

Photoshop Elements Tutorial

Making Rollover Mouse Buttons

(for your web page)

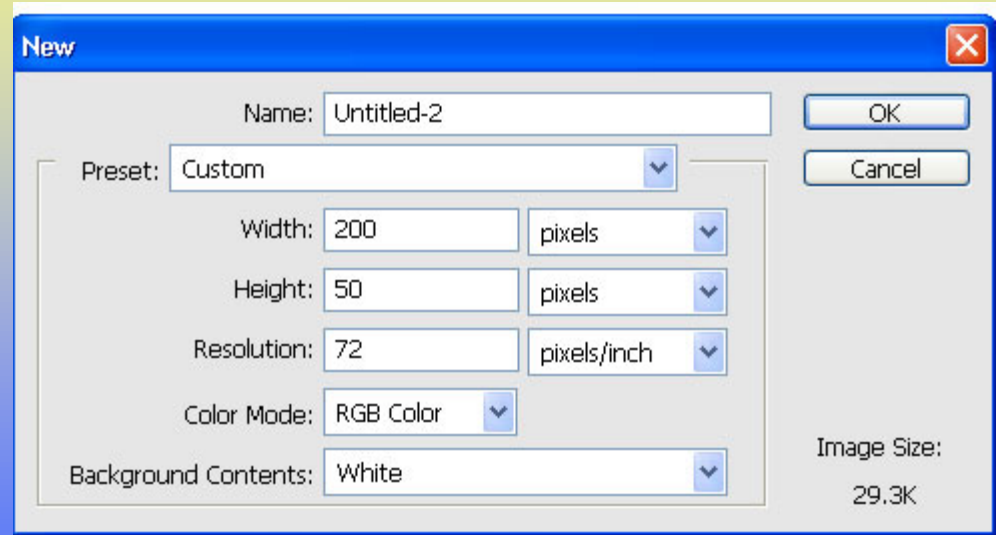
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Making a button

