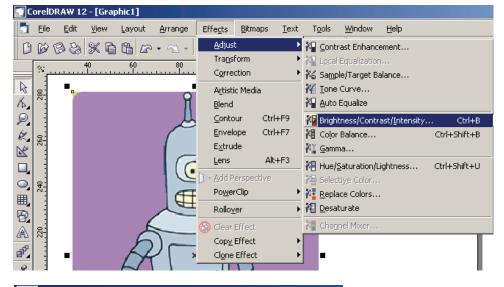
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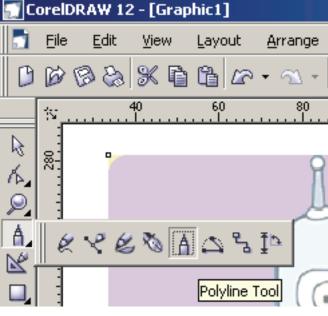
Step 1 >>

Lighten your image, using the arrow (pick tool). Then click on effects > adjust > brightness/contrast/ and set the settings to **Brightness: 30 Contrast: -40 Intensity: 0** Then press OK!

Step 2 >>

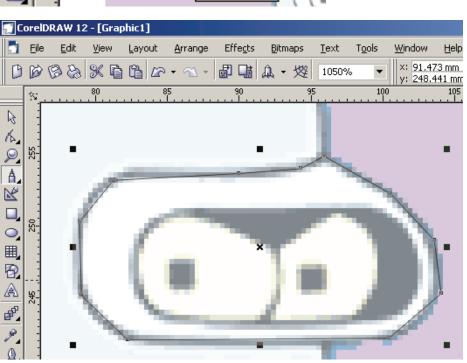
Click on the small arrow to get the menu to fly out then click on the polyline tool. (Note: to zoom in and out simply roll the mouse wheel).





Step 3 >>

Using the polyline tool roughly trace the shape from your image, then double click when you reach the end this closes the line. (Note: if you don't the line will keep on going!)



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Step 4 >>

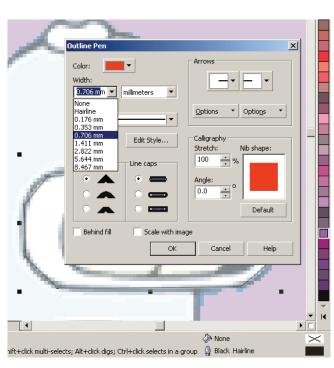
Now we need to increase the line thickness and colour so we can see it. Using the arrow (pick tool) click on your line. Next double click in the corner of your screen on the outline colour (the rectangle next to the small pen). Set your colour to red and your line width to something thicker then press ok!

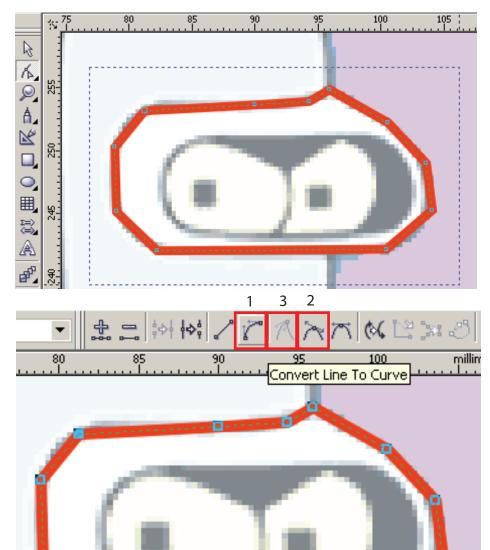
Step 6 >>

Now click on the shape tool and draw a box around the whole of your shape. This will let you curve, smooth and cusp all nodes on the line instead of one by one!

Step 7 >>

Now you will see options at the top of the screen. Click on 1. Convert line to curve, then 2. Make node smooth, then 3.Make node a cusp. You will now be able to easily curve the lines.





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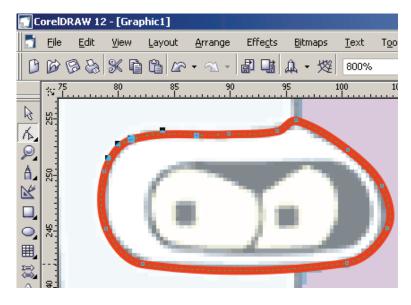
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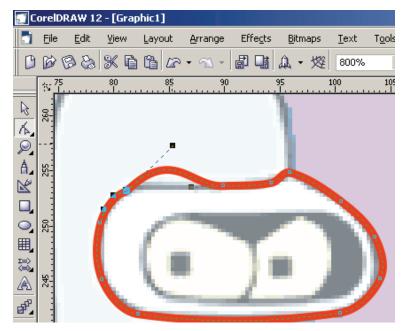
Step 8 >>

Now select the arrow and click away from the shape to unselect it. Next select the pick tool and click on your shape then click on a node on your shape. You will now see two handles appear from your node.

Step 9 >>

Now drag the nodes handles to create any curve you wish. Now shape your line to fit the image your tracing. Now trace your whole image.





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On the same page as the tutorial is a Corel manual. It is the last link on the page. Or use the direct link below:

http://www.lanfrancdt.co.uk/websiteprintablepdfs/HowtouseCoreIDRAW.pdf

The manual tells you much more about Corel and the many things it can do. Have fun with Corel Draw and get learning!