
Subject: How to print 3d coins from an image
Posted by [Vento](#) on Wed, 10 Oct 2012 09:26:08 GMT
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Hello guys,
I'm not an expert of 3d printing and also I haven't a good knowledge of 3d modelling.
As I work as an archaeologist I need to reproduce some small objects like ancient coins to make plastic replicas.

Can you explain to me how to do a 3d .stl model from an image in .jpg or .bmp (in black and white of course) ? Are there some freeware software to make this operation?

feel free to give me your advice!

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Posted by [Youknowwho4eva](#) on Wed, 10 Oct 2012 14:34:35 GMT
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Posted by [Vento](#) on Wed, 10 Oct 2012 17:14:21 GMT
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[Youknowwho4eva](#) wrote on Wed, 10 October 2012 14:34The easiest way
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Thanks for your support.

I did this operation on the online creator, but the result is very bad and I don't believe that it would be possible to print a 3d object from that .stl ...can you suggest me another solution to fix this problem?

Thank you very much!

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Posted by [Youknowwho4eva](#) on Wed, 10 Oct 2012 19:04:59 GMT

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Another way would be to use blender, it's been a while since I did it though, and I wouldn't say that I'd be able to create a properly scaled model myself. You may want to check out the Modeler Needed section to find someone that can help model your coins.

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Thanks a lot, I'll follow your advice

Subject: Re: How to print 3d coins from an image
Posted by [SGDesigns](#) on Wed, 24 Oct 2012 00:03:09 GMT
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