MASKING IN PHOTOSHOP

DEFINITION
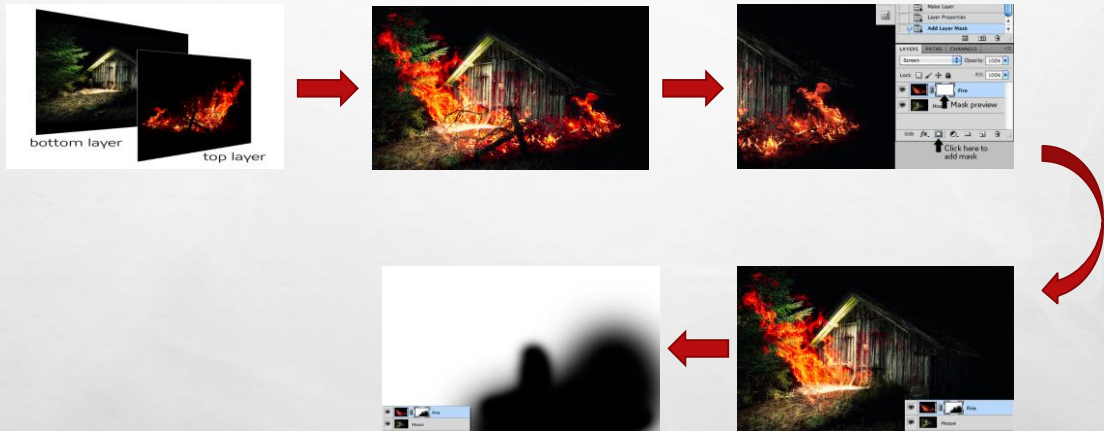
TO APPLY SOMETHING TO A VERY SPECIFIC PORTION OF AN IMAGE.

TYPES OF MASKS

- LAYER MASKS

- VECTOR MASK

- QUICK MASK

- ADJUSTMENT LAYER MASK

- CLIPPING MASK

LAYER MASK

- Could create composite images with discrete graphic elements, applying layer masks to hide or show all or parts of them.

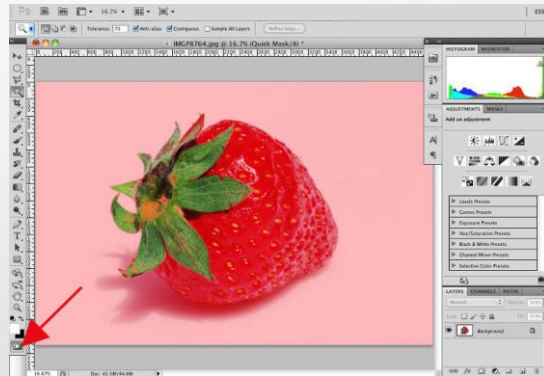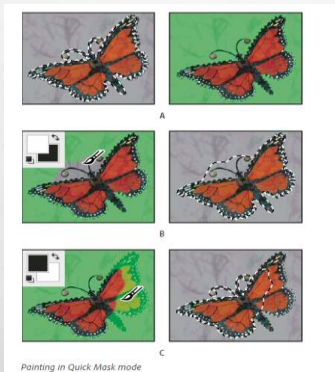- A layer mask consists of a grayscale bitmap.

VECTOR MASK

- Each Adobe Photoshop pixel-based layer can carry a vector mask that limits the visible parts of the layer through a vector clipping path.

- You can turn vector masks visibility on and off in the Layers panel the same way you turn off layer masks.

- If you turn a vector mask into a layer mask, it replaces an existing layer mask or adds one to a layer that doesn't include one.

QUICK MASK

- Capable of being edited just like a layer mask, a Quick Mask provides a temporary pixel-based visualization of a selection.

- The Quick Mask shows partially selected areas in complete detail.

