

# Clipping Masks in Adobe Photoshop TYPE

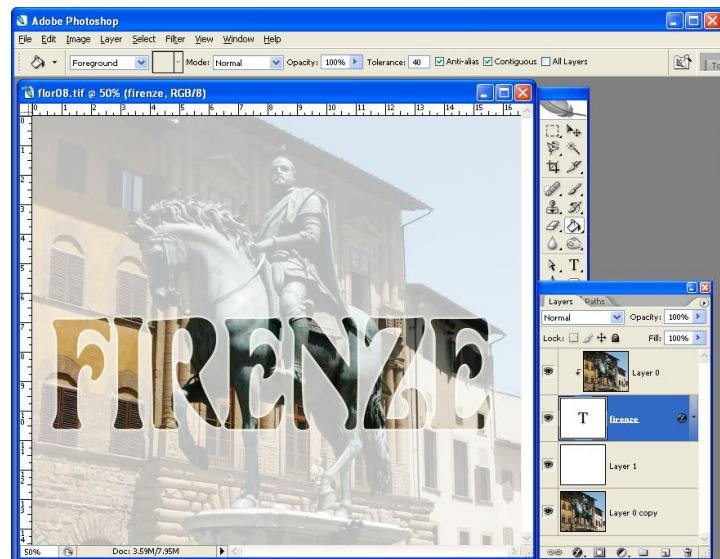
Often, when creating images in Photoshop, you'll want one layer to take on the shape of another. For instance, in the example: the words contain a photograph inside them.



1. Open up a New Document (File-New) after opening Adobe Photoshop- U.S. Paper. Or if you photos are smaller create a Width 7 inches Height 5 inches Resolution 200 dpi
2. Create a new layer (Layer-NEW-Layer or Click on the little paper icon at the bottom of the LAYERS Window) and fill it with white using the paint bucket, this will be our background. (You may change this later)
3. Create a new layer and on it type your text in black. (the size and font are for you to decide. You may make it taller/thicker with the move tool).  
*The **text layer is the base layer**, which will act as the mask that will make everything on the masked layer visible.*
4. Open up the photograph you will be using behind the text. Copy and Paste it into the New Document. Make sure it is above the text layer in Layers Window.
5. Now we will create our **clipping mask** with these 2 layers. To do this **GO to LAYER- CREATE CLIPPING MASK or Right Click on the Photograph layer and choose Create Clipping Mask**.
6. Now, you can move the photograph around underneath to fit the right spot. GO to the MOVE Tool and make sure the photo's Layer is highlighted. Drag the photo to where you want it to stay.
7. You can double click on the TEXT LAYER to add effects on the text (shadows/outer glow)

Click on the photo layer and duplicate it. Then right click and Release the Clipping Mask. Lower the opacity of of this layer and try dragging it underneath the Text layer ( just above Layer 1).

You may also paste in a different photograph to the background. Make sure it is lower in the layers window than the clipping mask.



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2. Uses 2 separate photographs- 1 for the background and 1 for the clipping mask with text or a shape

Save them in your photography folder as .jpgs and email them to me [etonon@psd202.org](mailto:etonon@psd202.org). Each one is worth 10 pts for a total of 15 pts.

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5pts Exceptional      4pts Good      3pts Satisfactory      2 pts Minimal    1 pt Developing

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