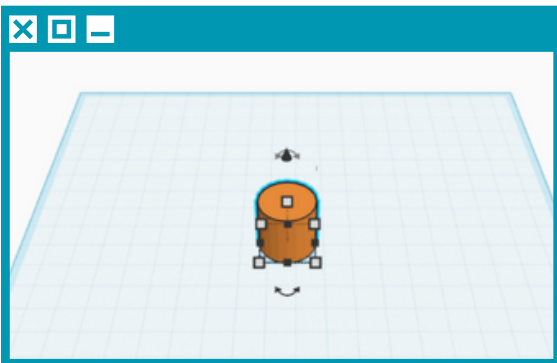
And that's it!

LET'S CREATE A WINDMILL

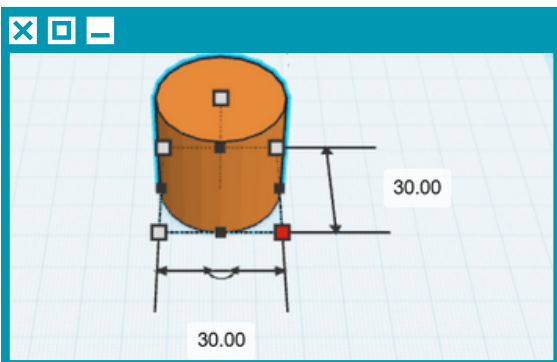
In this example you are going to practice a different way to change the shapes of objects.



Drag a **cylinder** shape on your workplane.



By clicking Shift key and simultaneously dragging one of the white dots of your shape, it gets bigger or smaller retaining its original shape.

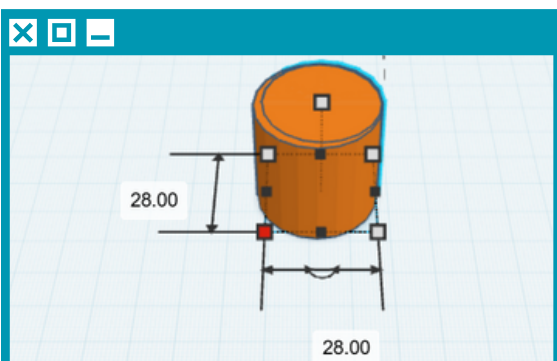


Change its width and length to 30 mm.



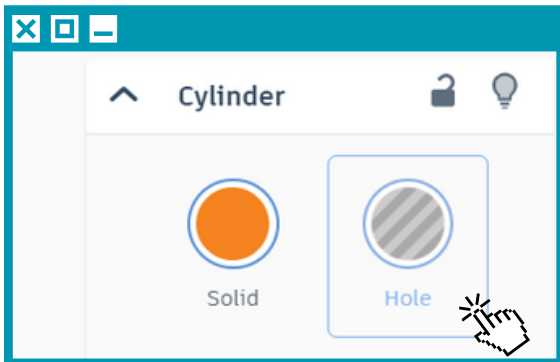
Duplicate and repeat
Ctrl + D

Click to duplicate and repeat.

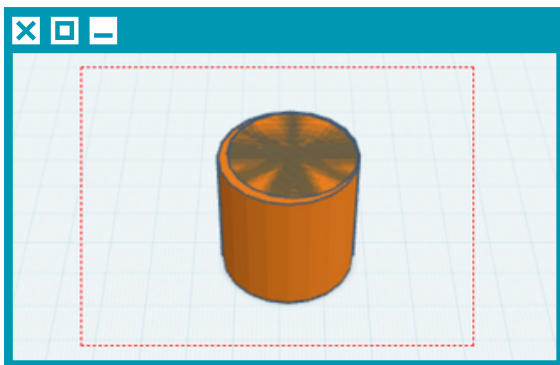


Change the width and length of the second cylinder shape to 28 mm.

LET'S CREATE A WINDMILL



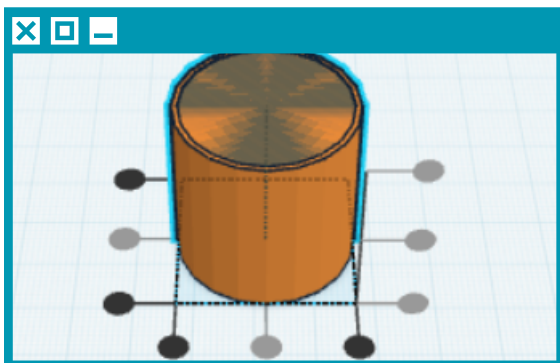
Click on the hole.



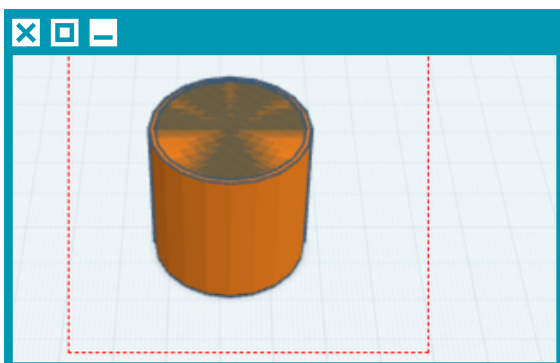
Make a rectangular selection by left clicking your mouse button.



Align them.



Align in the middle of the width and length.

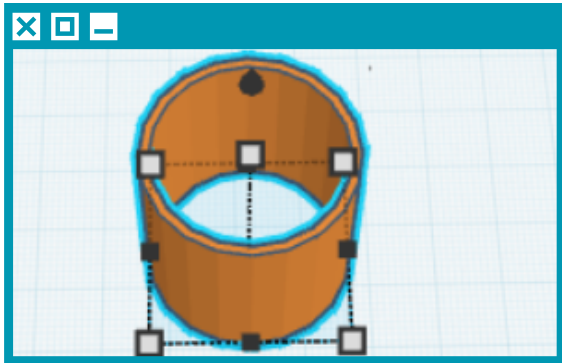


Select both shapes.

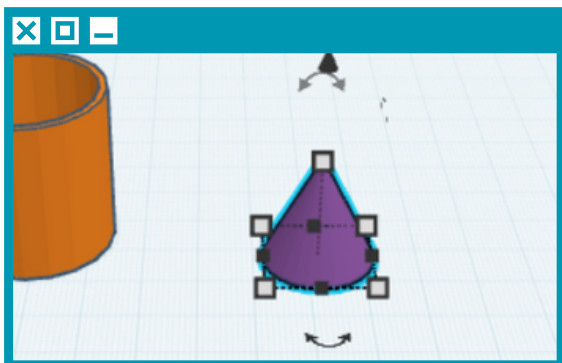


And group.

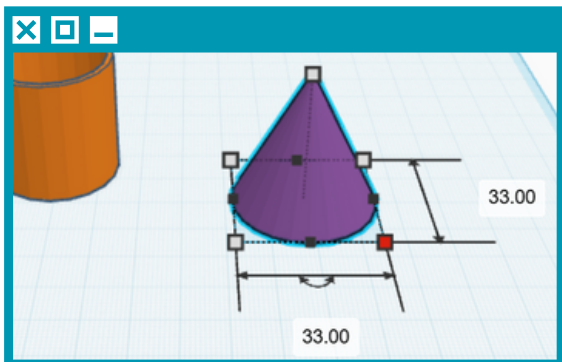
LET'S CREATE A WINDMILL



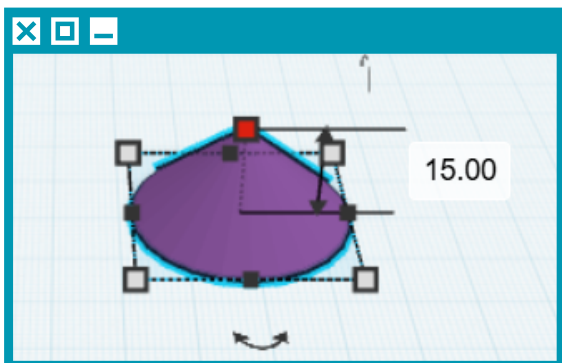
It should look like this.



Drag a **cone** shape on your workplane.

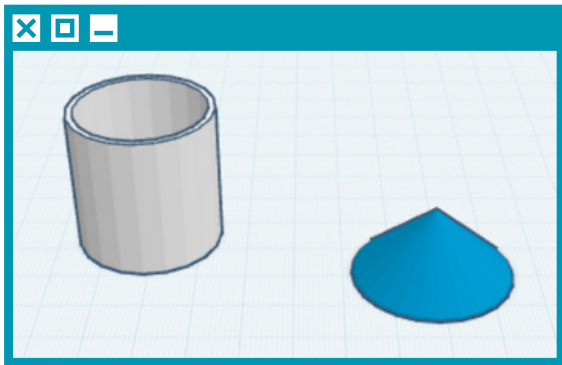


Change the base dimensions to 33 mm.

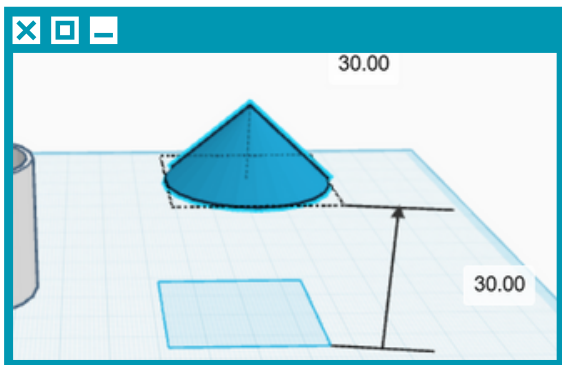


Then its height to 15 mm.

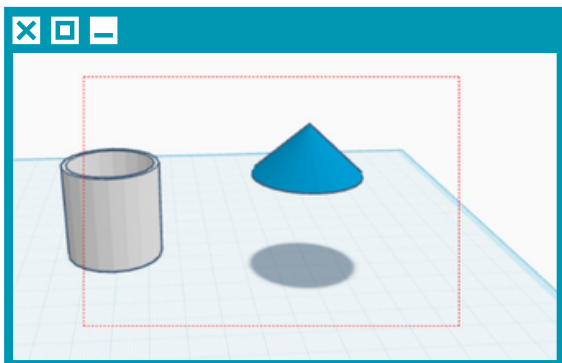
LET'S CREATE A WINDMILL



Change colors.



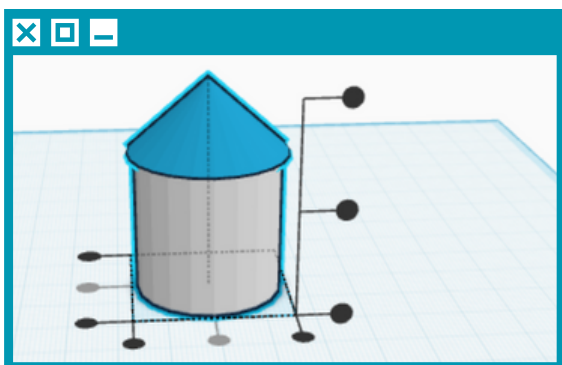
Lift the cone by 30mm from the workplane, by lifting the black triangle above the cone.



Select both shapes.

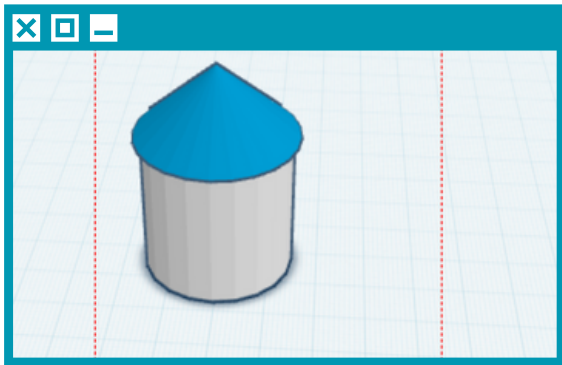


Then, align them.



Align in the middle of width and length.

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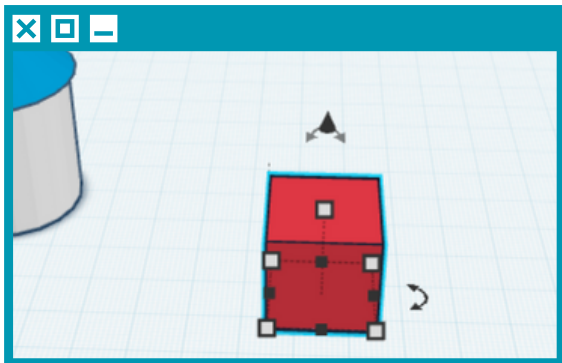
Select both shapes.



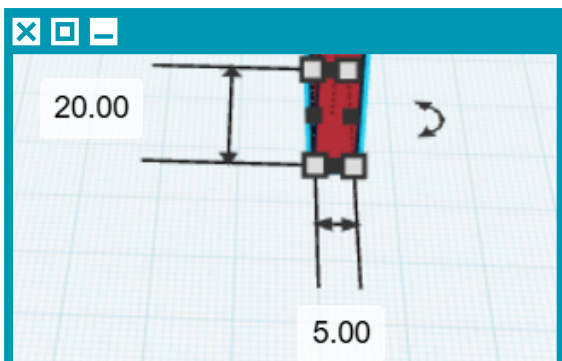
Group them.



Select Multicolor.

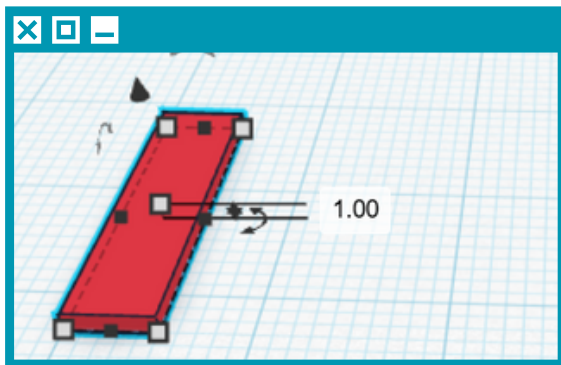


Drag a cube shape on your workplane.



Change its width to 5mm, and length to 20mm

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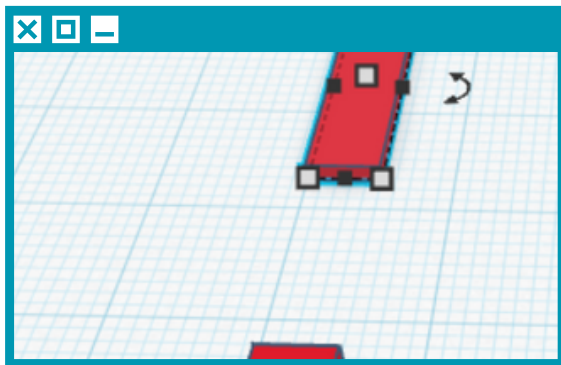


And height to 1mm.

