

Anatomy of a Letter

Spur

A small projection that veers off the main stroke on many capital G's



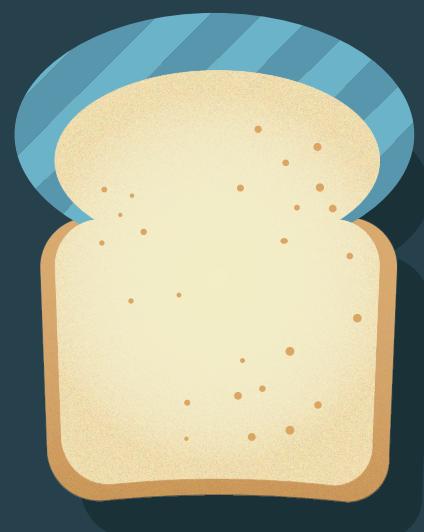
Counter

The enclosed space in the letters like o, b, d, and a. Also created by bowls



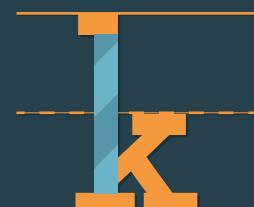
Bowl

A stroke that creates an enclosed curved space, like in the letters d, b, o, D, and B



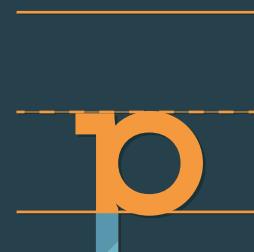
Stem

The main vertical stroke in upright characters. Also the first diagonal in "A"



Descender

A vertical stroke that extends downwards below the x-height



Ascender

A vertical stroke that extends upwards over the x-height

