

# Bubble Letters



Grades 3-8

# What are Bubble Letters?



Probably most of you have seen this style of lettering, it's basically a lettering style where the letters look puffy and bloated kinda like bubbles – hence the name.

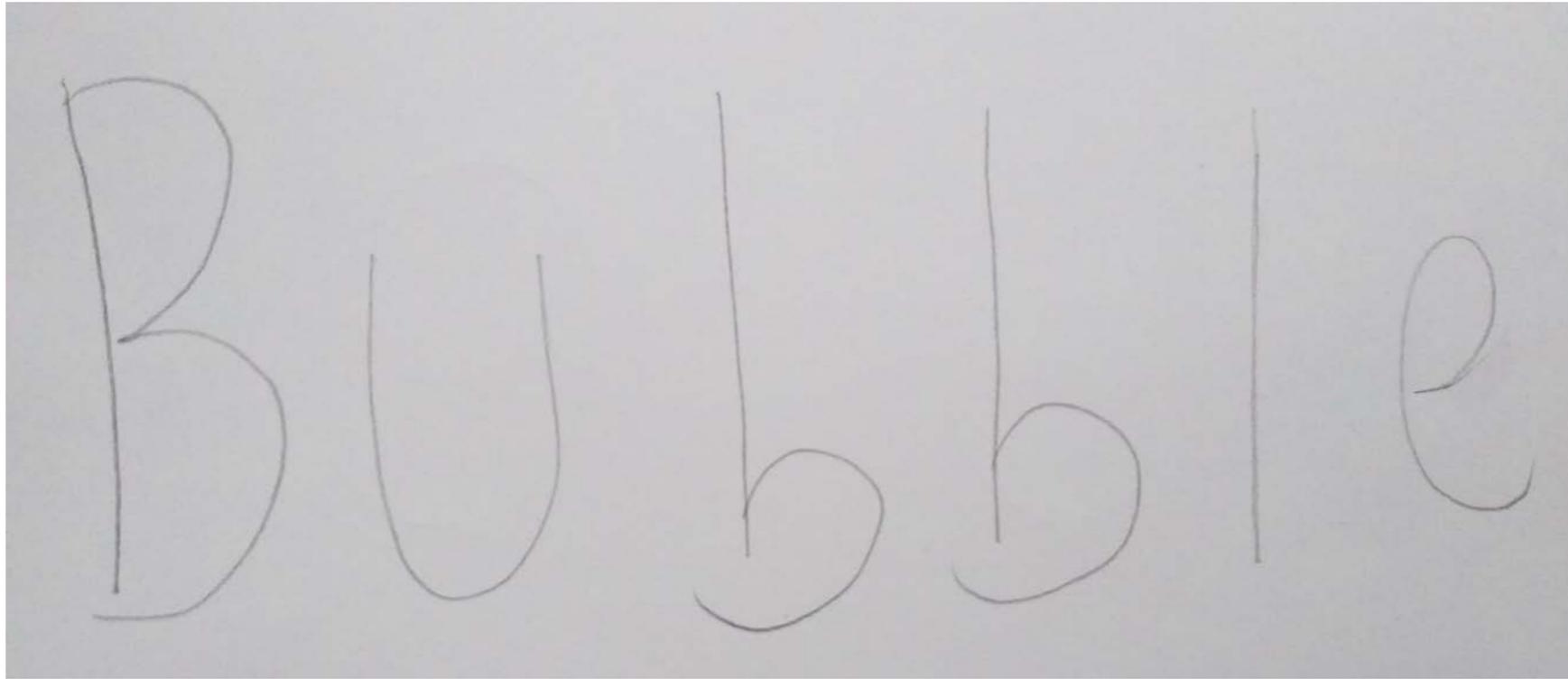
Bubble letters are easy to learn and fun to do, but at the same time without knowing some of the basics, it's easy to get lost in the process.

Bubble letters are also quite popular in graffiti, but in this tutorial, we are going to focus only on how to create bubble letters on paper.