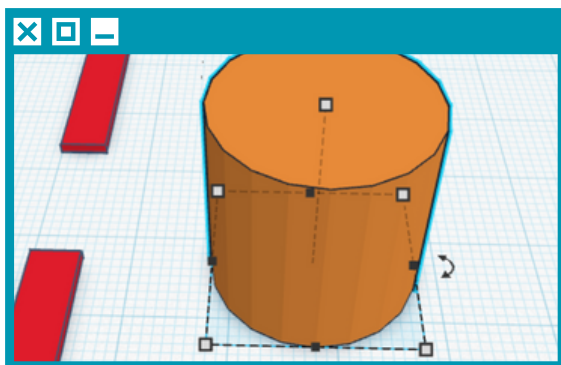


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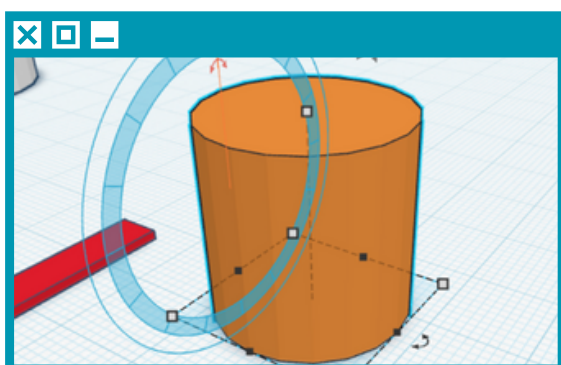
Duplicate and repeat
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Move the second shape using the up arrow on your keyboard.

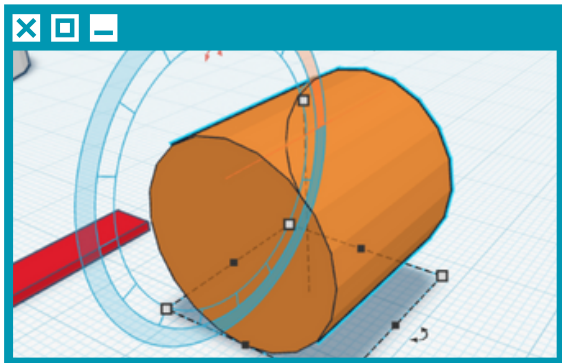


Drag a cylinder shape on your workplane.

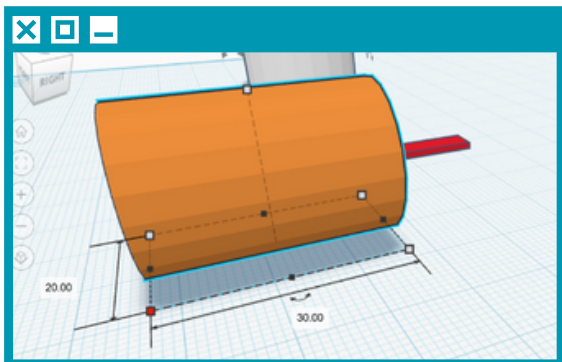


Rotate it by 90°.

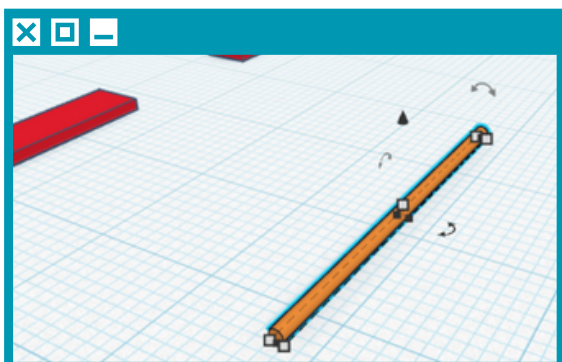
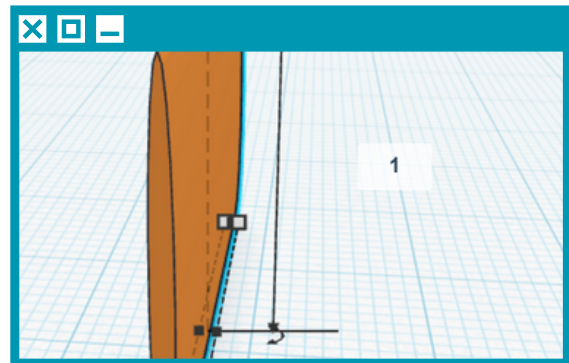
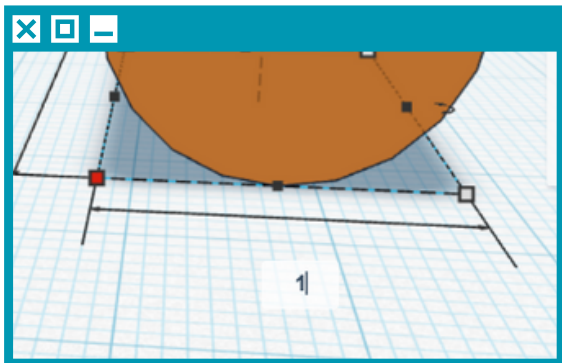
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In order to be in this position.

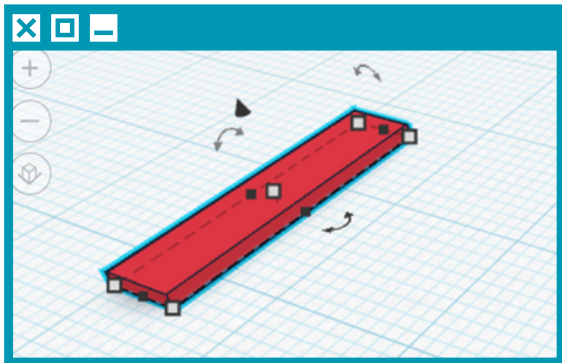


Change its dimensions to 1mm.

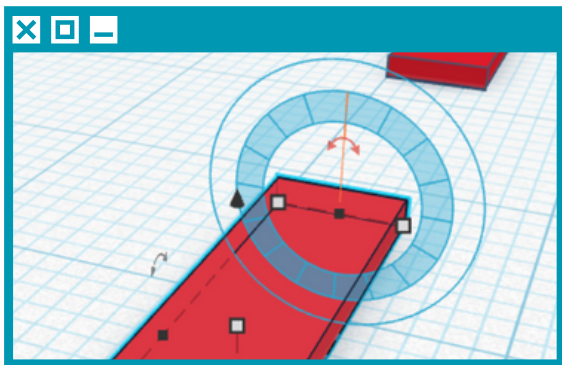


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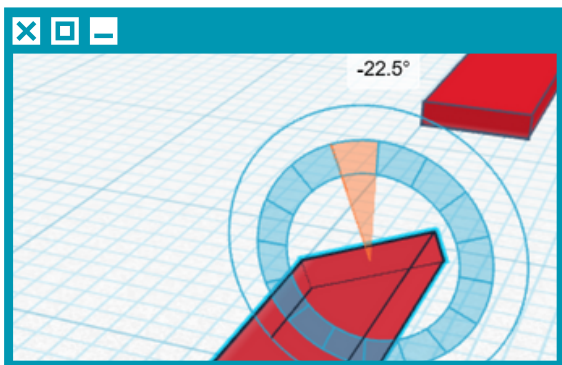
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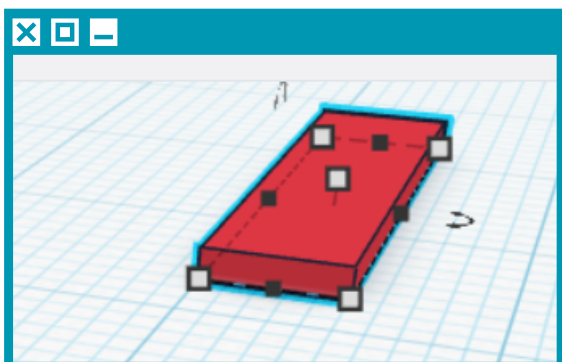
Select the first box.



Rotate it.

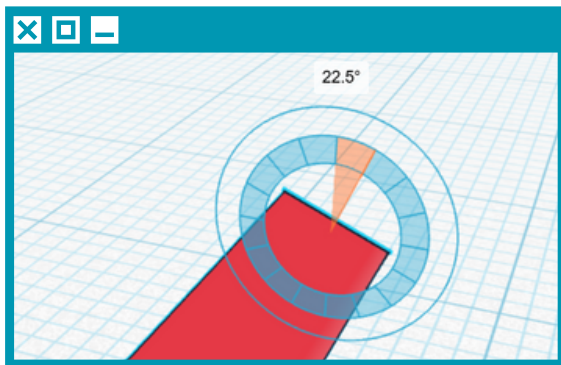


by -22.5° .

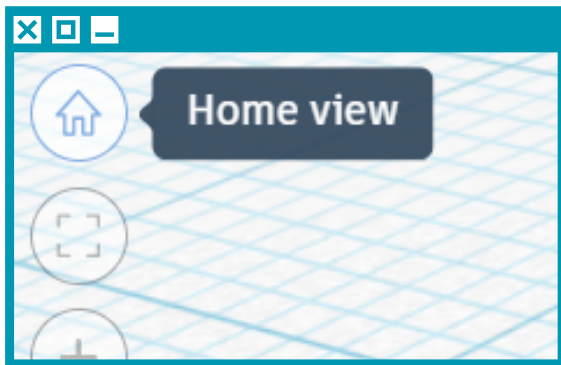


Select the second box.

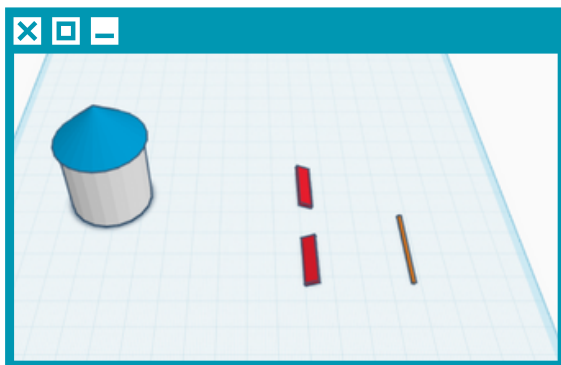
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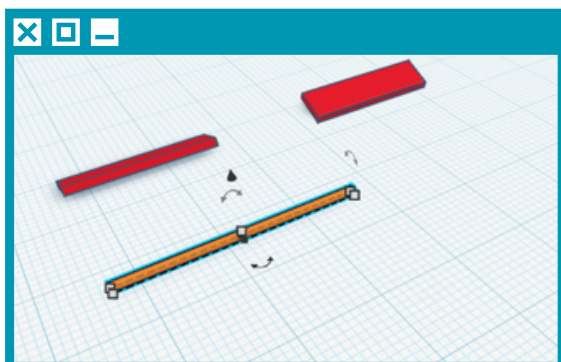
Rotate it by 22,5°.



Click on Home view.

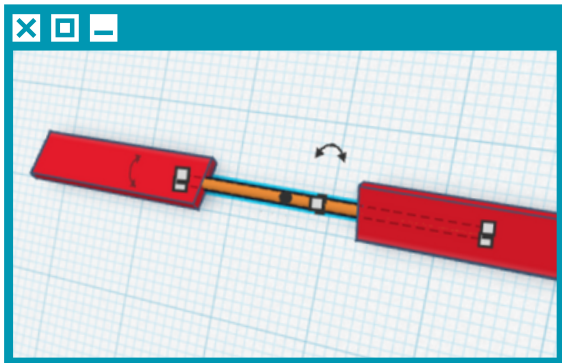


This is now the home view.



Select the cylinder and move it towards the boxes by using the arrow keys of your keyboard.

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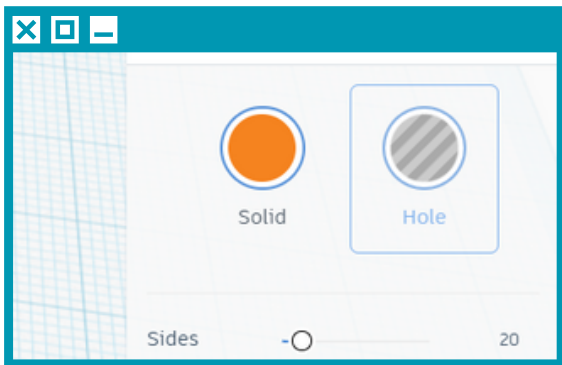


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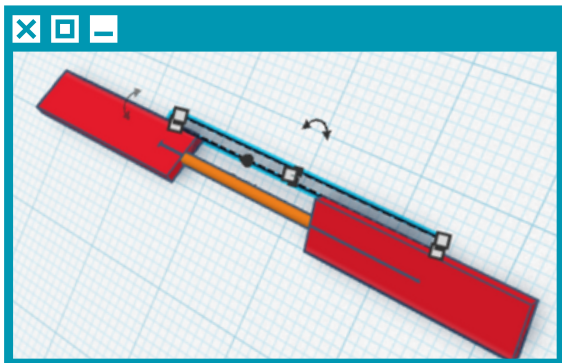


Duplicate and repeat
Ctrl + D

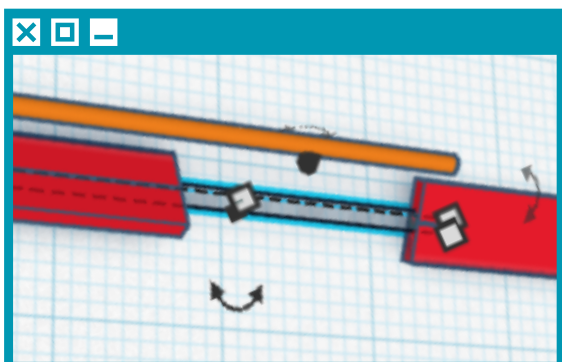
Click to duplicate and repeat.



Click on the hole.

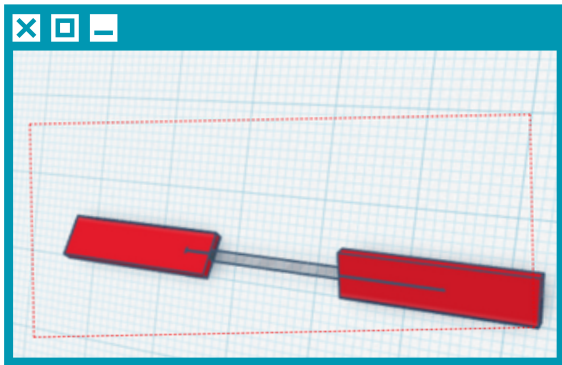


Move the orange cylinder.



Place the hole shape at its original place.

