BASIC CELTIC KNOT – Using Parallel lines to create an ancient design.

1. Draw a rectangle 14 cm x 18 cm. Divide the rectangle into a grid that is 2 units by 3 units.

2. Draw small circles at the points where the grid lines intersect.

3. Draw small circles in the centre of each unit of the grid.

4. Look for circles that form a diamond. Draw pairs of parallel lines connecting the circles. Make sure you draw the lines on the INSIDE of the circle. Go right to the end of the circle.

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5. Draw a new pair of parallel lines at right angles to the pair you just drew. Make sure they are always PAIRS of parallel lines. Continue in this way until all the pairs have been drawn.

6. Imagine that the strand at the side is turning and sliding under the next strand.

5. Gently round the edges of the side strand so it looks as if it keeps going under the other strand. Repeat for the other side.

6. Curve the corner into a pointed tip. Repeat for each corner.

6. Erase all your guide lines.