

Edward Sprafkin - Figure Drawing

Recommended Supply List.

Note: If you already have a favorite drawing tool by all means use it. If you're brand new to drawing I recommend that you use a correctable material such as graphite, pastel pencil, or charcoal pencil. Once you have a firm grasp of the basics there are limitless mark making tools to experiment with including color pencils, fountain pens, brush pens, ink liners, etc.

You can get as invested as you wish with materials, but you can simply use an HB graphite pencil, clipboard, and a ream of standard copy paper to keep it budget-friendly.

You don't have to purchase everything on this list! Decide whether you are going to work with graphite, pastel pencil, or charcoal and shop accordingly.

- ☐ **Bare-bones Practice Paper:** Ream of standard copy paper for graphite and ballpoint.
- ☐ **Newsprint:** 18 x 24 Good for pastel pencils, charcoal pencils, and soft graphite but not acid-free and will turn yellow over time.
- ☐ **Good Multiuse Paper:** 9x12-18x24 Strathmore 300 or Canson Universal Sketch pads.
- ☐ **Fancy Schmancy Papers:** Strathmore Toned Gray or Toned Tan paper is great with graphite, charcoal, and pastel pencil.
- ☐ **Drawing Clipboard:** Suitable for your paper or sketchbook size.
- ☐ **Graphite Pencils:** A small set of wood pencils or HB lead holders 0.5, 0.7, and 0.9.
- ☐ **Charcoal Pencils:** General's HB, 2B, & 4B. You can also purchase pre-packaged sets.
- ☐ **General's White Charcoal pencil** if working on Strathmore Toned papers.
- ☐ **Pastel Pencils:** Stabilo CarbOthello chalk-pastel coloring pencils.
- ☐ **Pencil sharpener** for graphite or **razor blade & sandpaper** for charcoal and pastels.
- ☐ **Kneaded Eraser**
- ☐ **White Plastic Eraser:** mostly used for graphite.