- Open Photoshop Elements
- Look for the **File** and choose **New**

Making buttons

- Choose width of 200
- Choose height of 50
- Leave untitled
- White bkgd



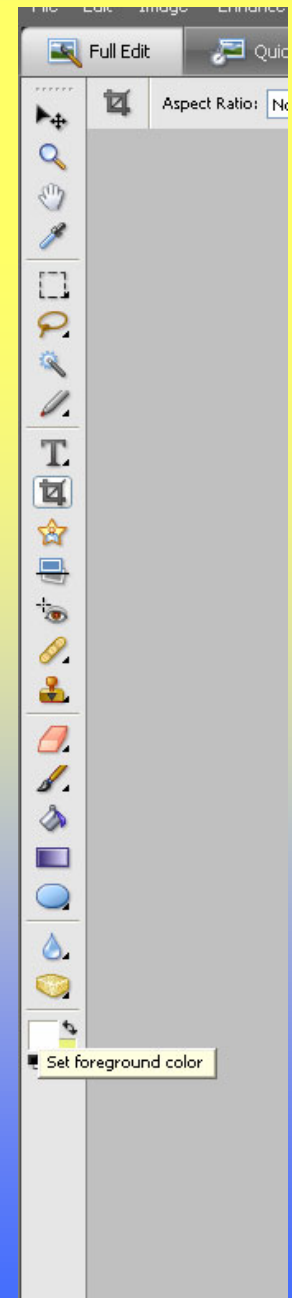
Making buttons

- Your button should be white and look similar to this



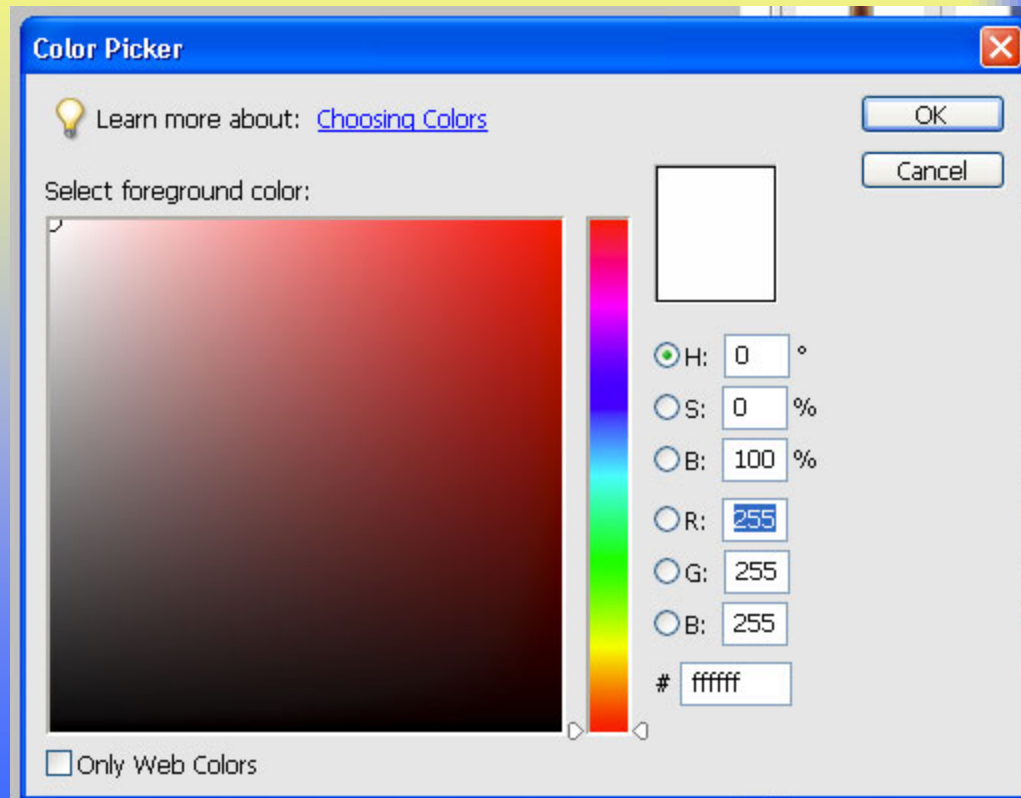
Making buttons

- Set foreground color