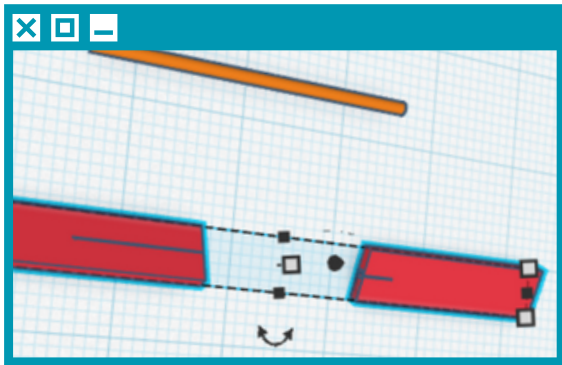
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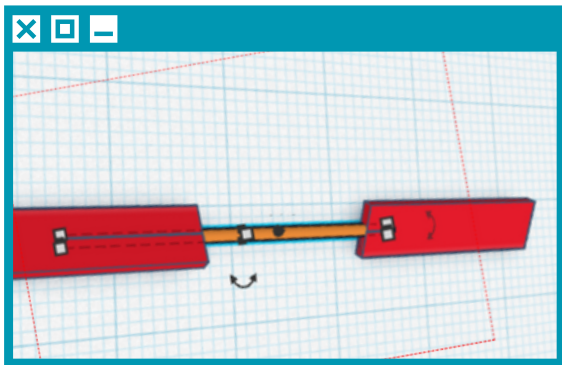
Select the 3 objects.



Group them.



Then move the orange cylinder back to its original position.

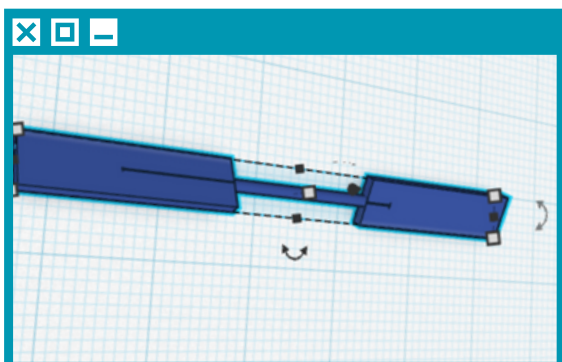


The reason for doing this is so that the red and orange materials do not collide with each other.

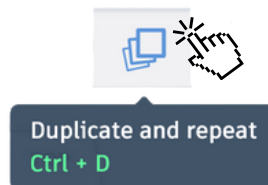
Select both shapes.



Group them

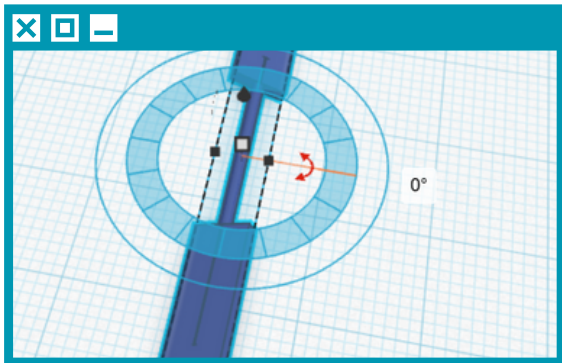


Change the color.

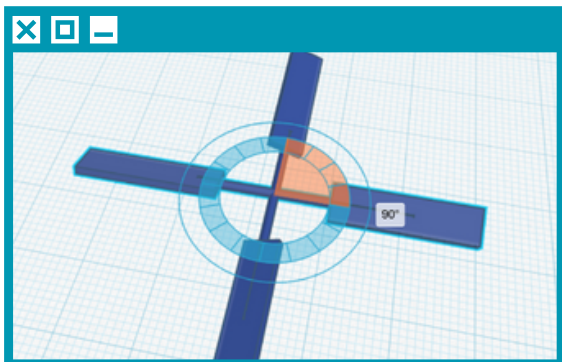


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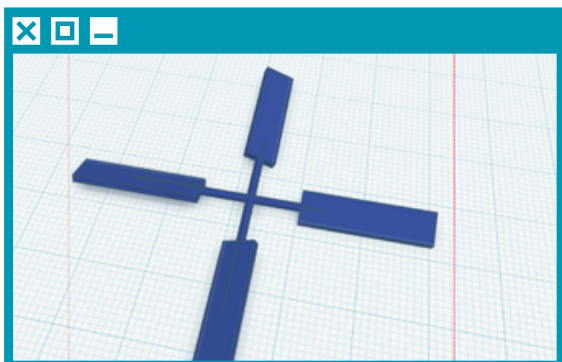
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Next you will need to rotate the second shape.



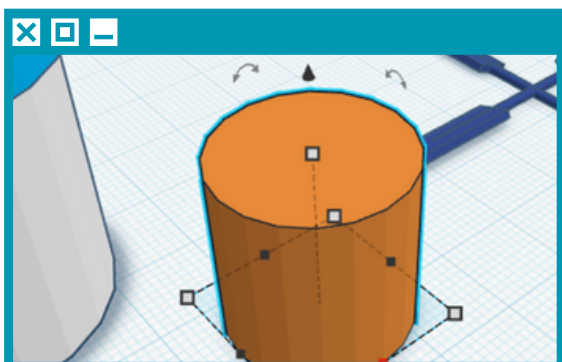
Rotate it by 90°.



Select both shapes.

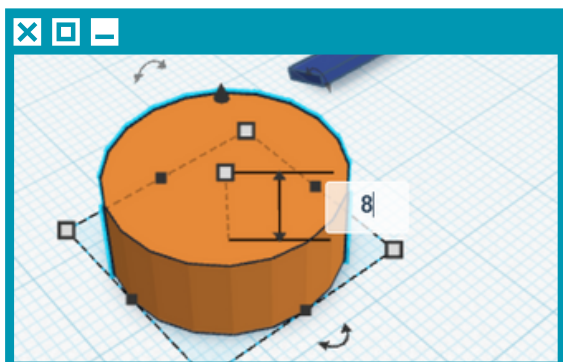


Group them.

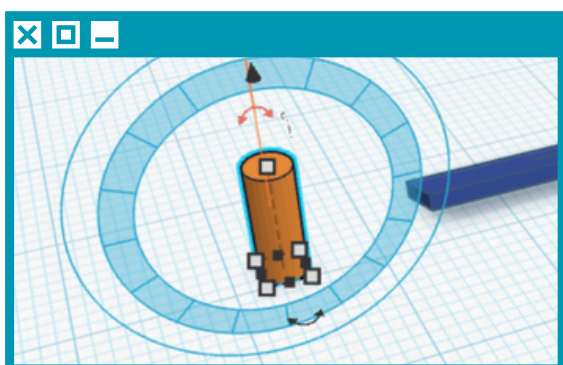


Drag a cylinder shape on the workplane.

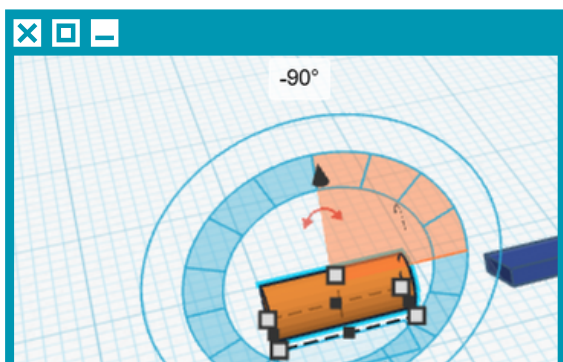
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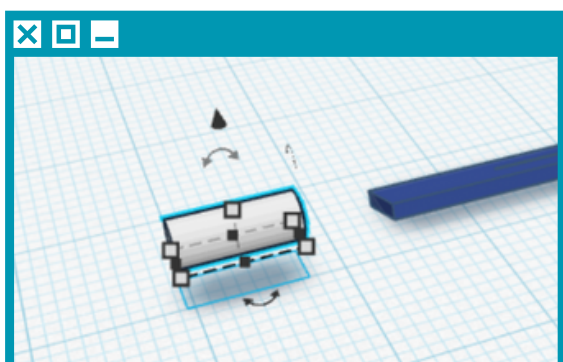
Change its height to 8 mm.



Next you will click to rotate it.

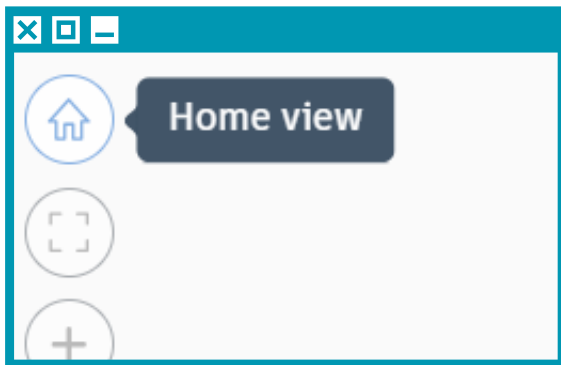


Rotate it by 90°.

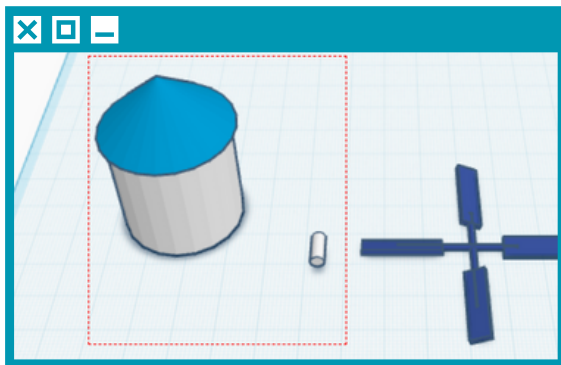


Change its color to white.

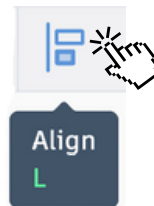
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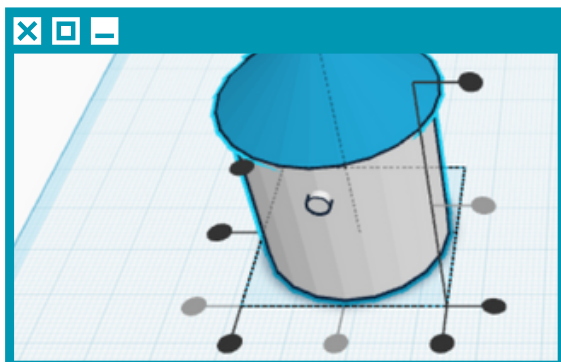
Click on home view, for better preview.



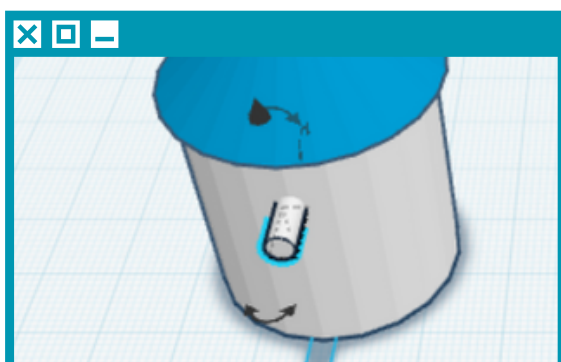
Select the building and white cylinder.



Click to align.

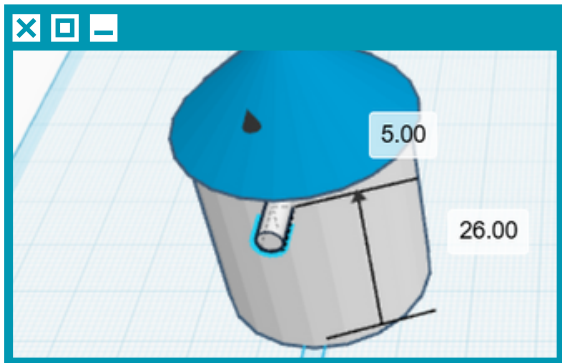


Align in the middle of the width, the front of the length and the middle of the height.

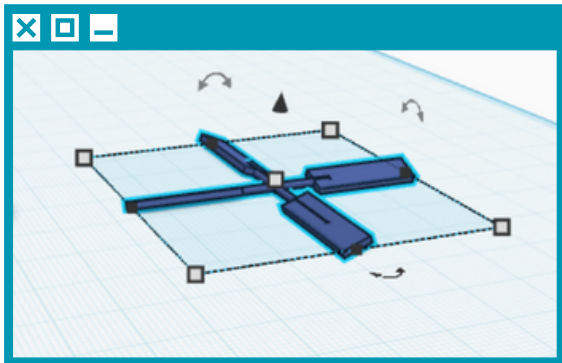


Drag the white cylinder a little more outside the building by using the arrow keys.

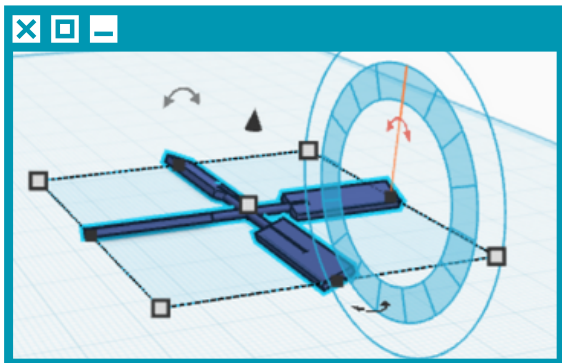
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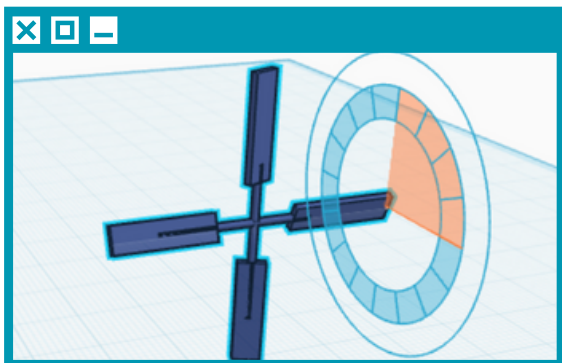
Lift it up so that it is placed underneath the roof.



Select those shapes.

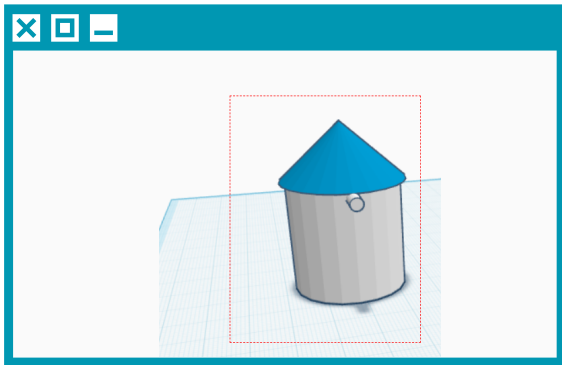


Now you need to rotate it.



Rotate it by 90°.

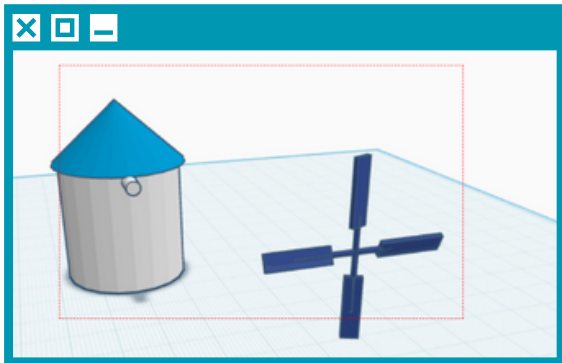
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Select the white cylinder shape with cone.