Painting in Quick Mask mode

ADJUSTMENT MASK

- Define which image areas are and aren't affected by an individual adjustment, including :
  - Levels
  - Curves
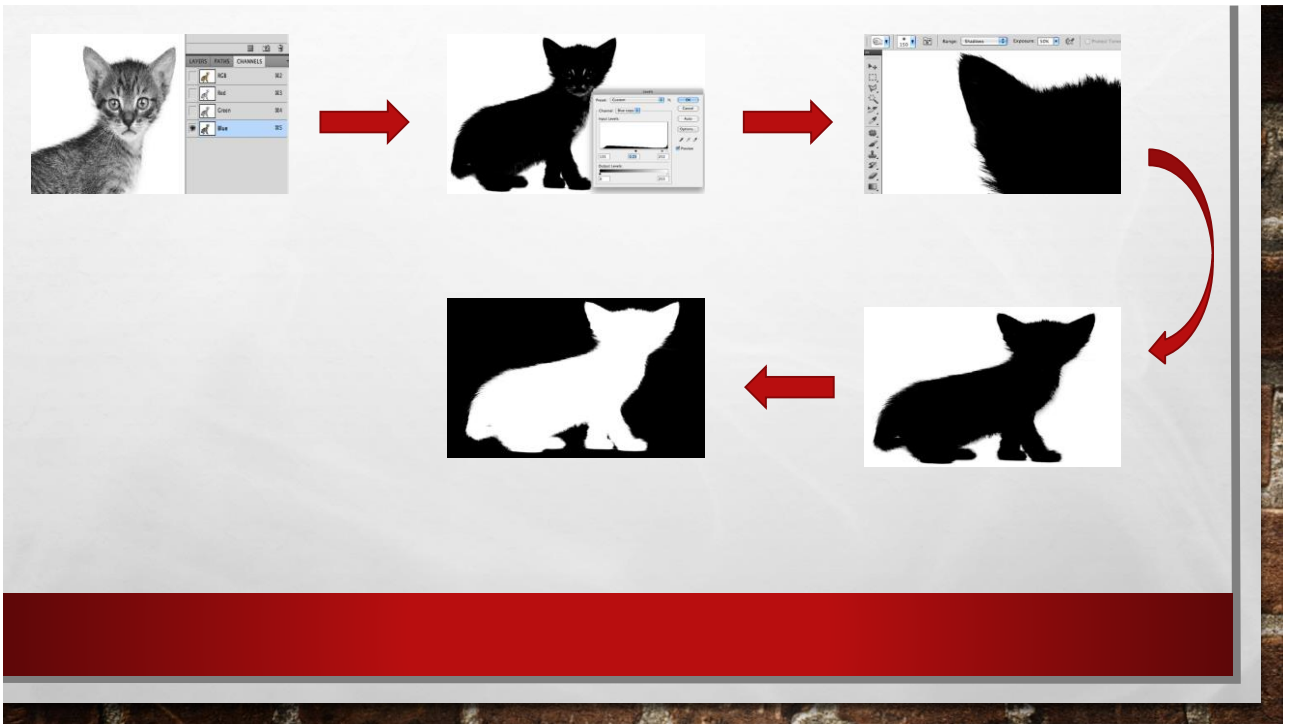 - Hue/Saturation
  - Selective Color

CLIPPING MASK

- Something that you apply to a given layer to control the transparency of that layer

- Any Adobe Photoshop mask can serve as a clipping mask.

- Allows a layer mask or vector mask to apply not only to the base layer on which it's saved, but to any layer above the base in the image's layer stack.
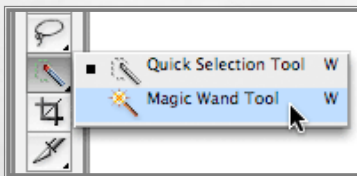
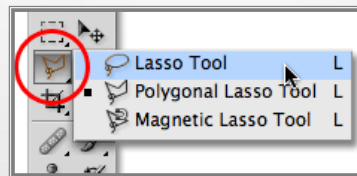# CLIPPING MASKS
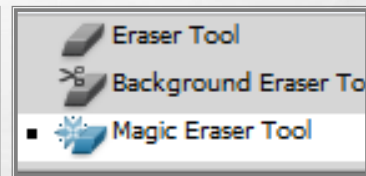

ADVANCED MASKING TECHNIQUES

MASKING TOOL

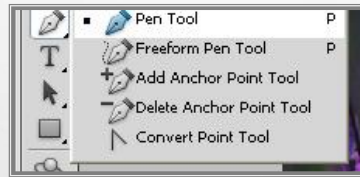
MAGIC WAND & QUICK SELECTION TOOL

LASSO TOOL

MAGIC ERASER TOOL

MASKING TOOL

Pen Tool	P
Freeform Pen Tool	P
Add Anchor Point Tool	
Delete Anchor Point Tool	
Convert Point Tool	

PEN TOOL

THE END