# Supplies needed:

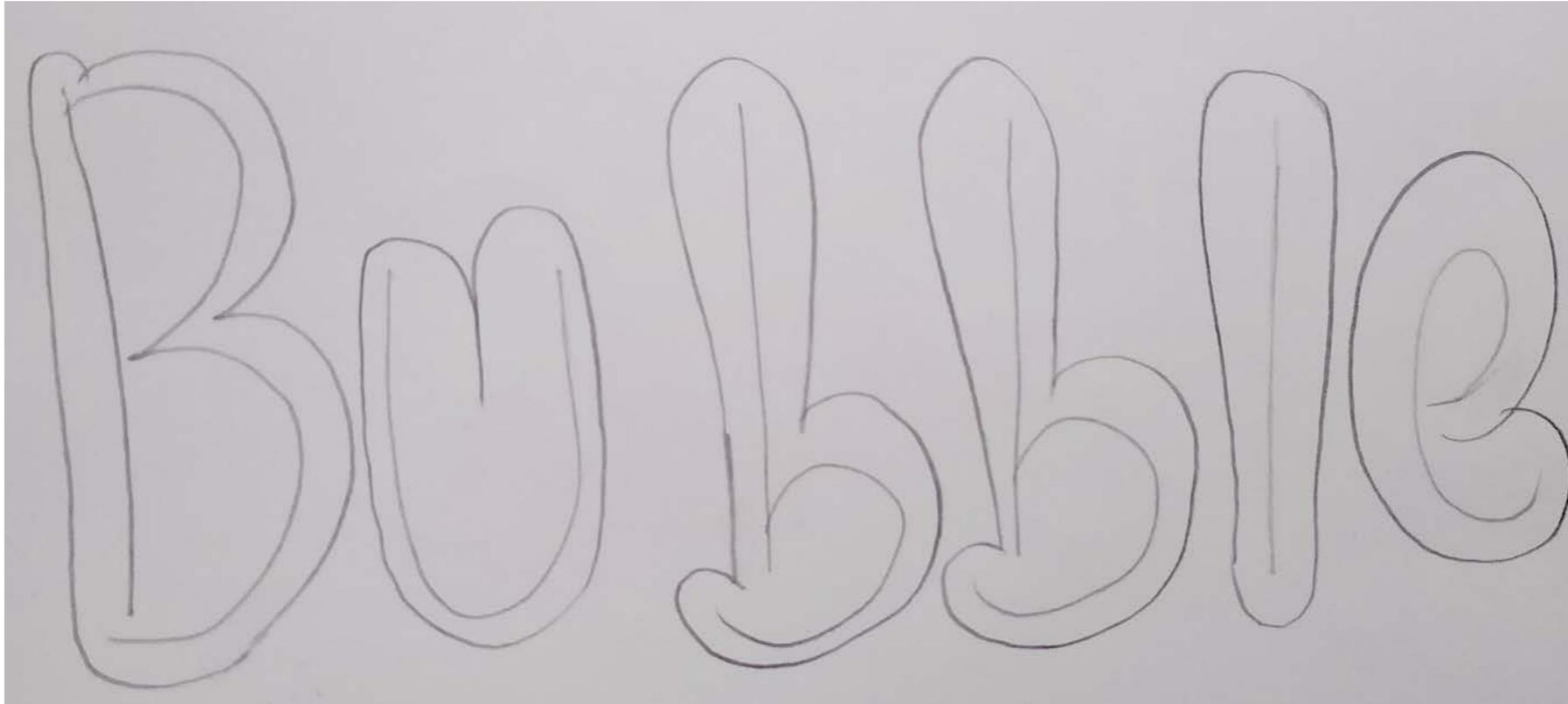
- White paper
- Pencil
- Markers
- Black pen