- I chose a blue
- At least I think it is blue



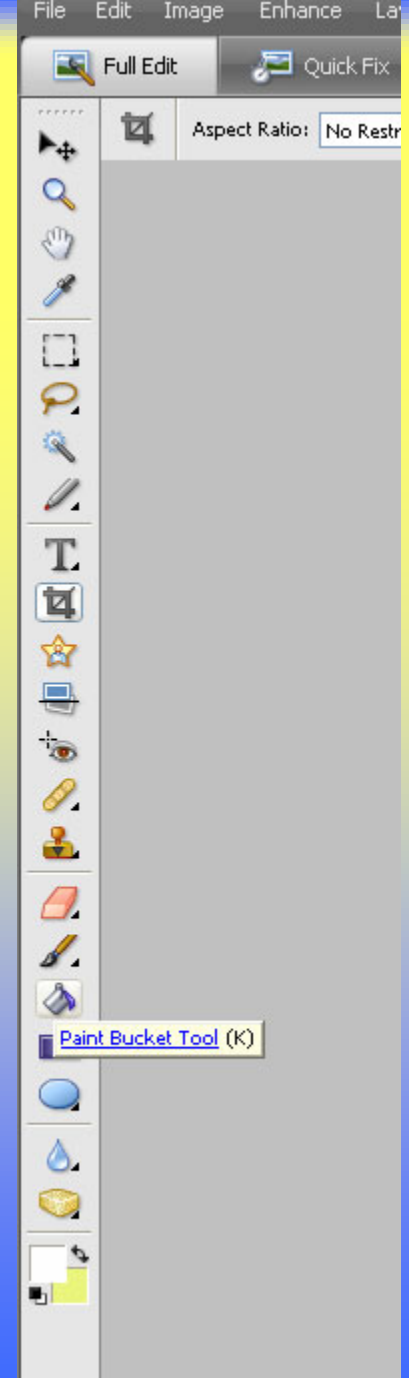
Making buttons

- The color picker



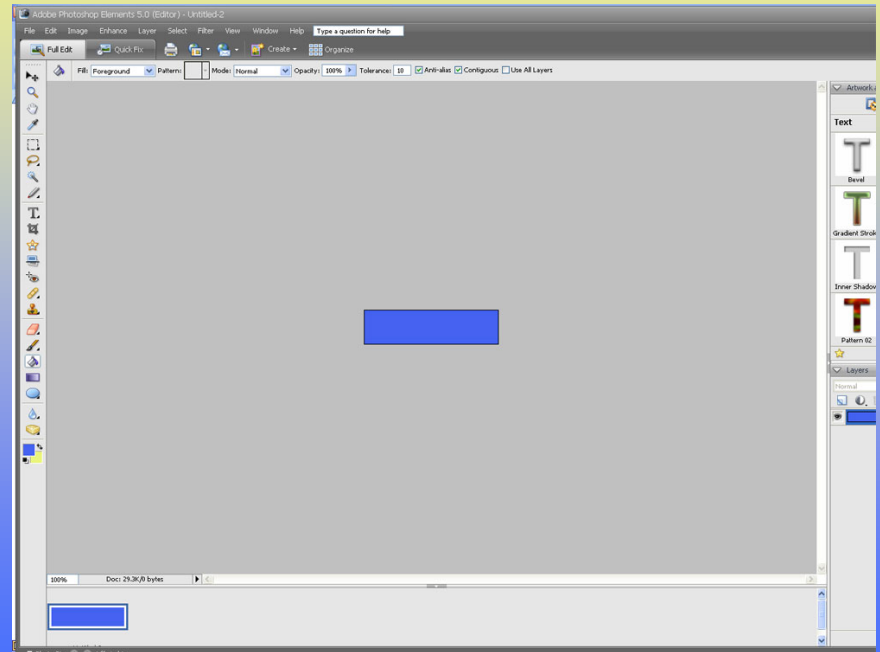
Making buttons

- Click the paint bucket from your tool palate
- Click on your white button

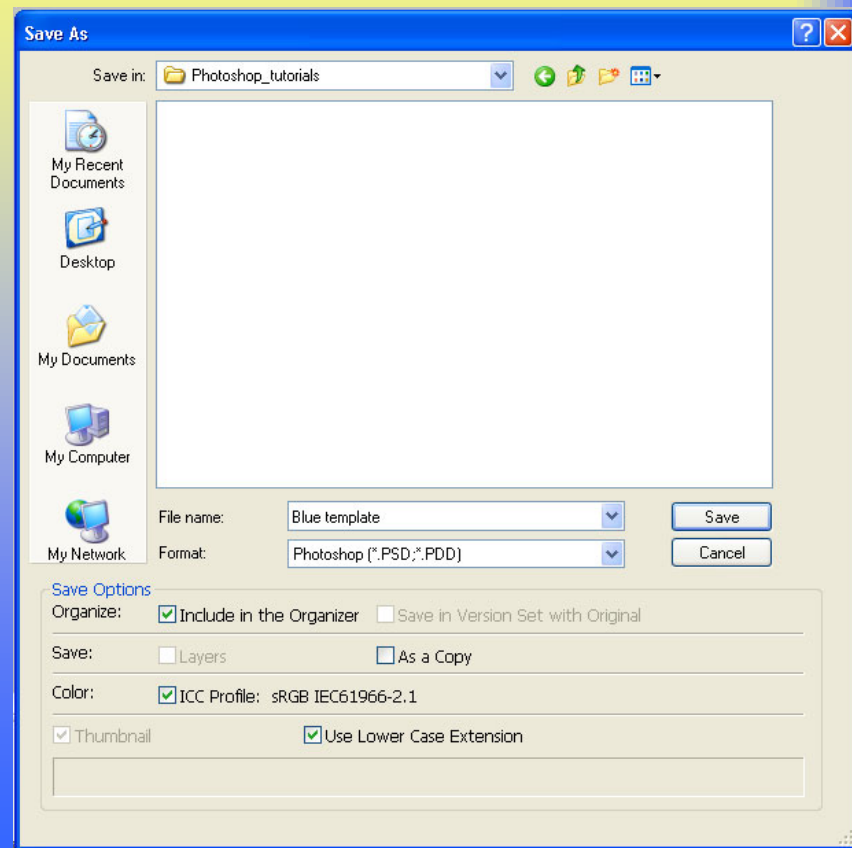


Making buttons

- Your button should be blue (or slightly purple?)

