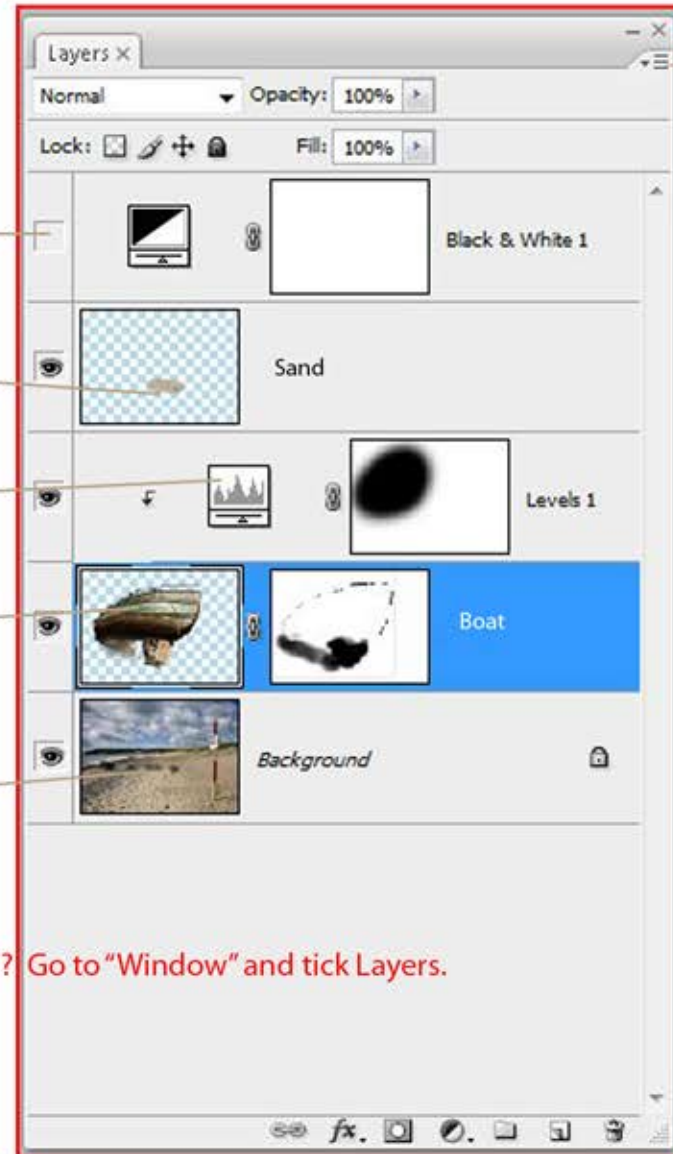
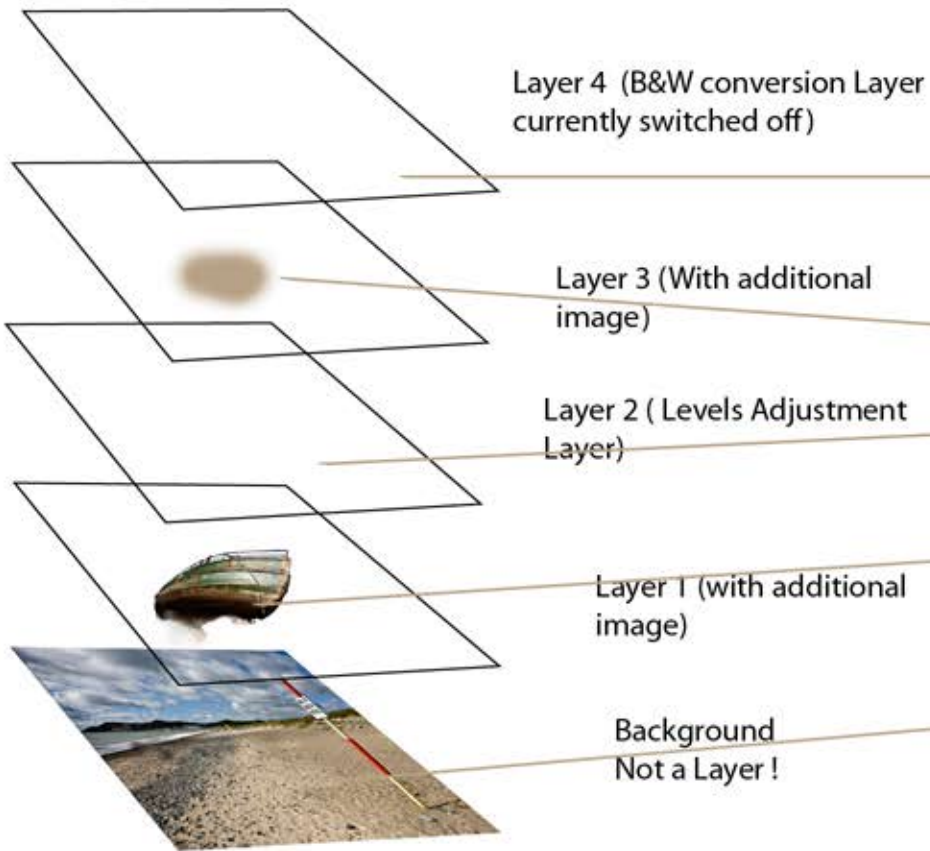


**Layers** Imagine layers as being sheets of acetate suspended above your original image. Your original image is the background and therefore not a layer. Layers can be moved or rotated in any direction but the background is locked and cannot move. Layers can be re-ordered by dragging them up or down the stack but not under the background. Nearly all image adjustments can be applied as a layer. Go to Layer - New adjustment layer and select the adjustment layer you require e.g. Levels , Hue and Saturation, Colour Balance etc. All adjustment layers will be saved along with other layers if you save your work as a .psd or .tif file and can be adjusted further at any time in the future. Adjustment layers automatically come with a layer mask. This allows parts of the layer to be removed by painting with a black brush. Painting with a white brush will restore the layer again should an error occur. Additional images can be introduced into your work by using the copy and paste method or by dragging the new image into your original. Both of these methods automatically create a new layer.



For the layers menu click here

- New Layer... Shift+Ctrl+N
- Duplicate Layer...
- Delete Layer
- Delete Hidden Layers
- New Group...
- New Group from Layers...
- Lock All Layers in Group...
- Convert to Smart Object
- Edit Contents
- Layer Properties...
- Blending Options...
- Create Clipping Mask Alt+Ctrl+G
- Link Layers
- Select Linked Layers
- Merge Down Ctrl+E
- Merge Visible Shift+Ctrl+E
- Flatten Image
- Animation Options
- Palette Options...

Can't see the Layers palette ? Go to "Window" and tick Layers.

This menu is also available by going to "Layer" on the toolbar at the top of your screen