# Step 1



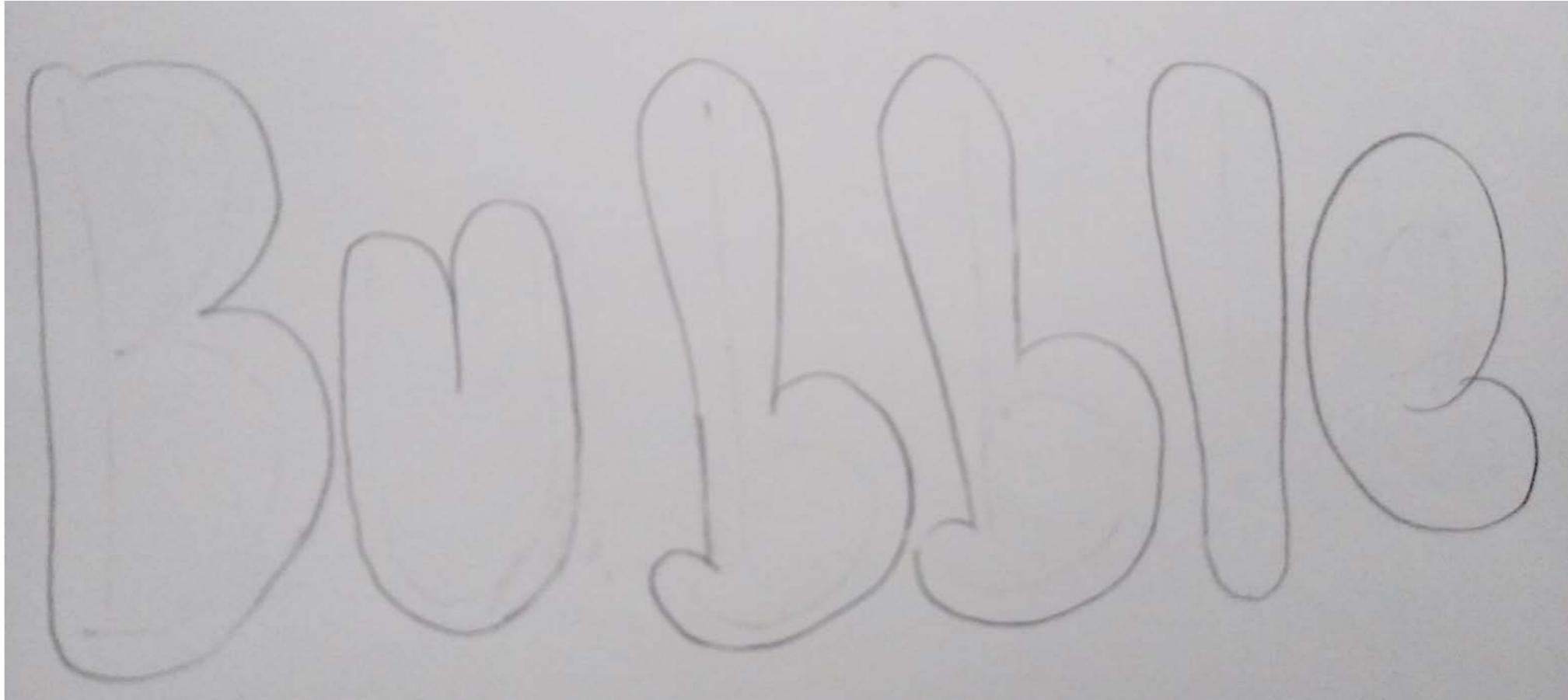
Decide what word you would like to design. It can be a name, favorite thing, or word that is meaningful to you. Begin by drawing your word in basic stick letters, leaving a bit of space in between each letter.

# Step 2



Now outline around the outside of your stick letters using curved lines, no sharp edges for bubble letters.