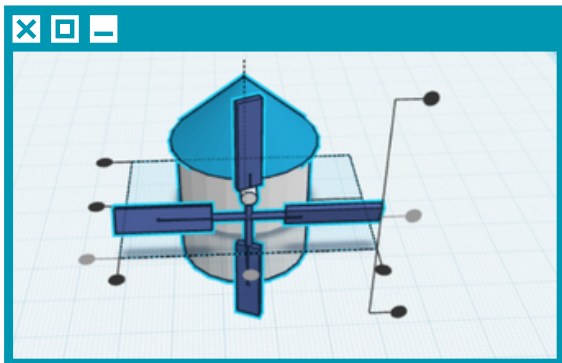
Group them.



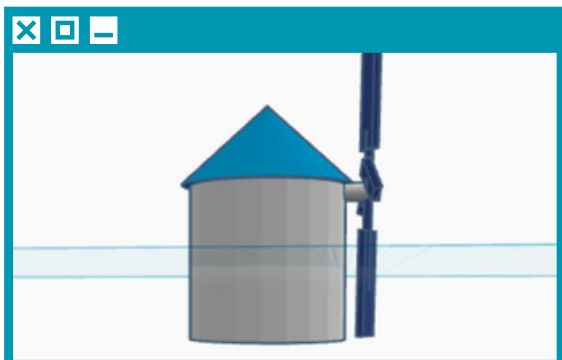
Select the two objects.



And align them.

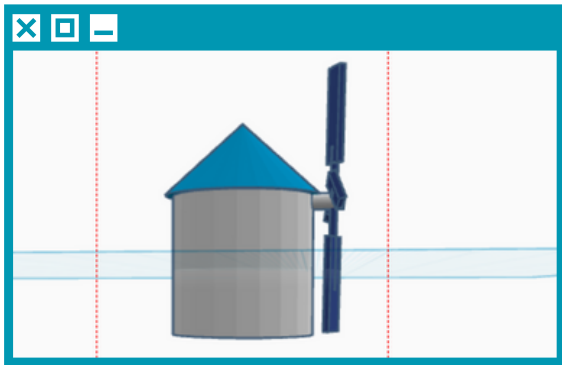


Click the left side of your view cube.



To have a look like this.

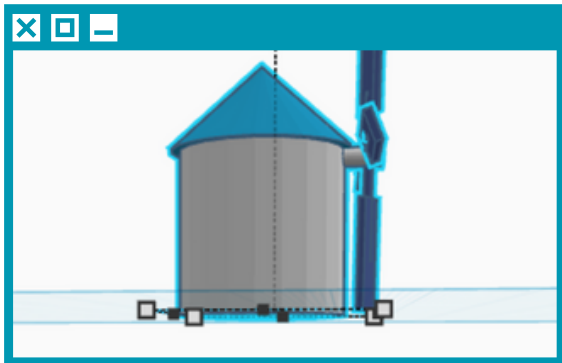
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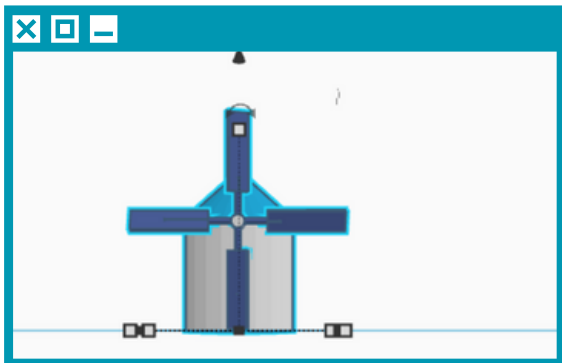
Select both shapes.



Group them.



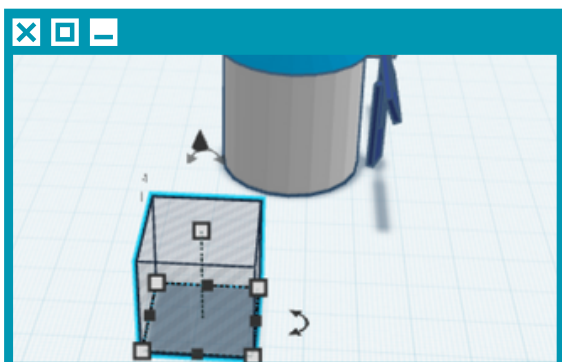
Click D on your keyboard to drag the building on the surface of the workplane.



To have a look like this.

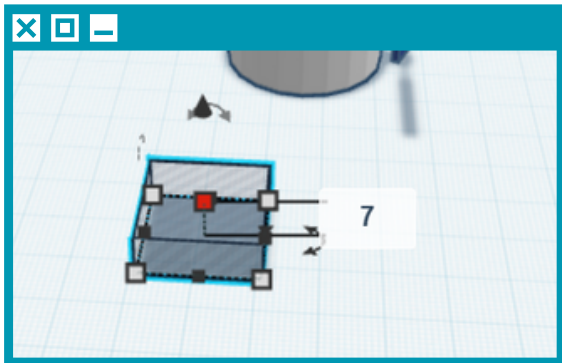


Click the left side of your view cube.

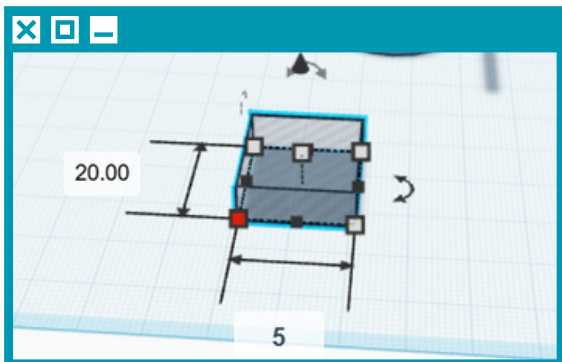


Bring a hole box on your workplane.

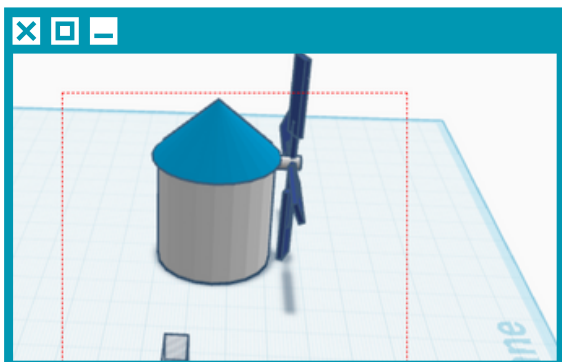
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Change its height.



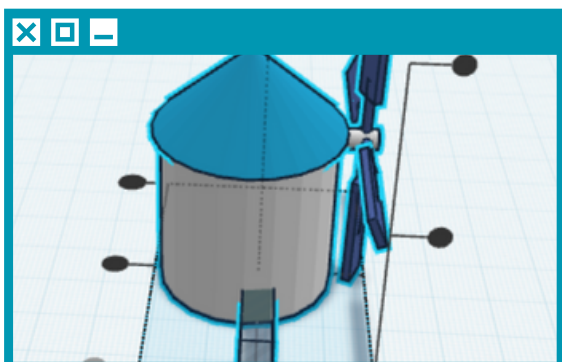
And width.



Select both shapes.

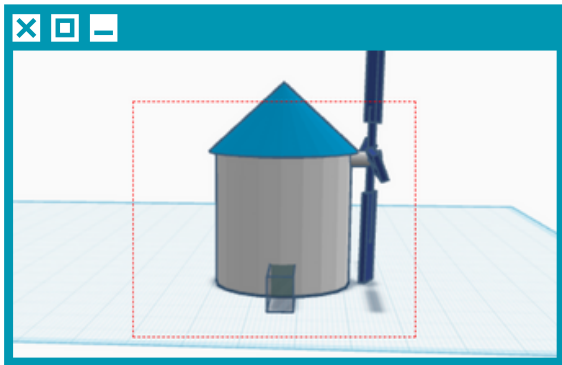


click to align.



Move the hole box with your arrow keys in order to be placed in the middle of the building

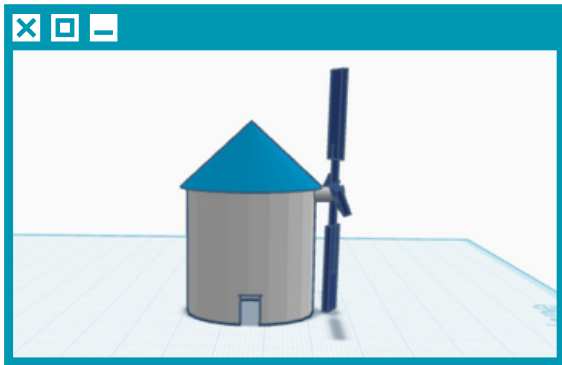
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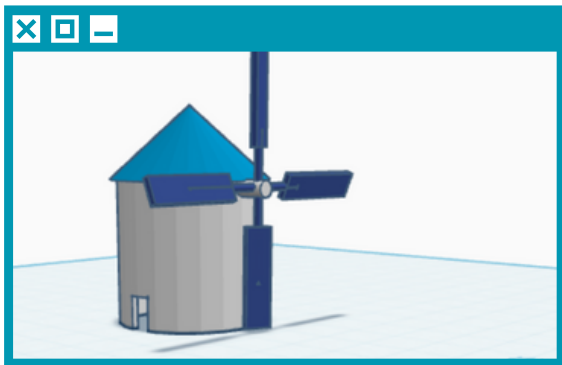
Select both shapes.



Group them.



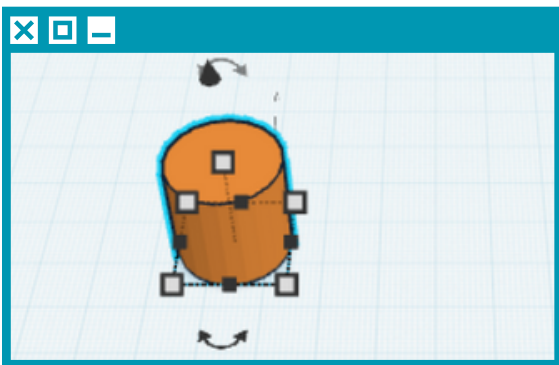
Now, it should look like this.



Here's your windmill!

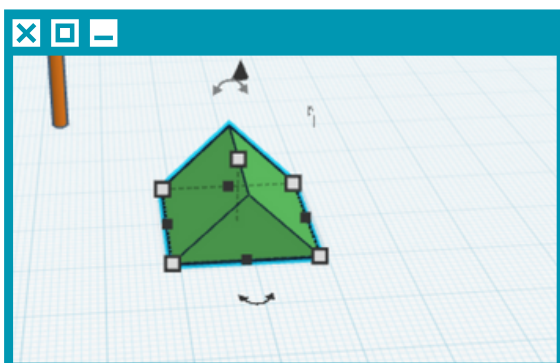
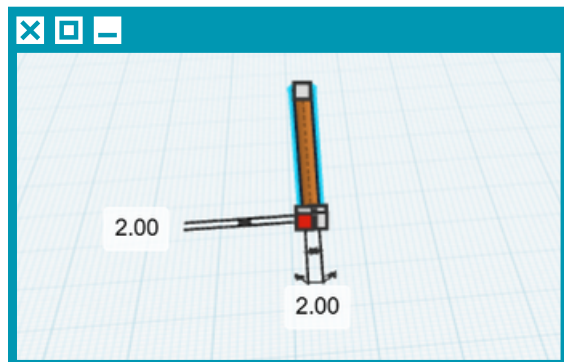
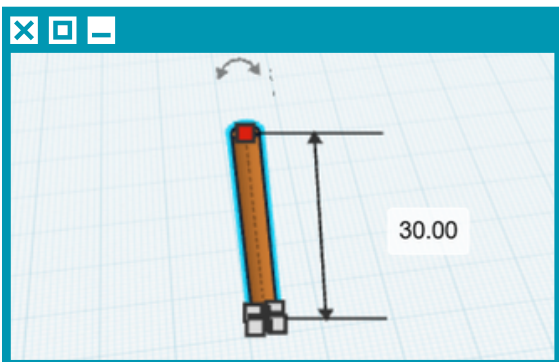
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In this example you will use a new tool, the Mirror Tool. You will also change the grading of the grid to adjust your design



Drag a cylinder on your workplane.

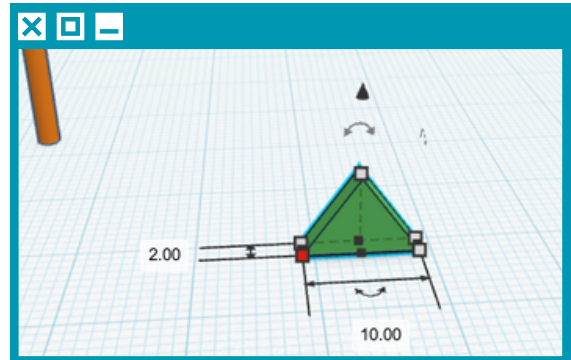
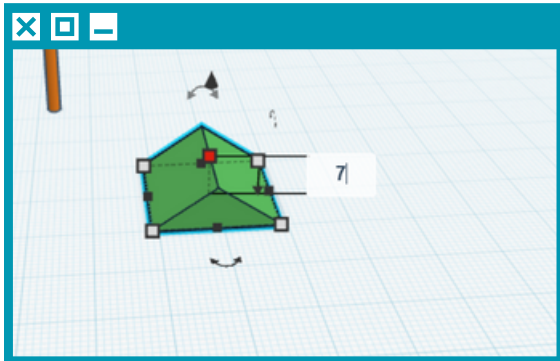
Change its height to 30 mm and base dimensions to 2 mm.



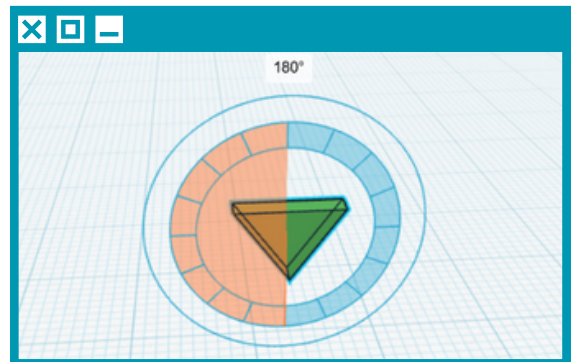
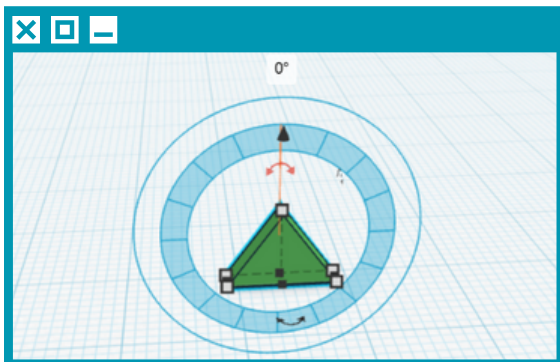
Drag a roof shape on your workplane.

