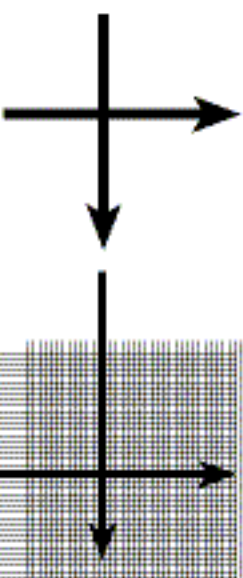
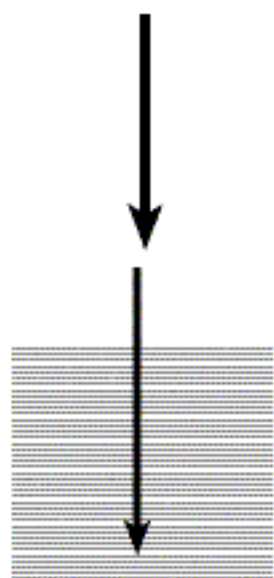
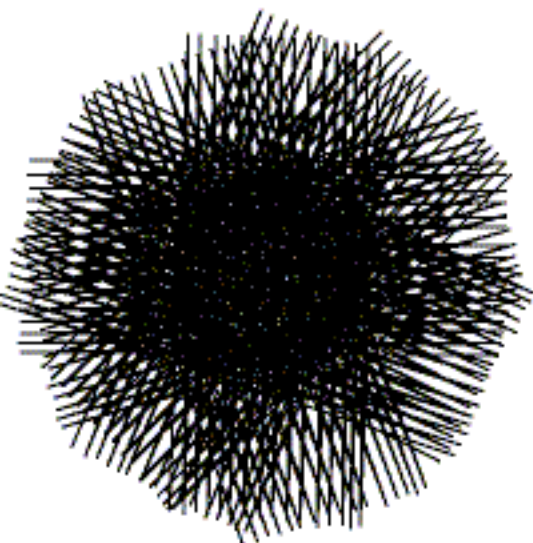
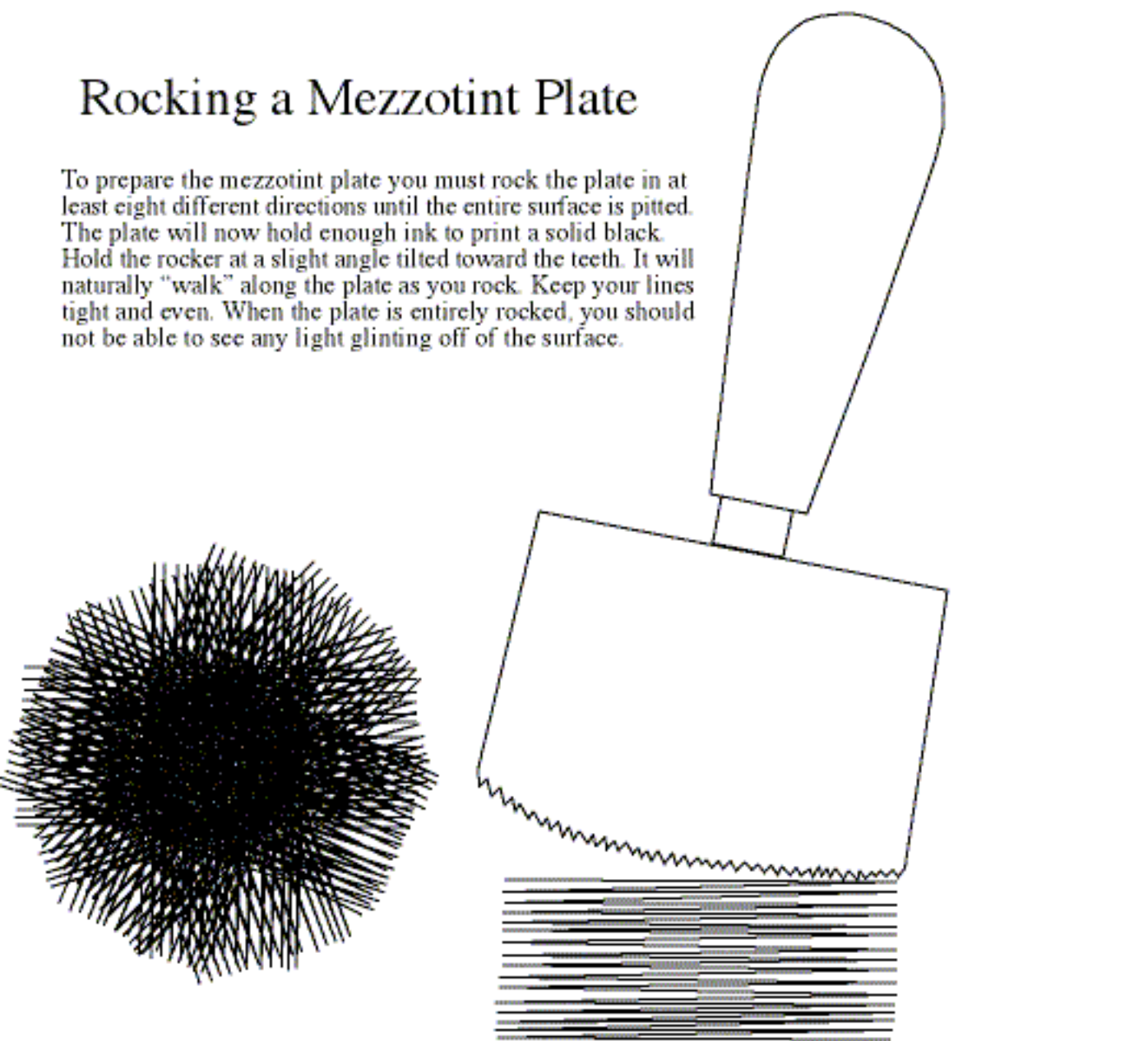
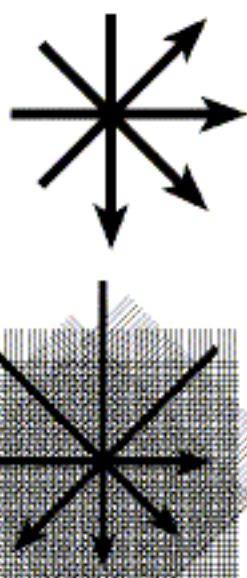