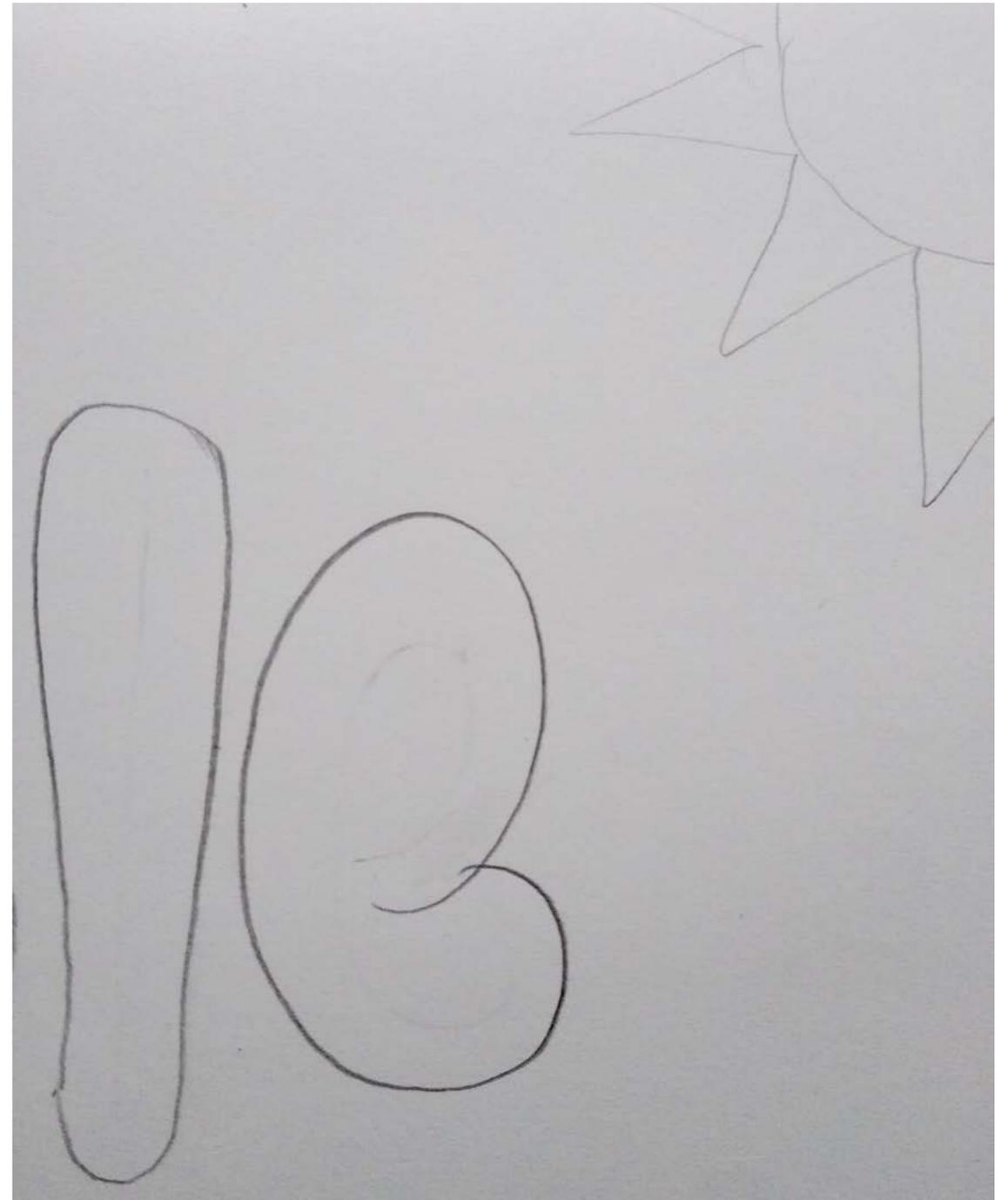
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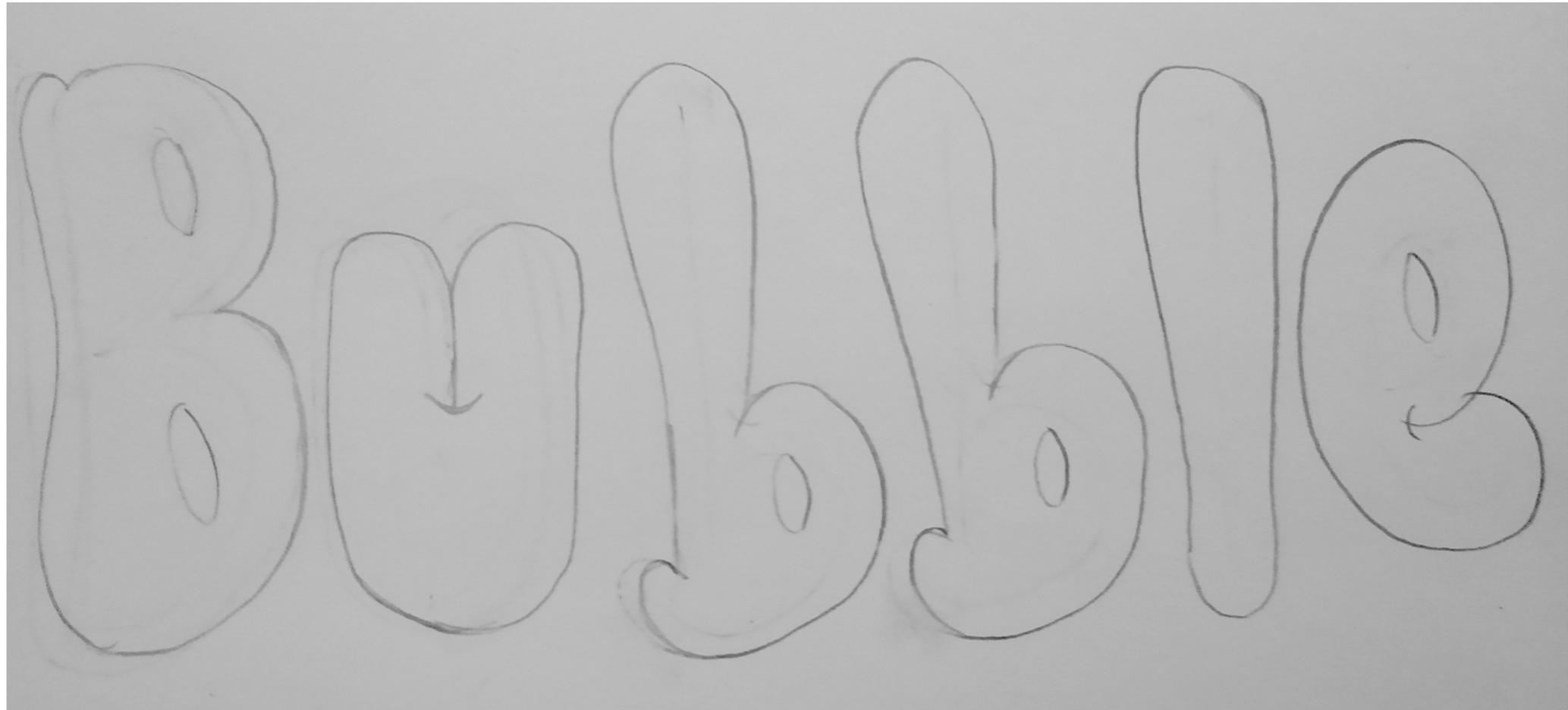
Erase the stick letters you drew in step 1.  
Now you the outline of your bubble letters.  
Make adjustments erasing and adding where you  
see is needed.