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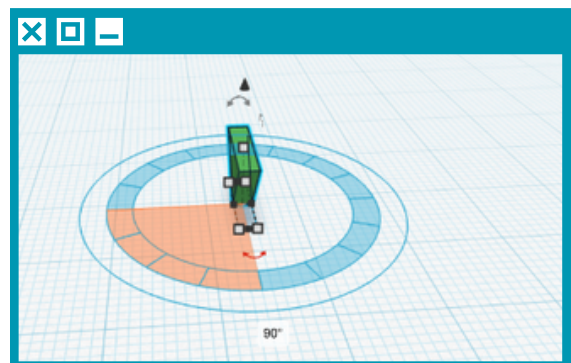
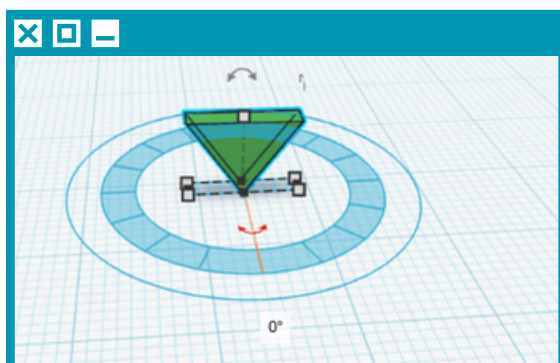
Change its dimensions.



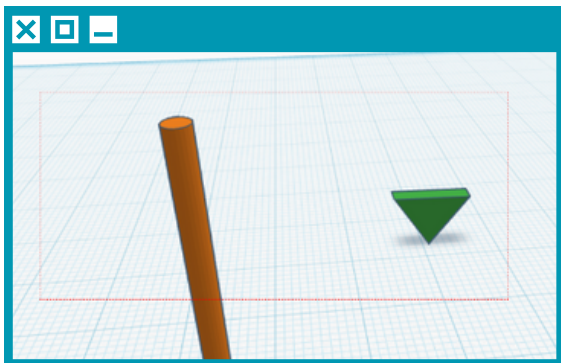
Rotate it by 180°.



And then by 90°.



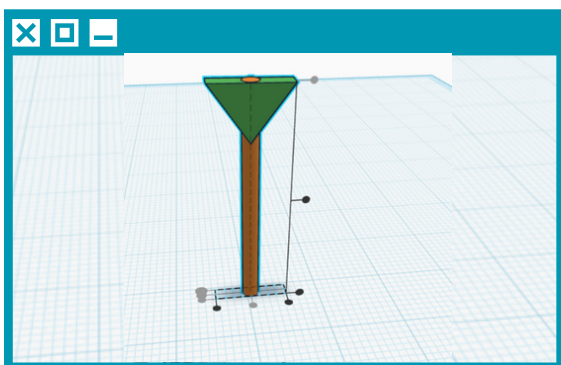
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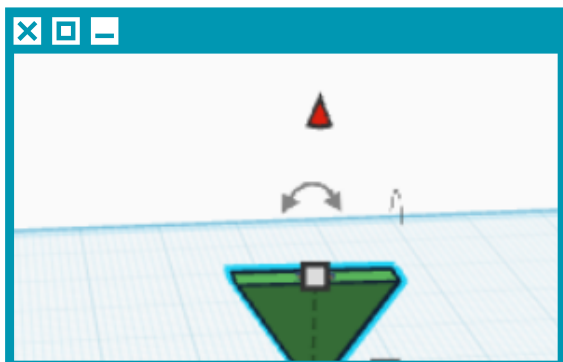
Select the roof and cylinder.



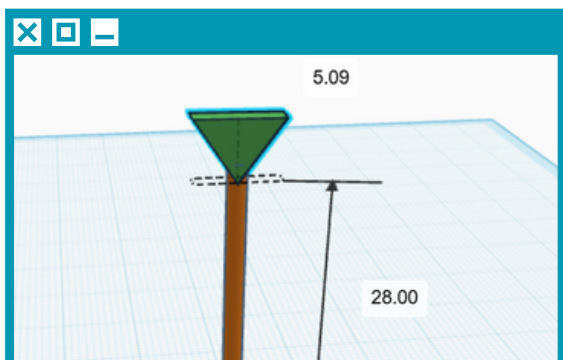
Click to align them.



It should look like this.

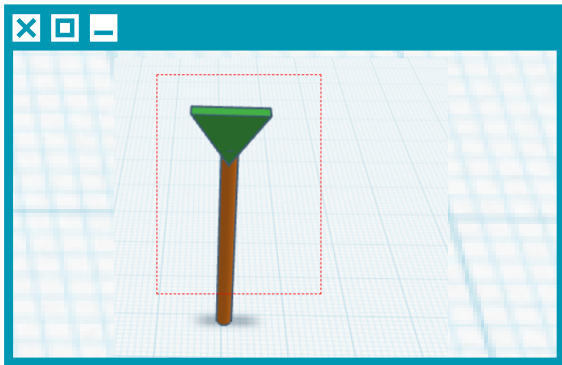


Lift the roof up by dragging the black triangle.



Like this.

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Select both shapes



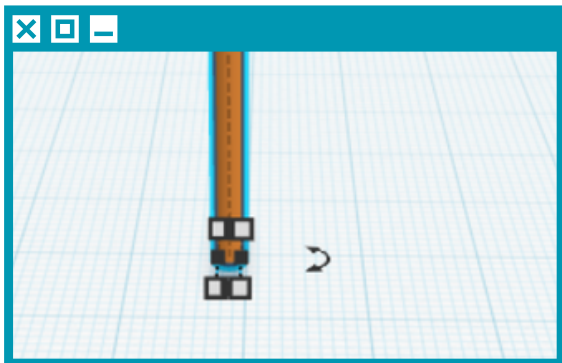
Group them



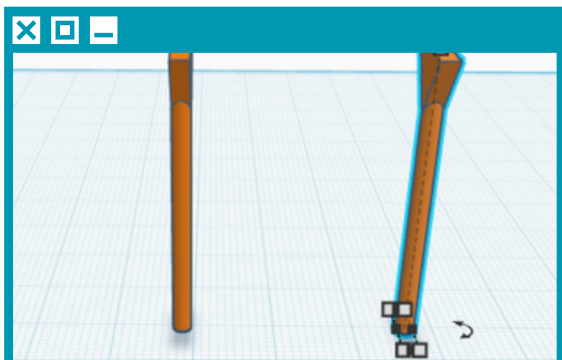
Click to duplicate and repeat.



Click on the front side of the view cube.

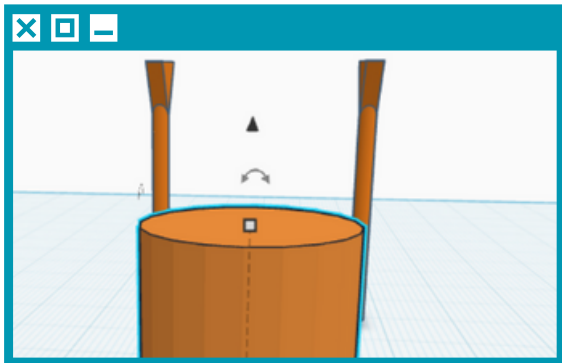


Use the arrow keys on your keyboard.

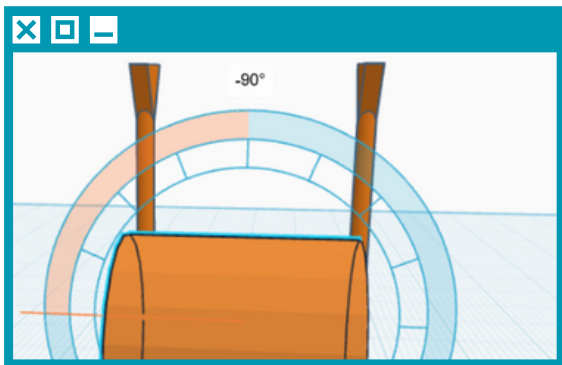


In order to move the second shape next to the first, like shown.

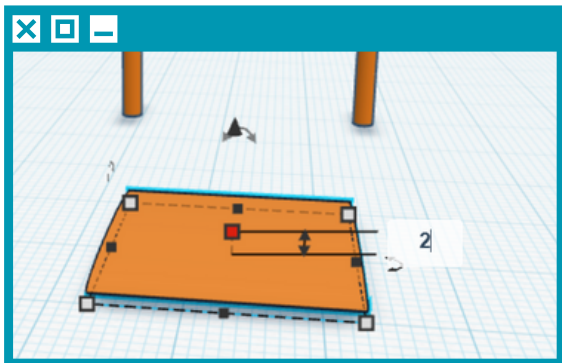
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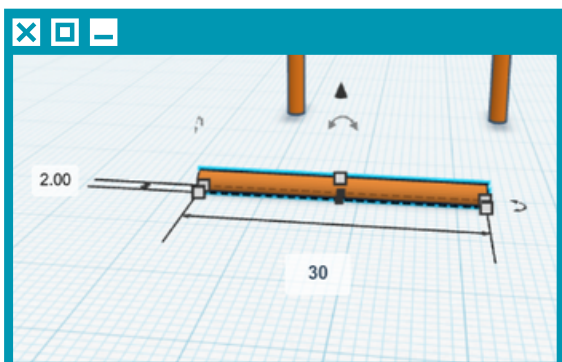
Drag a cylinder shape on your workplane.



Rotate it by 90° .

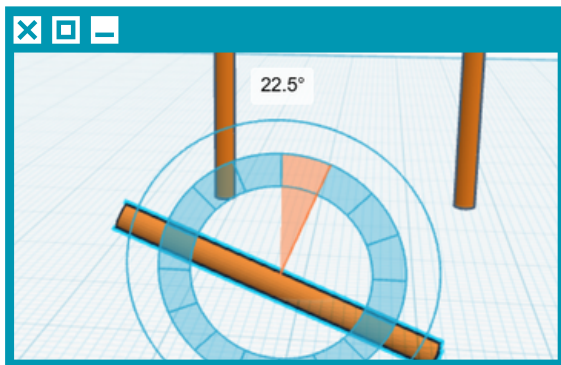


Change its dimensions to 2 mm and 30 mm.

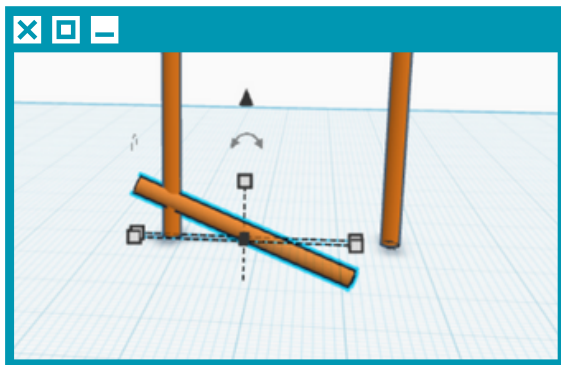


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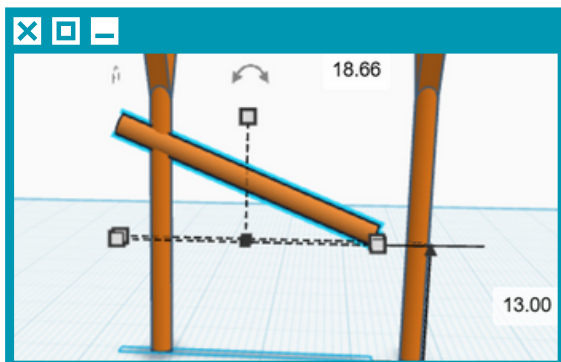
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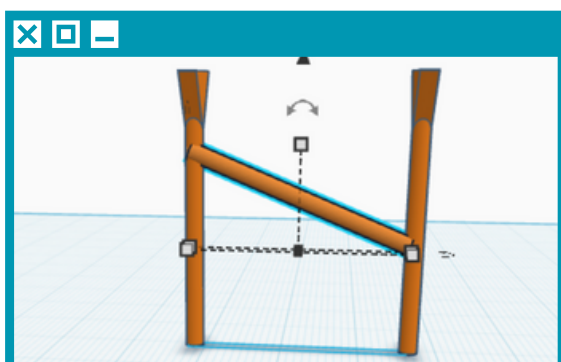
Rotate it by 22,5°.



Like this.

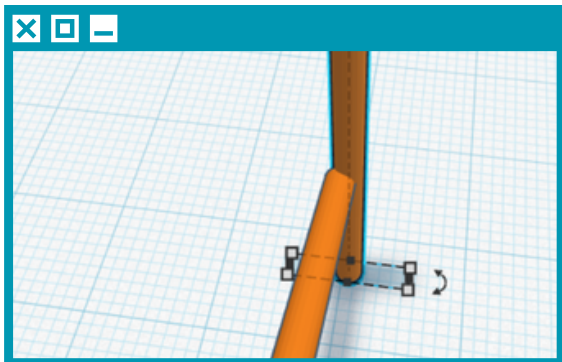


Lift it up.

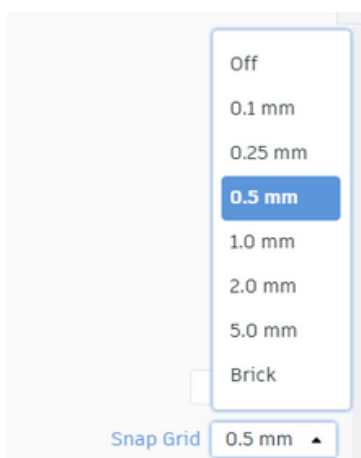


And move it so that it touches both shapes.

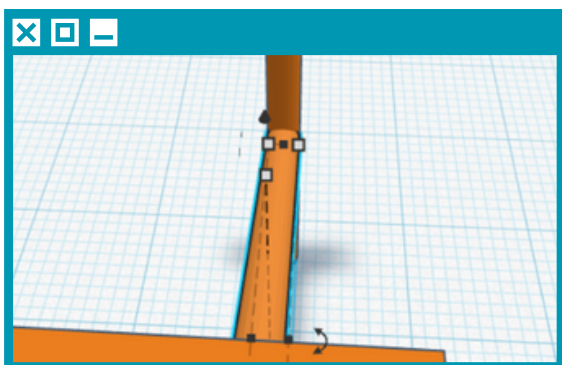
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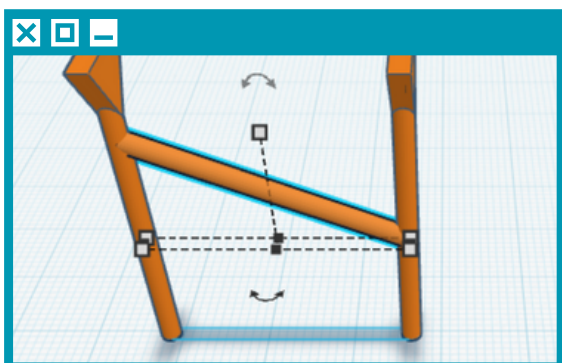
The beam is not properly centered and it cannot be by clicking the arrow key.



Go to the snap grid and select a 0.5 mm instead of 1mm.



Now, if you move the beam with your arrow key it will be perfectly centered.

