How to Create a Mosaic Text Effect

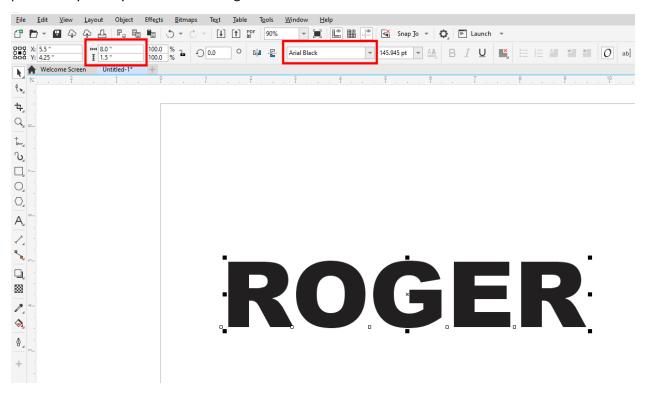
In this tutorial, you will learn how to use the following tools:

- The Text tool
- The Fountain Fill tool
- The PowerClip tool

STEP 1: Create Placeholder Text

Start with a new document that is 11 inches wide by 8.5 inches high. Click on the **Text** tool and type a word. In this example, we will be using the name **Roger**, but you can use any text you like. This will serve as your text placeholder later in this project.

On the property bar, set the font to **Arial Black** and then set its **Object size** to 8 x 1.5 inches. Next, press **P** on your keyboard to set its alignment to center.



STEP 2: Create and Fill Paragraph Text Frame

With the **Text** tool, click and drag to create a paragraph text frame. On the property bar, set the **Object size** to 10 x 6 inches.

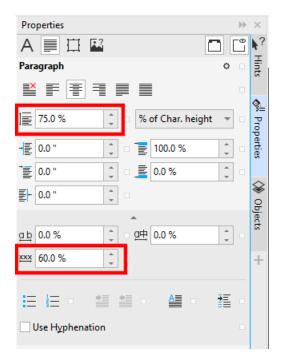
Fill in the paragraph text frame with the same text that you are using for your text placeholder.

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TIP: you can use the **Pick** tool to move the paragraph text frame off to the side of the drawing window, so it is not on top of the placeholder text.

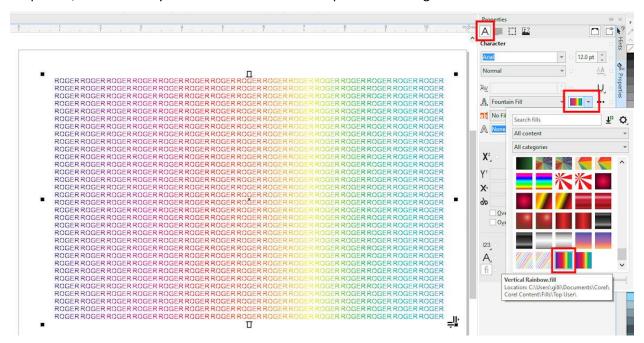
STEP 3: Adjust Paragraph Text Spacing

On the **Properties** docker, click on the **Paragraph** tab. Center the text, then set the **Line spacing** to 75% and the **Word spacing** to 60%.



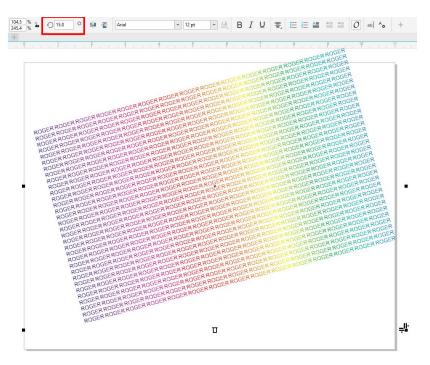
STEP 4: Add a Fountain Fill

On the **Properties** docker, click on the **Character** tab. Set the **Fill type** to **Fountain Fill**. In the **Text Color** dropdown, select the fill you want to use. In this example we are using a rainbow fill.



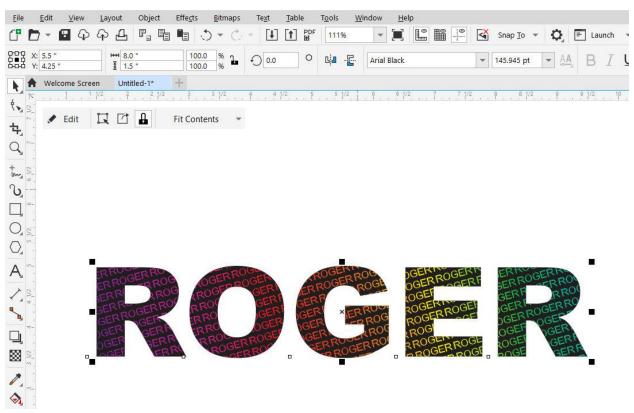
STEP 5: Rotate Paragraph Text Frame

Now we are going to rotate the paragraph text frame by going to the **Angle of Rotation** field on the property bar and setting the value to**15** degrees.



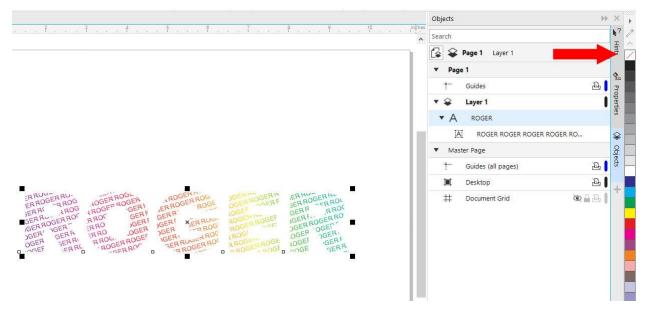
STEP 6: PowerClip

With the paragraph text frame still selected, go to the **Object** menu and select **PowerClip > Place Inside Frame**. Your cursor will become a black arrow – use this to click on the center of your placeholder text created in Step 1.



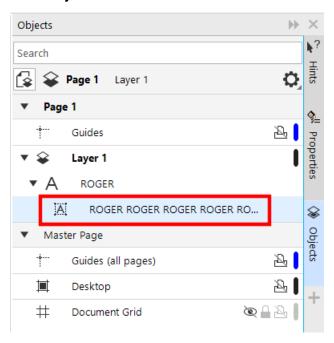
STEP 7: Remove Color

Finally, while the placeholder text is still selected, remove its color by clicking on the **No Color** swatch in the **Color** palette.



STEP 8: Changing the Fill (optional)

If you want to experiment with different looks, you can change the fountain fill. First, make sure you have the paragraph text selected, not the placeholder text. You can do this easily by selecting that layer in the **Objects** docker.



Then on the **Character** tab of the **Properties** docker, select a different fill from the **Text Color** dropdown.