# Step 4

Identify your light source. This will help you know where your highlights and shadows should be. I placed my light source (the sun) in the upper right corner, this means my highlights will be on the top left of each letter and my shadows will be behind my letters on the right side.

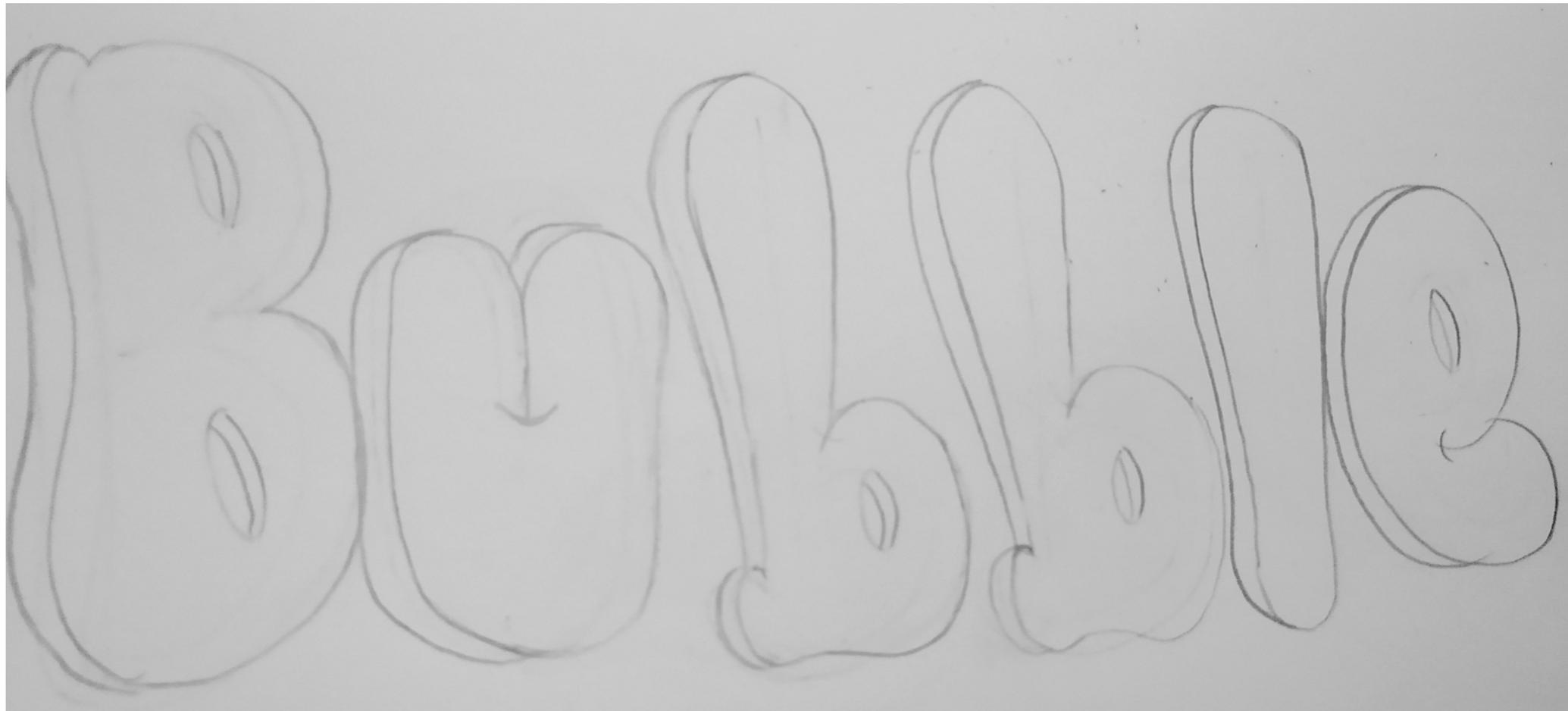


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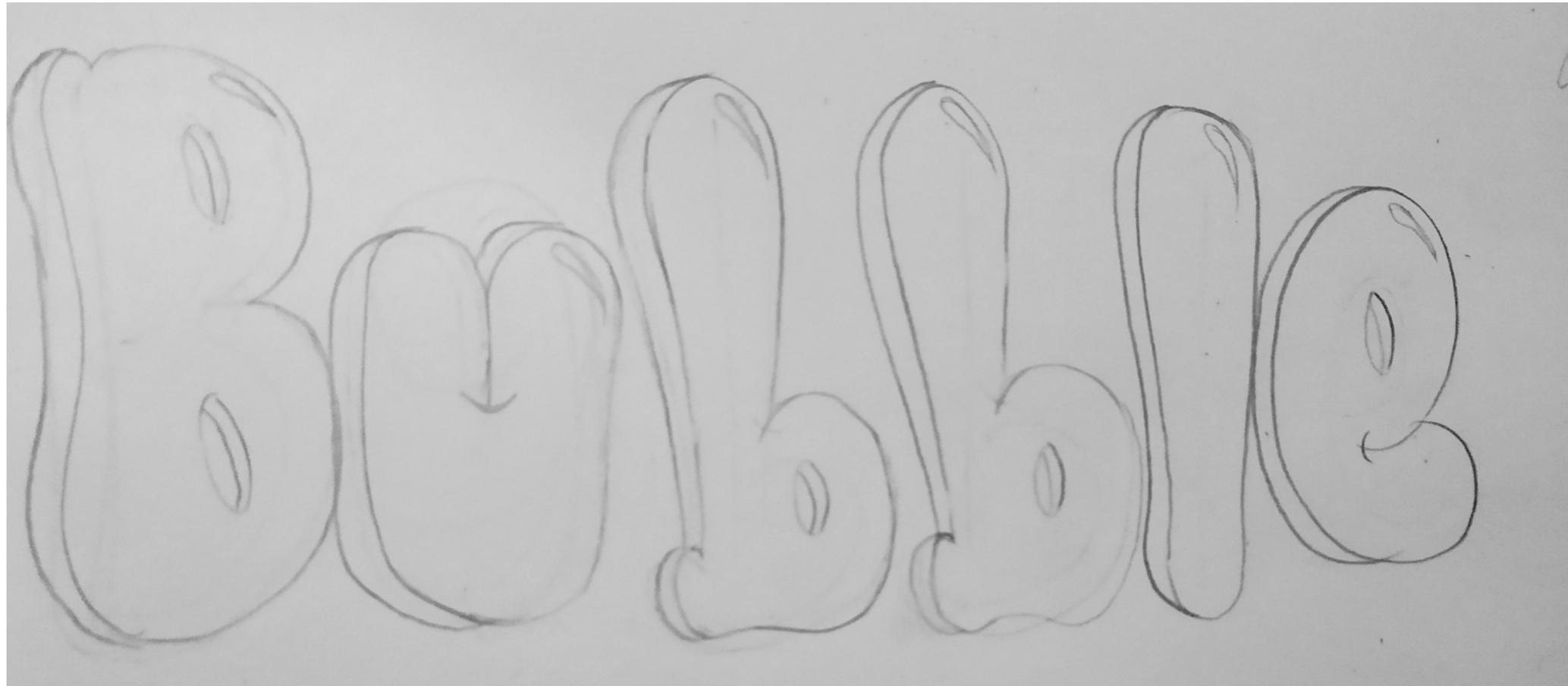
Add oval shapes as openings on letters like “q,a,e,d,g,b,o,p” .

