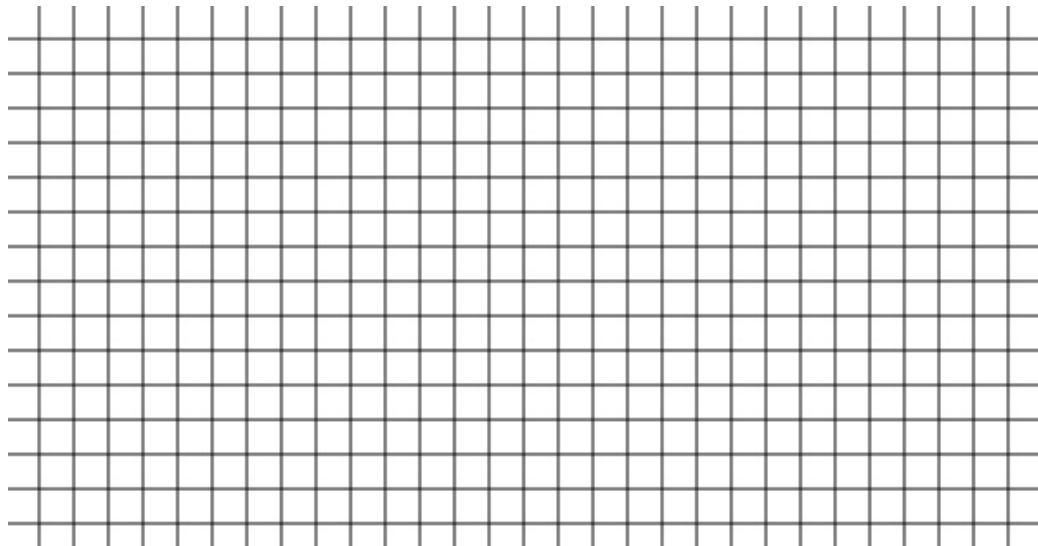




Creating Curb Appeal

1. Select the focal points of the landscape. Use the house's architecture or the area's features to determine where centerpieces are needed.
2. Create the shape of the planting beds, limit straight lines!
3. Think in layers. A general rule of thumb is to have a least three layers and more can be added depending on the size of the beds. Three typical layers are:
 - a. Foundation Planting
 - b. Filler Shrubs
 - c. Color
4. Now add in some texture to the design, using plants that have a different leaf shape or growth habit for contrast. Use these plants to frame groups of filler shrubs or to highlight a particular focal point.
5. Accent the landscape. Pottery, statuary, fountains and ponds all make great garden accents. Be creative and try something different. Anything that holds dirt can be planted in, so be creative.
6. Use the grid below to sketch some ideas for your landscape.



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