Rocking a Mezzotint Plate

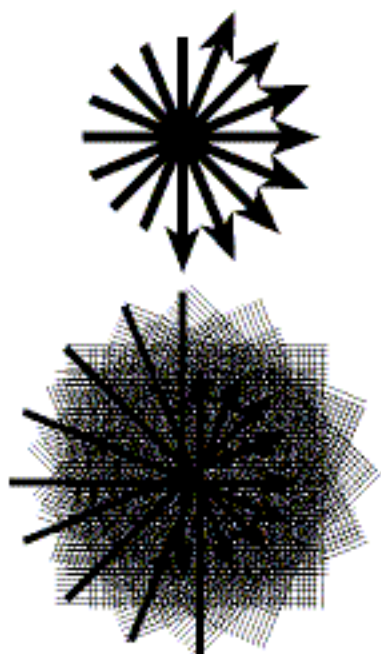
To prepare the mezzotint plate you must rock the plate in at least eight different directions until the entire surface is pitted. The plate will now hold enough ink to print a solid black. Hold the rocker at a slight angle tilted toward the teeth. It will naturally "walk" along the plate as you rock. Keep your lines tight and even. When the plate is entirely rocked, you should not be able to see any light glinting off of the surface.



90 degrees



45 degrees



22.5 degrees