# Step 6



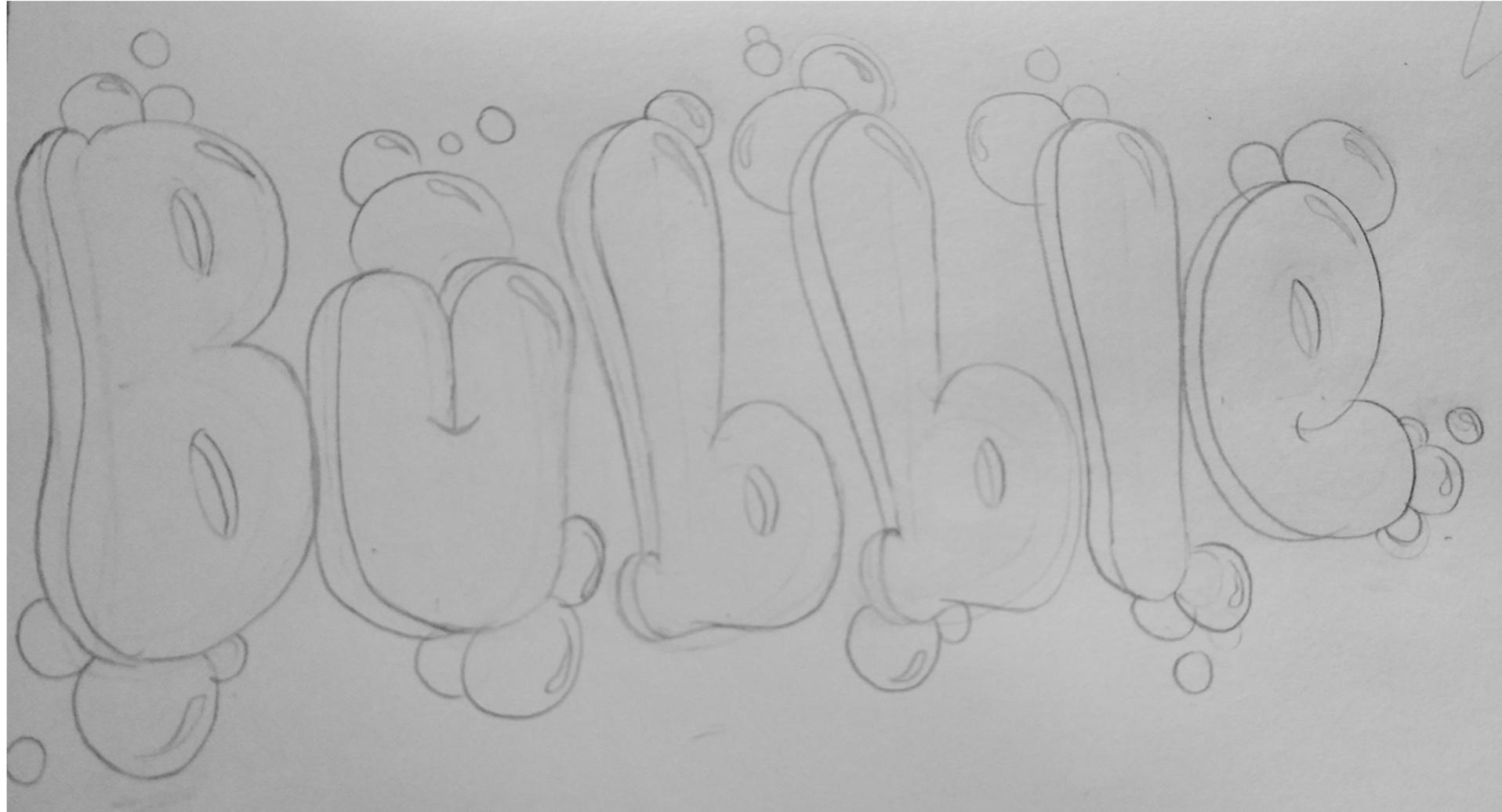
Add shadows to each letter, these will be placed opposite of where you decided your light source is coming from. Since my light source is on the upper right corner I added a semi-bold outline to the left side of my letters and openings.

# Step 7



Time for highlights. Again, depending on where your light source is, your highlights will be placed on your letter on the same side as your light source. My light source is in the top right, so my highlights are going to be on the top right of my letters. Highlights are usually white or a color that is lighter than the base color. I added teardrop like shapes that I will be leaving white for my highlight. You can do this or add a line of a lighter color before u add your base color, if u have gel pens or paint markers these are great for adding highlights on top of color.

# Step 8



Add bubbles around your letters to add to the bubble effect on the letters. You can add highlights to your bubbles too. If you want to customize your letters now is the time. For example; if u drew the word donut, maybe u want to make that “o” into a donut, or if you drew your name and want to add something that represents you such as a crown sitting on one of the letters, go ahead!

# Step 9



Outline your letters and bubbles with black marker.

# Step 10



Choose a color scheme that goes with your theme, color it all in and your done!