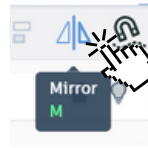
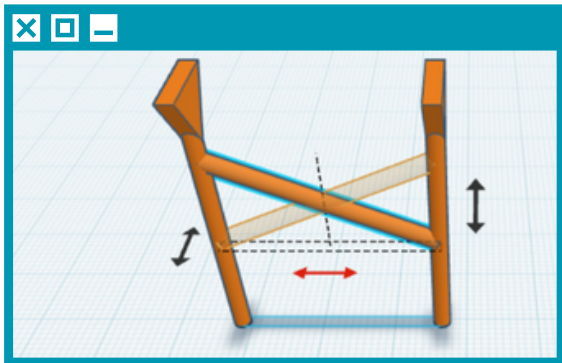


Select the beam, and then duplicate and repeat.



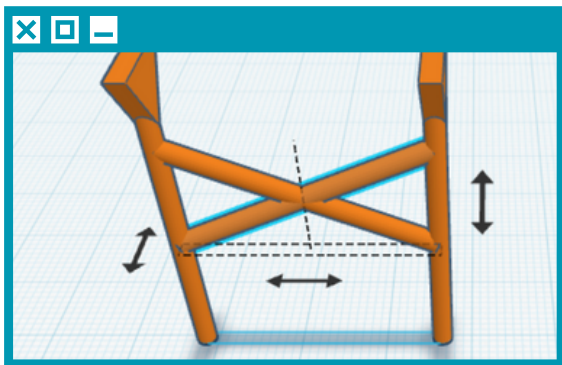
Duplicate and repeat
Ctrl + D

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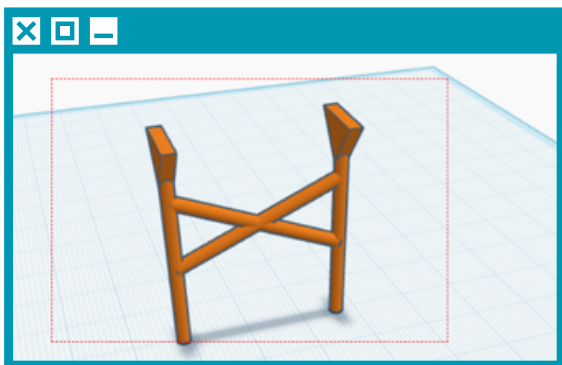


Select the mirror tool.

You have to state in which dimension you want to mirror your object.



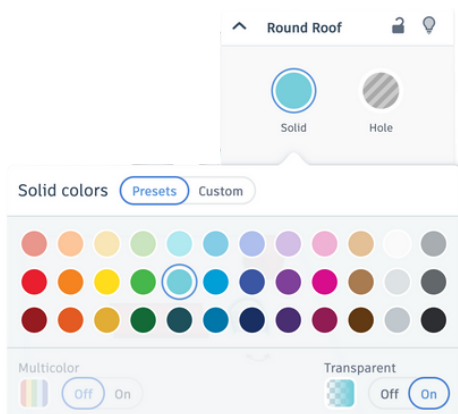
Click D to drag the building on the surface of the workplane.



Select the all tree objects.

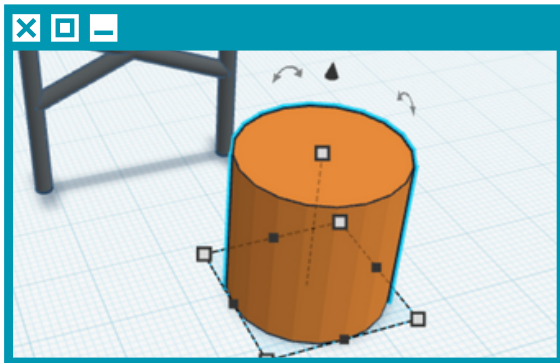


Group them.

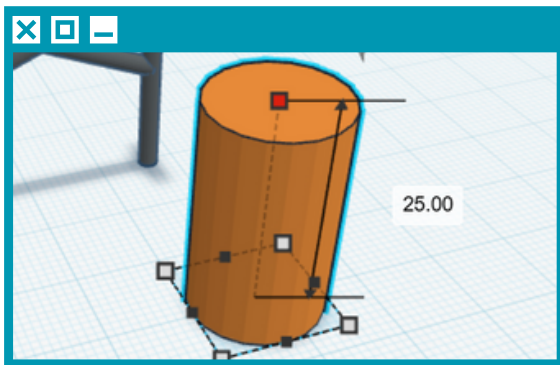


Change their color.

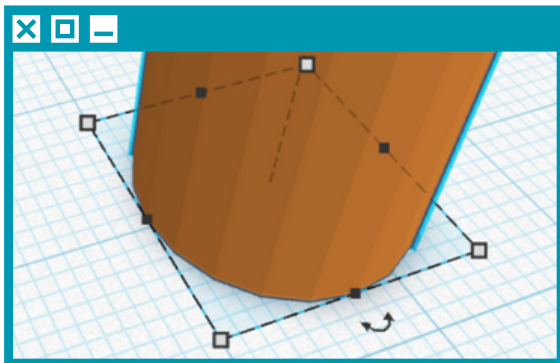
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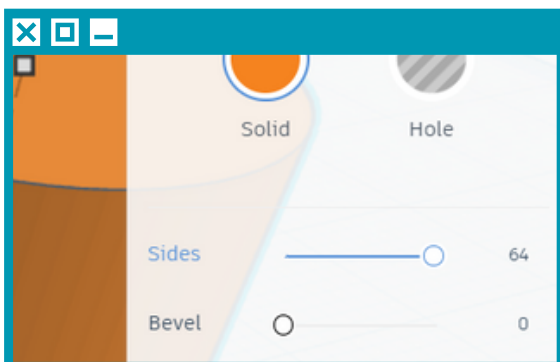
Drag a cylinder shape on your workplane.



Make height 25 mm, width and length should be 15mm.

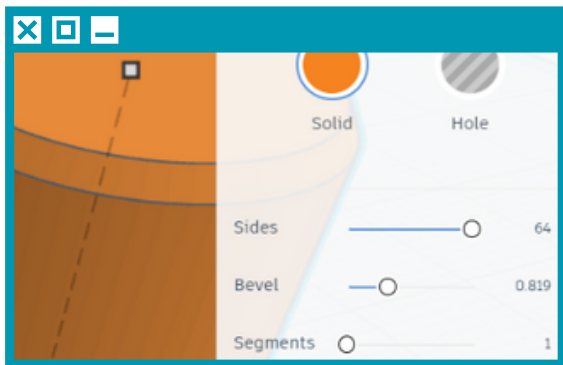


If you notice the surface of your cylinder, the sides are very visible.

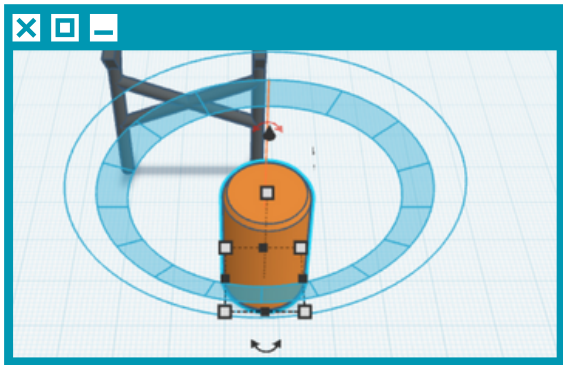


If you change the number of sides to the maximum (64), the surface of the cylinder will look smoother.

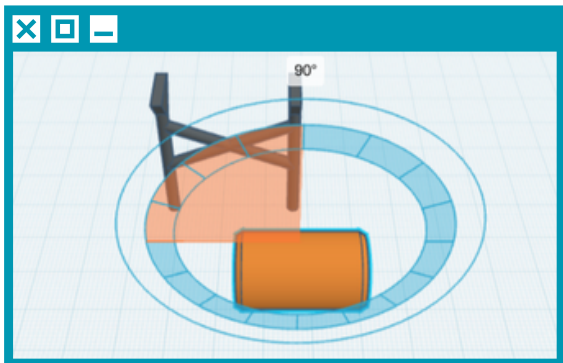
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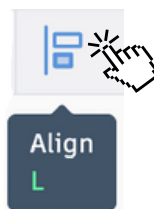
If you increase the bevel, the edges of the cylinder will be smoother.



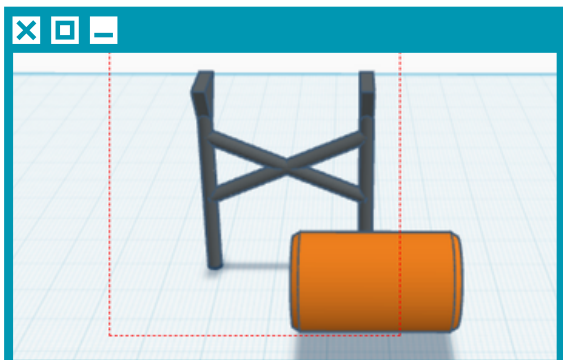
Rotate the cylinder.



Like this by 90°.

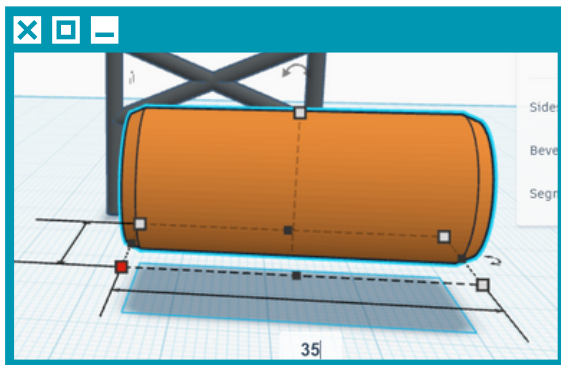


Click to align.

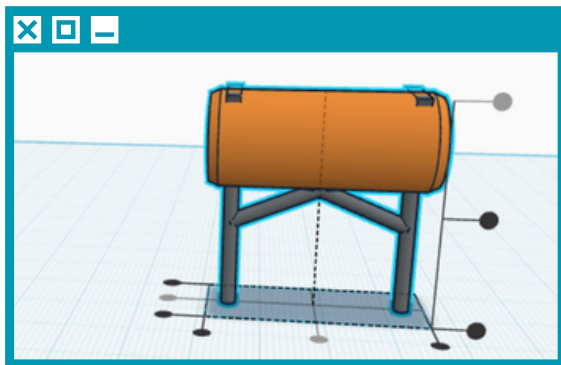


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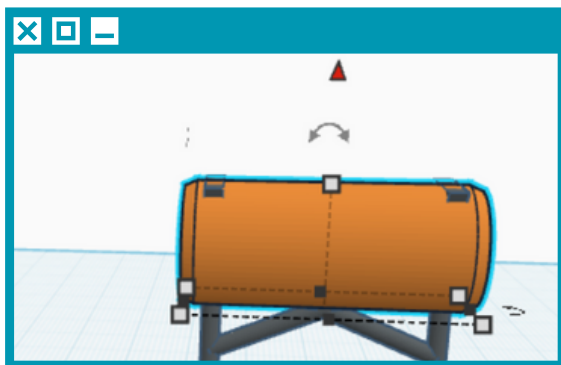
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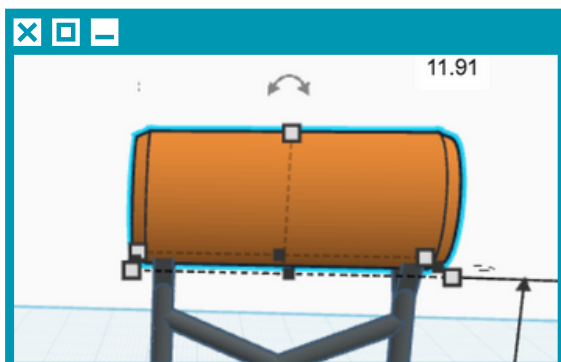
Change the side of the cylinder to 35 mm instead of 25 mm.



Click D to drag the building on the surface of the workplane.

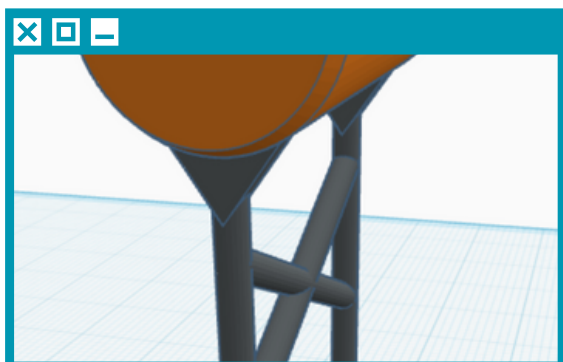


Lift the cylinder up.

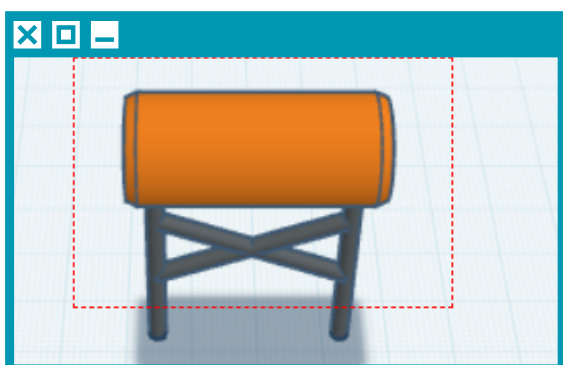


Click on the left side of your view cube.

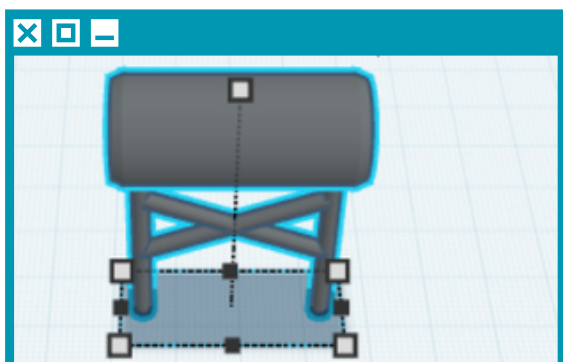
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Check that the cylinder sits smoothly on the base. If not, adjust its height.



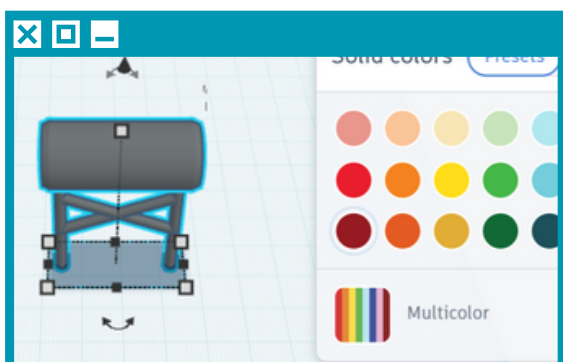
Select both shapes.



After you selected both shapes.

