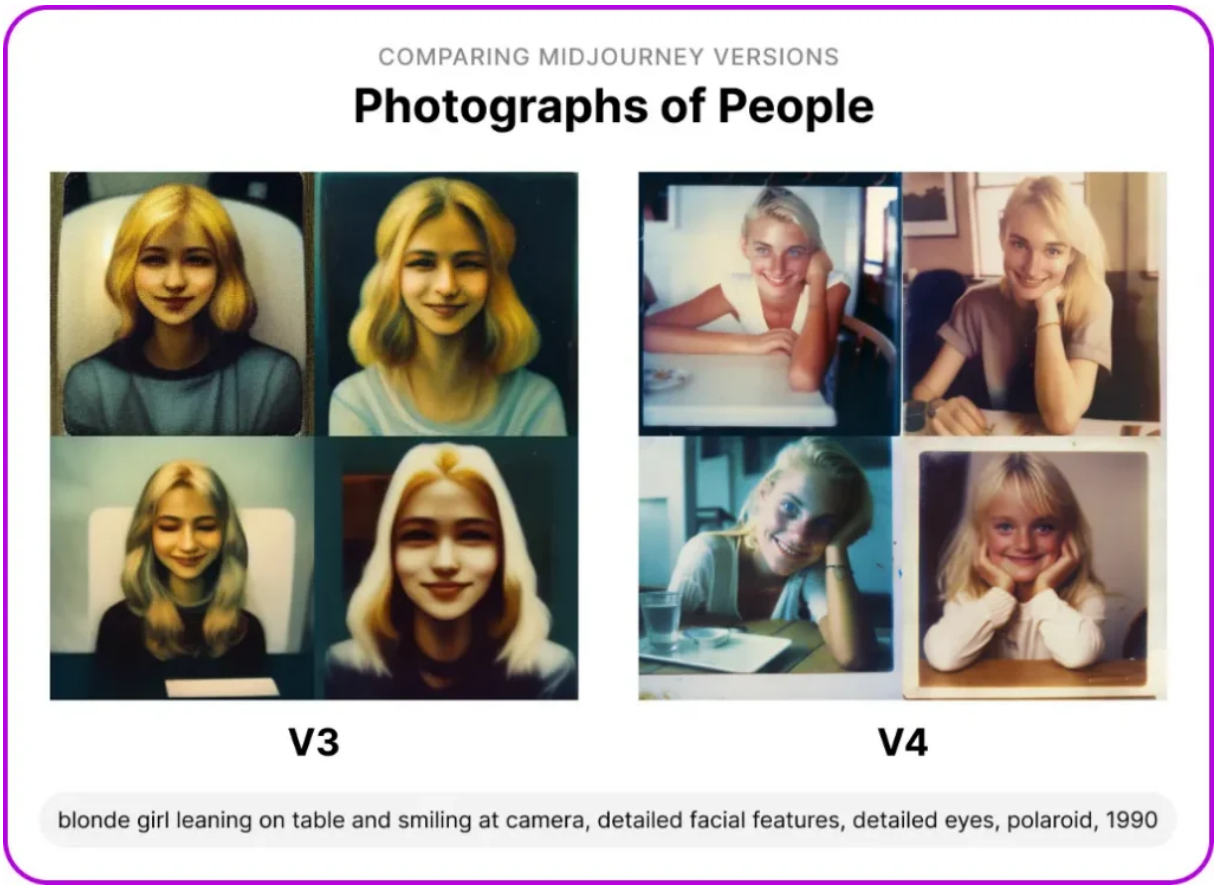
Midjourney V4 Best Prompts to Try

1. Photographs Of People



V4 crosses the divide between “hey that could almost be a real photo” to “holy cow that’s not a real photo?”

We’ve noticed that the model excels at creating vintage style photographs (we’re also more expectant of blurred edges in older photographs). Here are some things to add to your prompts to tune them towards a naturalistic, realistic style.

