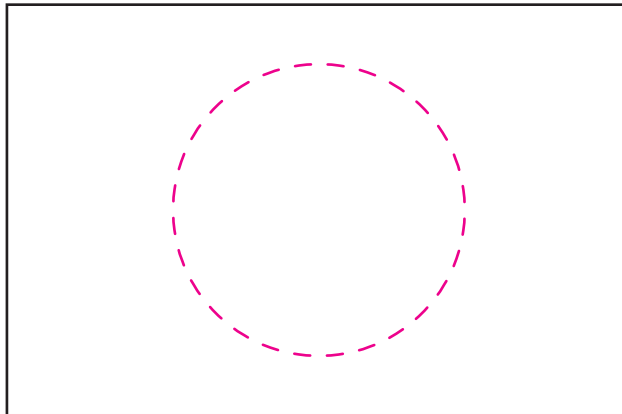


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**FIGURE 2.4****An Illustration of
*Prägnanz***

Even though the stimulus is comprised of a series of arcs, we perceive a complete circle. According to the Gestalt psychologists, this is because perception is organized and oriented toward achieving a certain ideal or end state.