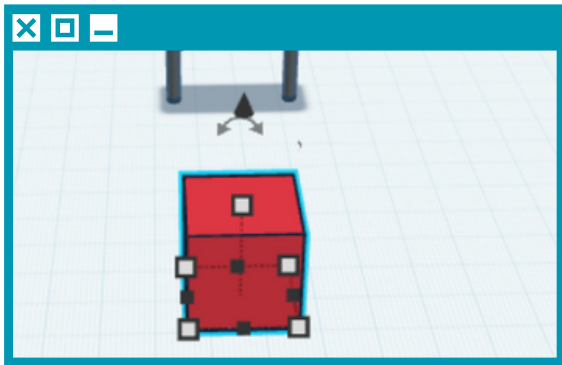


Group them.

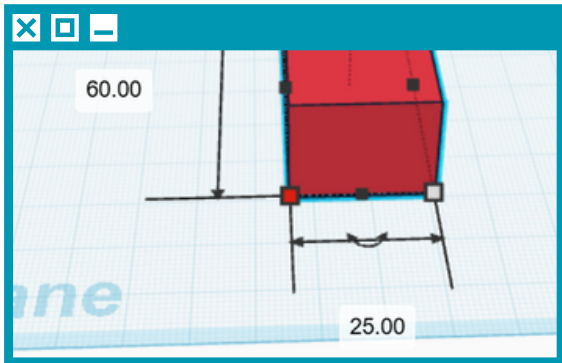


Select multicolor.

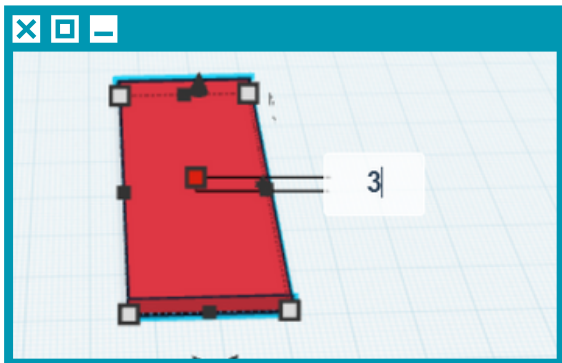
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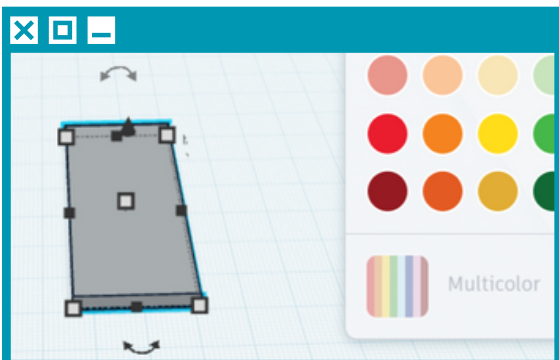
Drag a box shape onto your workplane.



Change its dimensions to 60 mm and 25 mm.



And change height to 3 mm.



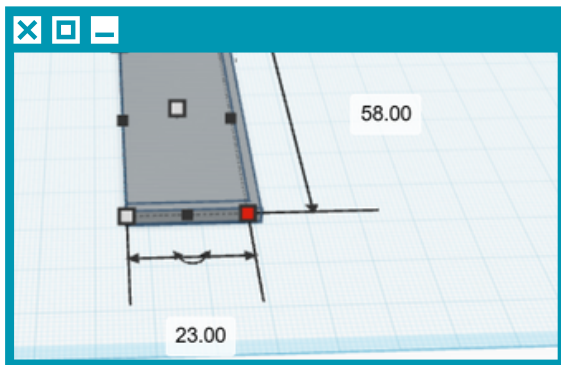
Change shape color.



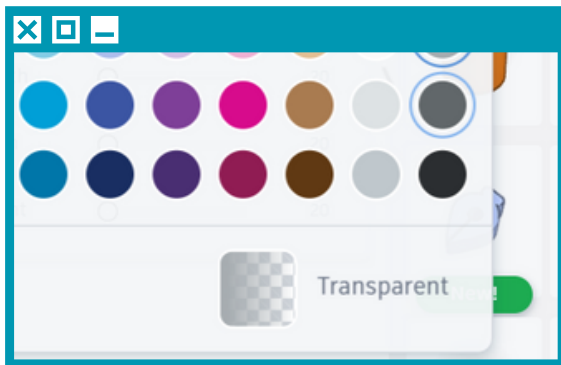
Duplicate and repeat
Ctrl + D

Click to duplicate and repeat.

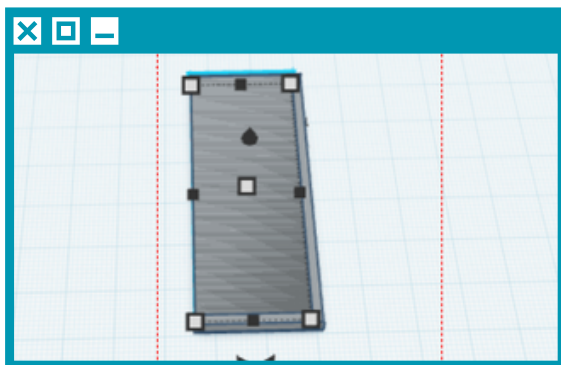
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Change the dimensions of the second shape to 23 mm and 58 mm.



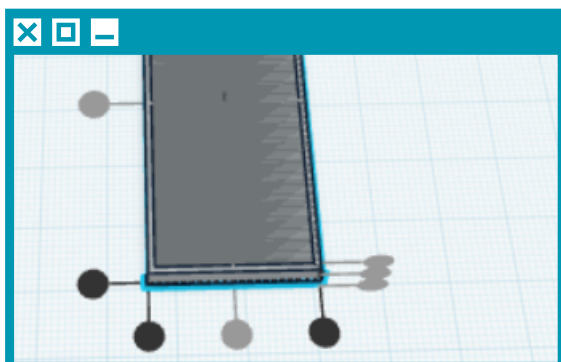
Select transparent.



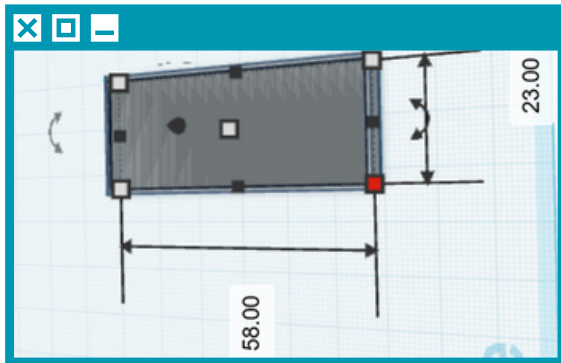
Select both shapes.



Click to align.



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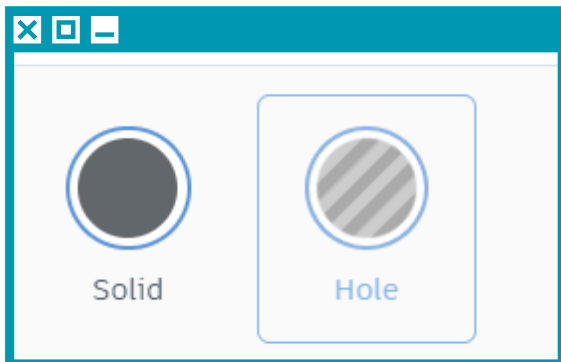


Select the transparent shape.

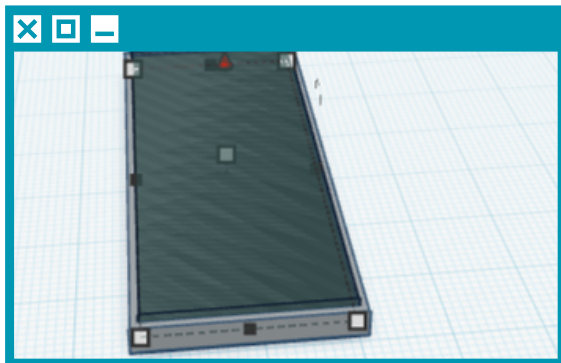


Click to duplicate and repeat.

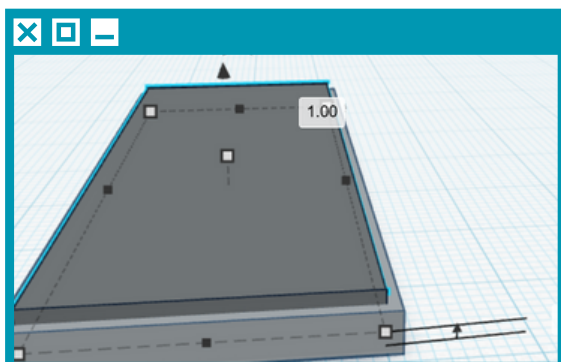
Duplicate and repeat
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Make the duplicated object a hole.



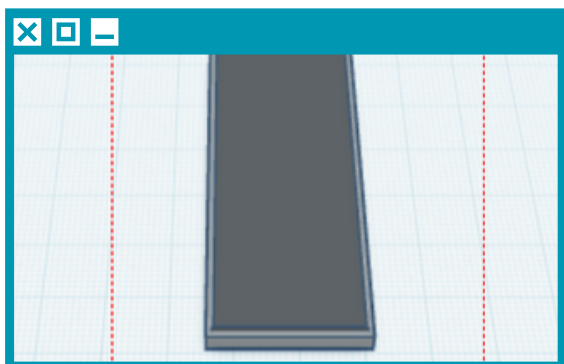
Select the hole and the grey object. To do that you click on the hole shape and then you click Ctrl and the grey shape. You should not select the transparent shape as well because you do not want it to be deleted.



Group them.

Group
Ctrl + G

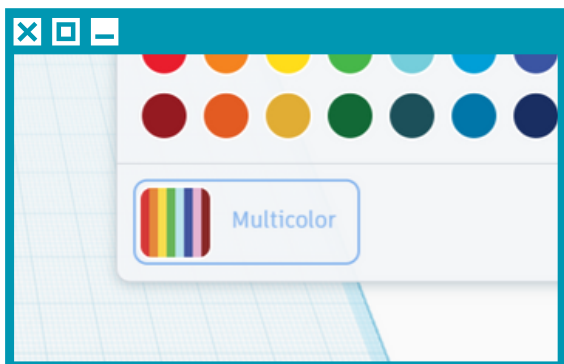
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Select both shapes.

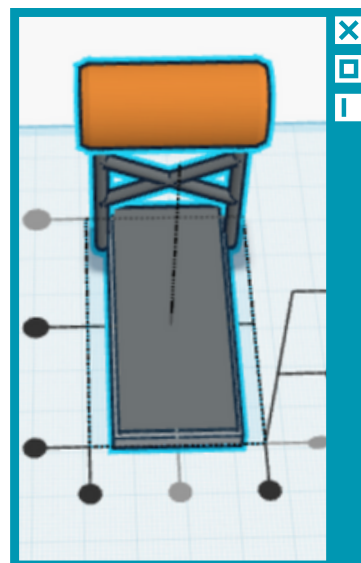
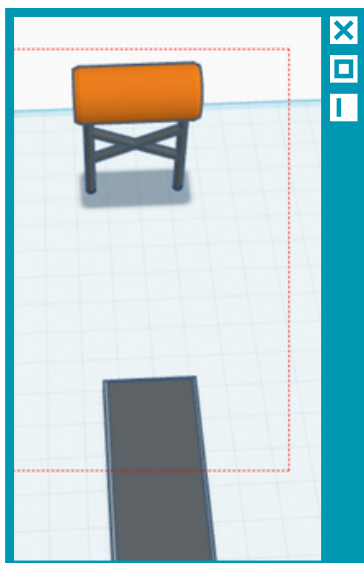


Group them.

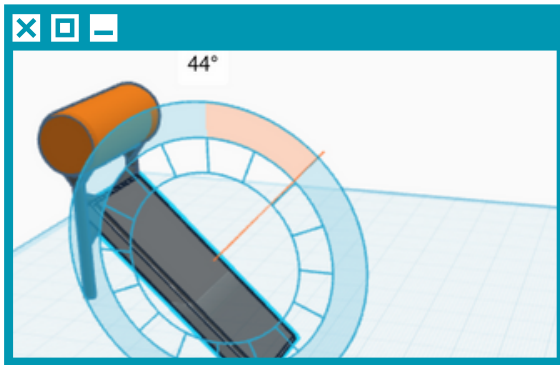


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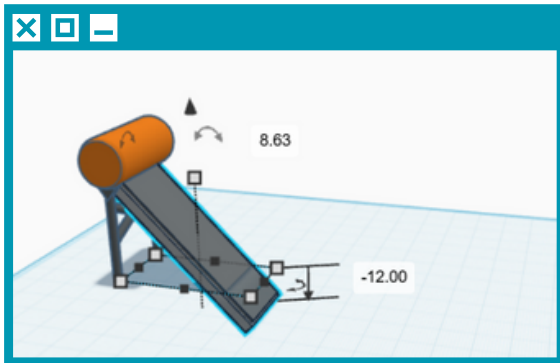
Select both shapes and align them.



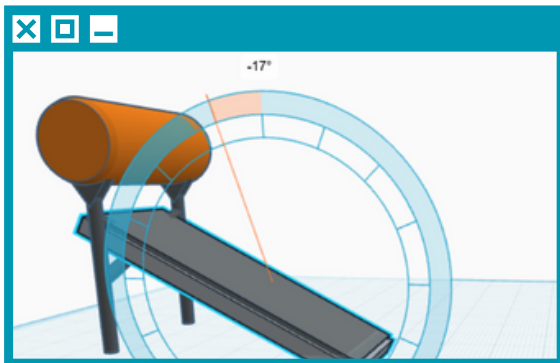
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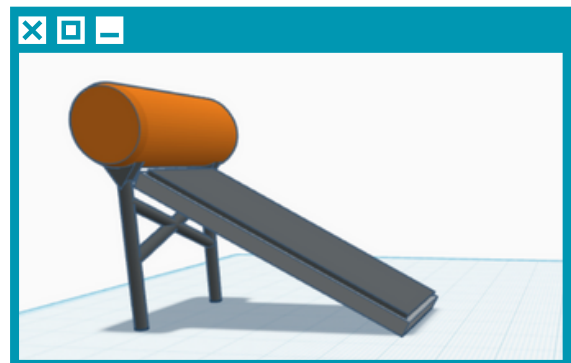
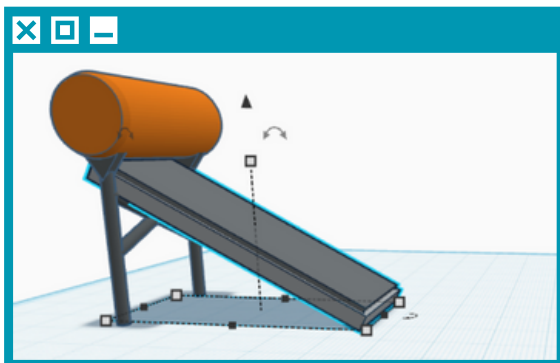
Rotate the grey shape.



Lift it up so that it touches the workplane. You could also click D.



Rotate again, until it looks like it is shown here.



And here it is!