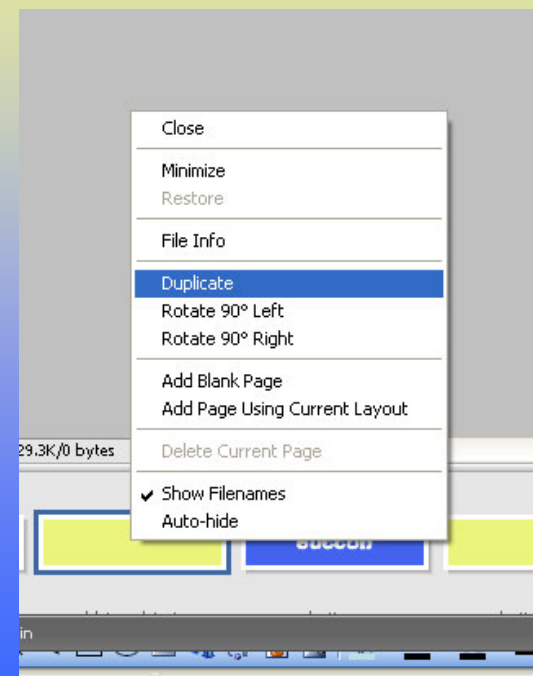


- Save it as a .jpg
- Right now it would be saved as a .psd
- Click the drop down arrow and change it



Making buttons

- Now change color by making a duplicate
- In your Photo Bin (at bottom) right click and choose duplicate from the menu
- You should now have 2 buttons



Making buttons

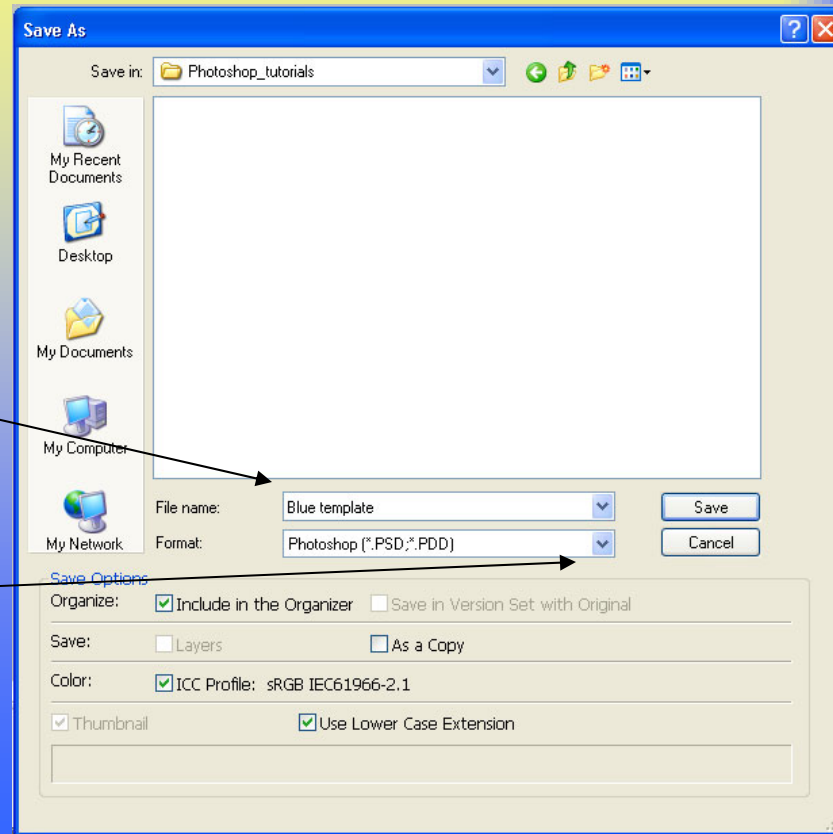
- Change the color of your button
- Try to pick a contrasting color
- I choose a yellow sort of gold (I think?)
- Then File- Save As (be sure to save it as a .jpg) with a different name