CREATE YOUR CLASS IN TINKERCAD

Till now, you have created a personal Tinkercad account where you can create your designs.

Now, you want your students to be able to design in Tinkercad.

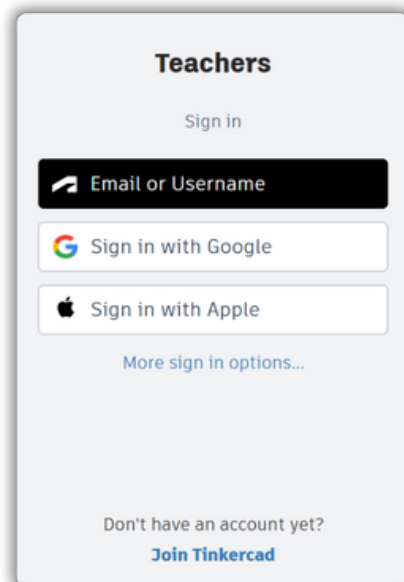
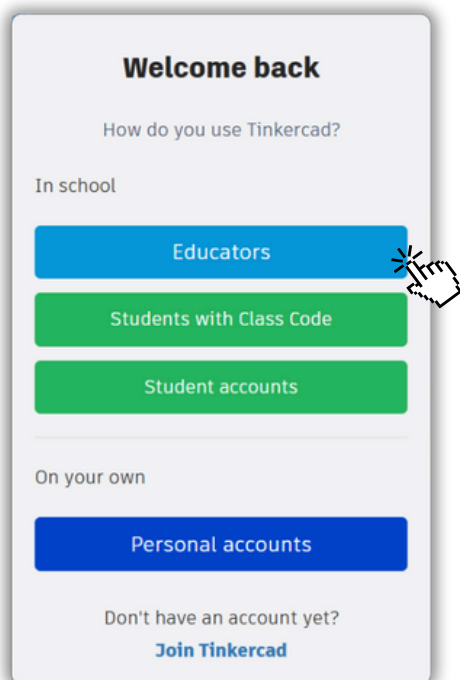
Students could create their own personal accounts, although it requires parental consent, which makes matters a little complex. Also, teachers would like to have an update on what their students are creating.

For this reason, what you should do is create a class (or more) in Tinkercad. In order to do that, first you have to declare that you are an educator. To do that you have to complete the following steps:

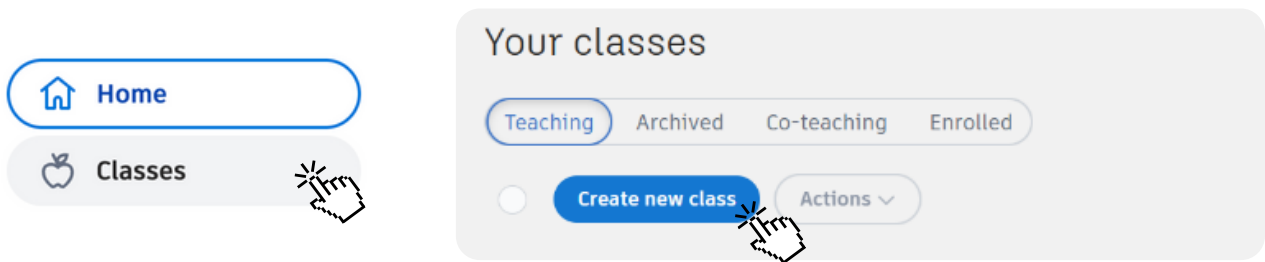
First, you log out of your Tinkercad account.



This time you click on Educators; Sign in with your Google account or with any other way you signed in the first time, continue with permissions etc. until you are in Home page.



Once you are in home page of Tinkercad, click on classes tab in the left menu. Proceed to create new class.



Give a name to your class and select the relevant grade and a subject. Continue to create class.

Create new class

Class name (required)
Enter class name

Grades/ages (required)
Select a grade

- Grades K-2 (ages 5-8)
- Grades 3-5 (ages 8-11)
- Grades 6-8 (ages 11-14)
- Grades 9-12 (ages 14-18)
- University (ages 18+)

Off

Cancel Create class

Create new class

Class name (required)
Enter class name

Grades/ages (required)
Select a grade

Subject
Select a subject

- Architecture
- Art
- Computer Science / Coding
- Design / 3D Design
- Electronics

Cancel Create class

Add students to your class

First, follow the steps and accept the student data and privacy notice.

Students joining via email or Google can use your class link - copy the share link to invite them. If students don't have email or are underage, you can create a Seat for them.

Add the full name of the first student and a nickname associated with it.

The image shows two screenshots of the 'Add students' interface. The left screenshot is the 'Add individually' form, which has a title bar with a close button. It features two tabs: 'Add individually' (selected) and 'Add in bulk'. Under the 'Student' section, there is a text input field with the placeholder 'E.g. Maria L.' and a 'Login code' section with a text input field and placeholder 'E.g. MarL632'. At the bottom are 'Cancel' and 'Add student' buttons. The right screenshot is the main 'Add students' page for 'Class: VR4Clima Class E1'. It includes a section for 'Students with Tinkercad accounts' with a privacy notice. Below that is an 'Add a student Seat' section with a 'Save Changes' button. At the bottom are 'Paste a list of students' and 'Back to class' buttons. Hand cursor icons point to the 'Add student' and 'Save Changes' buttons.

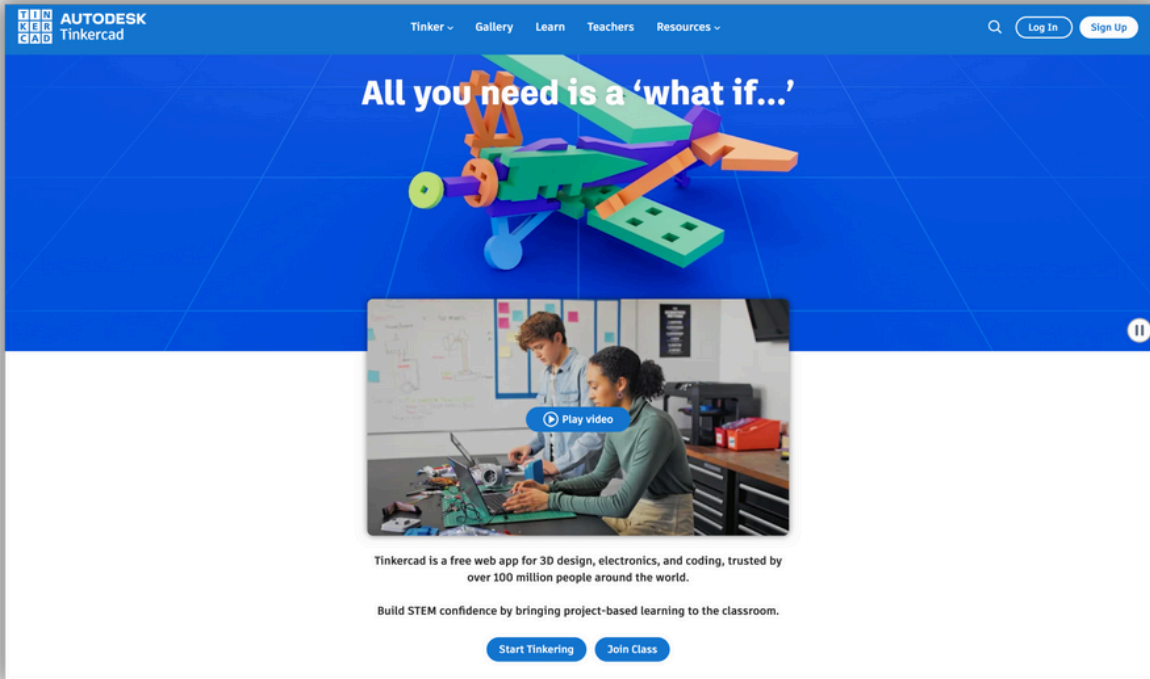
Once you have added all your students, click on class roster.



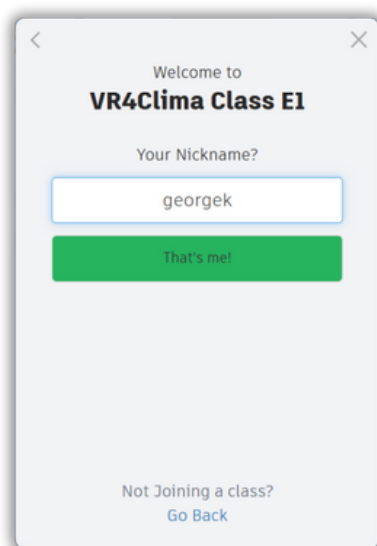
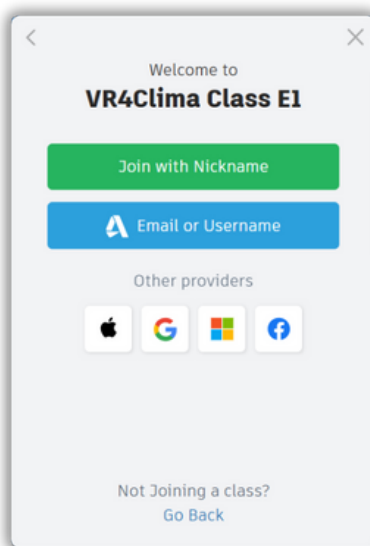
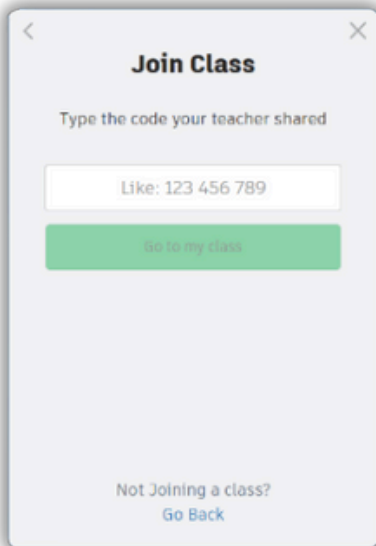
That way, the new page will open where you can print the list and cut out a strip to give each student their credentials in order to enter the class.



Let's see your students' interface now.

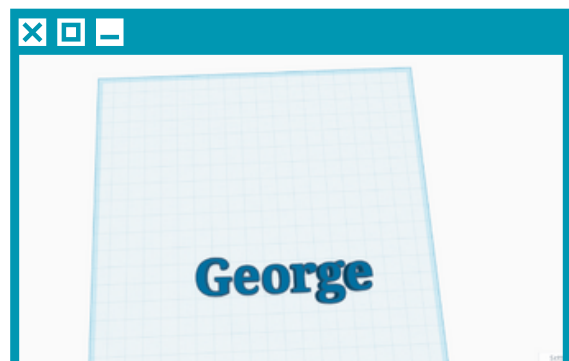


Have your students go to Tinkercad website and click on button to join class. In the pop-up window, they have to type in the class code they got from you and follow the steps.



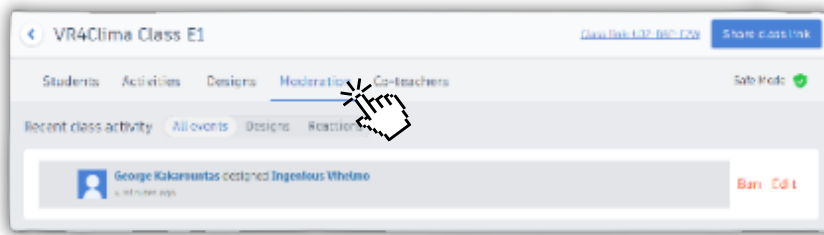
They can create a new design or click on an activity you have added.

Let's suppose that this student created his name in 3D. In the next steps we will see how teacher can access it.



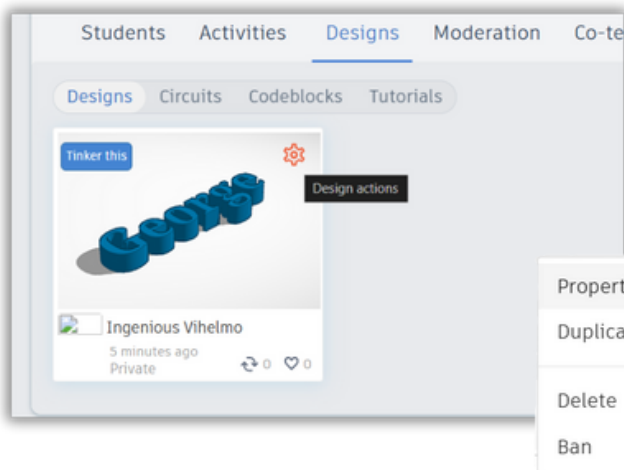
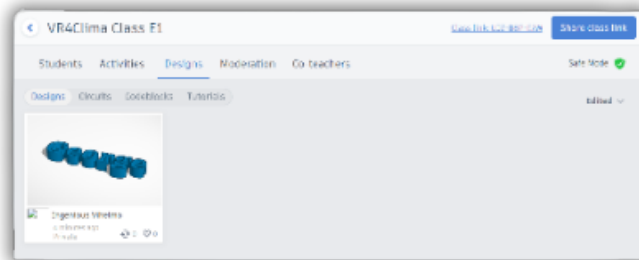
Let's go back to the educator's interface

We will see how the teacher can access the students' designs.



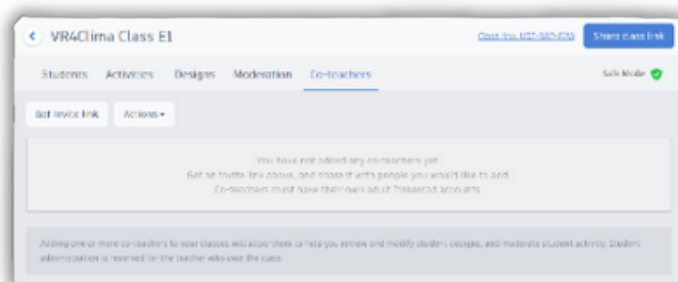
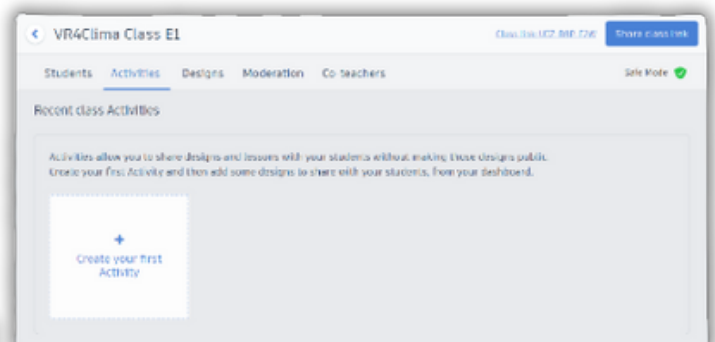
When you click on the moderation button, you can see your students' activity.

When you click on the designs button, you can access your students' designs.



If you click on the design actions, you can duplicate, delete or ban it and also you can add properties.

You can create structured activities for your students. And invite co-teachers by sending them an invite link.



Good luck!

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