Making buttons

- I always use the same name as the first button followed by `_ro`

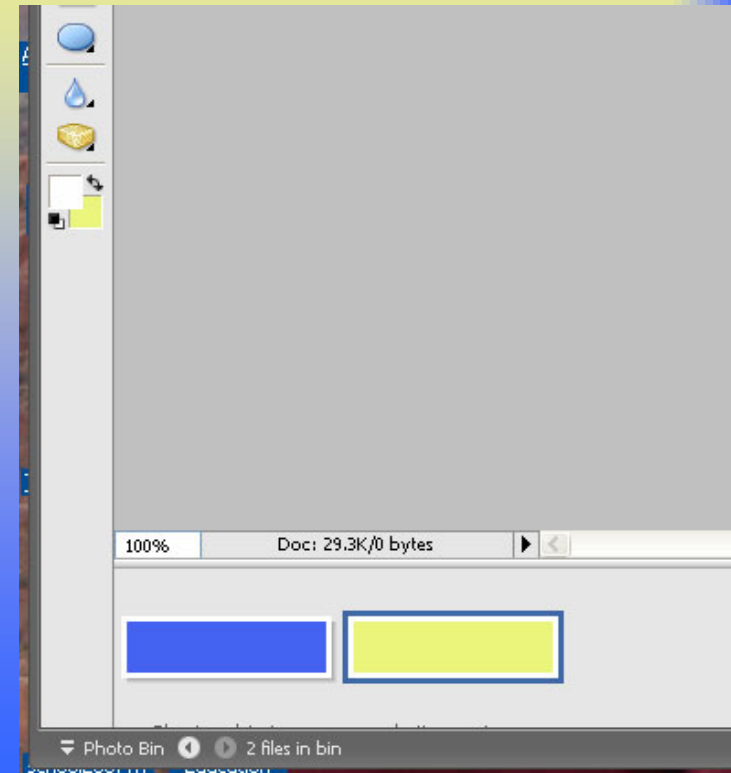
Same name `_ro`

Choose `.jpg` here



Making buttons

- You should now have 2 buttons saved and visible in the Photo Bin
- Notice the yellow is selected
- It is the active pic

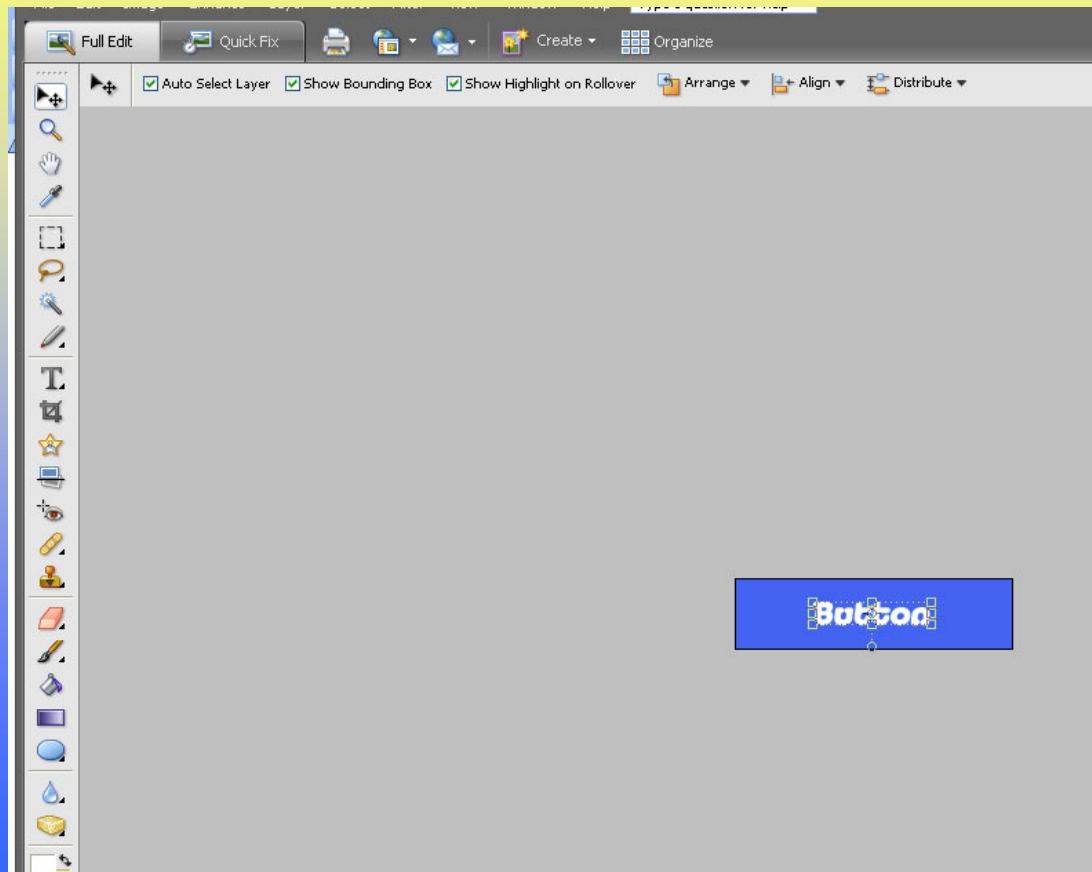


Making buttons

- Click on the T on the tool palate
- Notice the top bar changes
- Type “Button” into the blue box
- Move to the arrow key and click on it
- Notice the text is now surrounded by lines

Making buttons

- Use your mouse or your arrow keyboard keys to center the text.



Making buttons

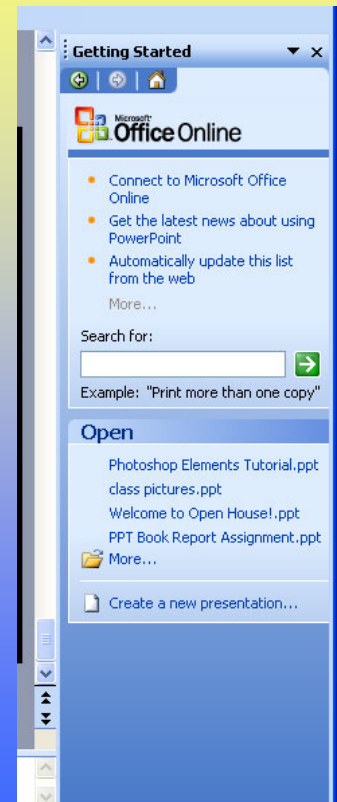
- Now do the same to the yellow button
- Now you ask, how did I do the black outline?



Button

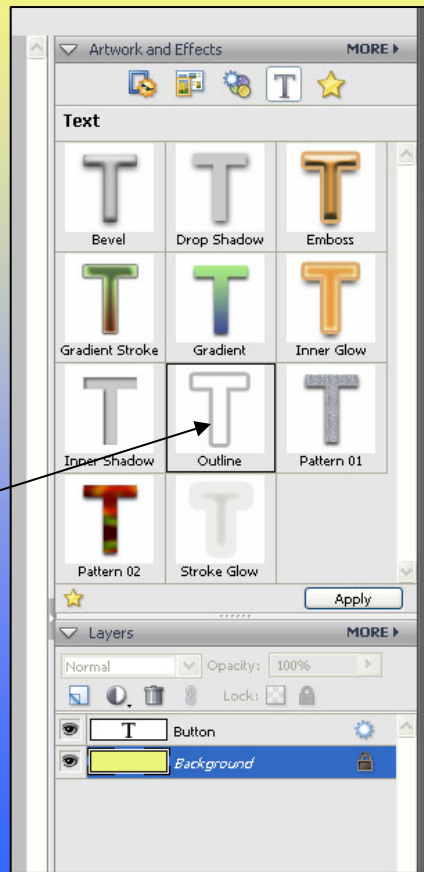
Making buttons

- After you type your word and before you select the arrow key, you must change the task pane on your right.
- Use the upside down triangle at the top right to find “SLIDE LAYOUT”



Making buttons

- Double click on any T to see the effect
- For our purpose, double click “OUTLINE”



Making buttons

- Center your text and save both buttons.
- Be sure to save them as .jpg files with different names.

Making buttons

- Congratulations- you have your button all ready to turn into a rollover
- In our next tutorial, we will learn how to take these files and create a simple rollover button
- Look for Dreamweaver- Rollover Tutorial