- **polaroid**
- vintage photography
- film photography
- fuji color film



man sitting at breakfast table, detailed facial features, vintage photograph, fuji color film, 2000 – v 4



woman playing solitaire at a desk, fuji color film, polaroid, 1999 –v 4

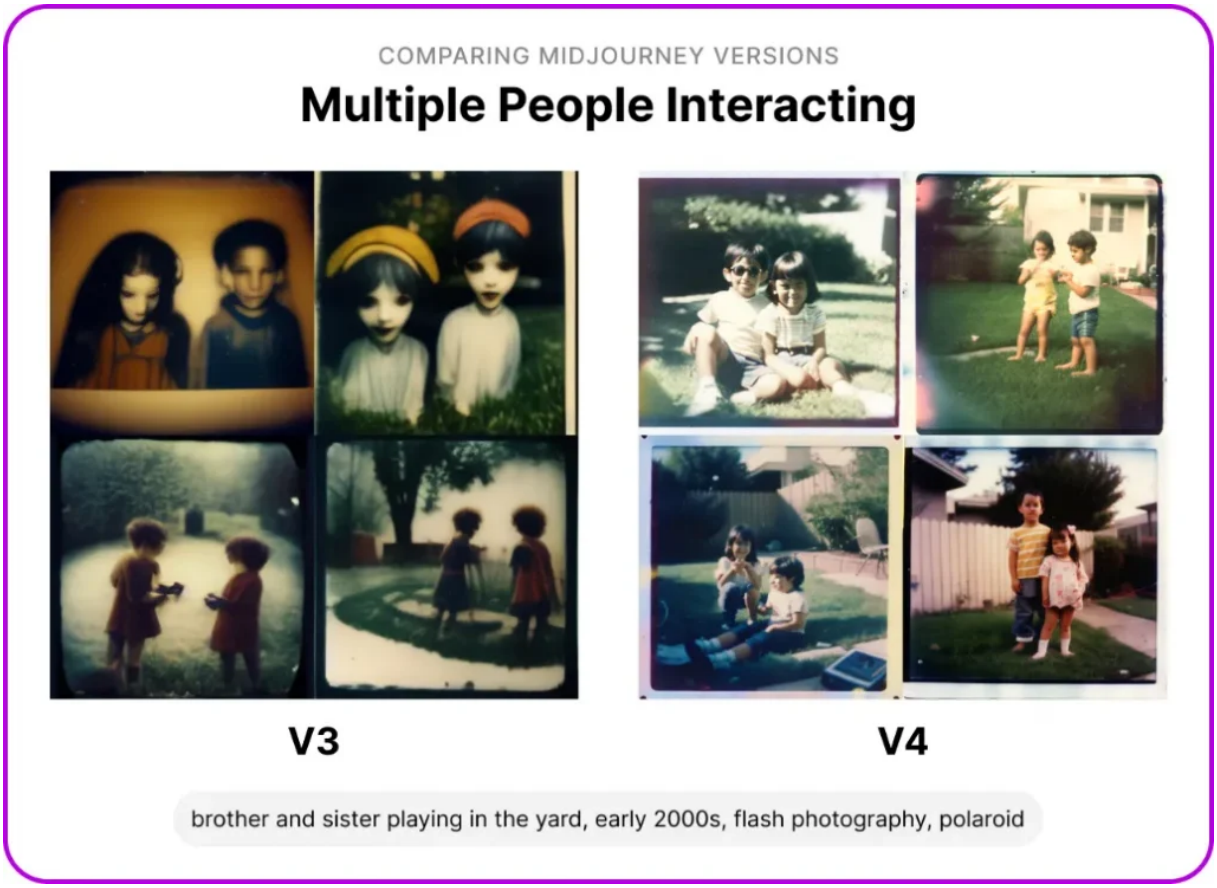


man wearing baseball cap walking his dog, full body, vintage photograph, fujicolor film, 2010 –v 4



man waiting in line at mcdonald’s in Thailand, detailed facial features, full body, fuji color film, 2005 –v 4

2. Multiple People Interacting With Each Other



KudzuEye has shared an amazing post on Reddit of vintage portraits of pairs and groups. If you've ever tried to create multiple people in Midjourney you'll know what a **huge** step up V4 is generating people interacting with each other in naturalistic ways.

What's more is that specifying earlier time periods 1990s and early 2000s give you people wearing older styles of clothing – I don't expect this to match time period exactly, but this is an incredible way the images give you an authentic feeling for the time period.

Verbs like “arguing”, “fighting”, “hugging” yield interesting results. But the less dynamic the pose is the more realistic the person comes out. Still, I noticed a huge improvement in the side and back profiles of people, compared to V3. It looks like crazy hands and fingers are here to stay though.



man and woman posing for a picture at Disneyworld, 2001, detailed face, detailed arms, full body portrait, photograph –v 4



two men, brothers, one man has hair, arguing outside a house on a patio, 1980, realistic arms, vintage photograph, flash photography –v 4

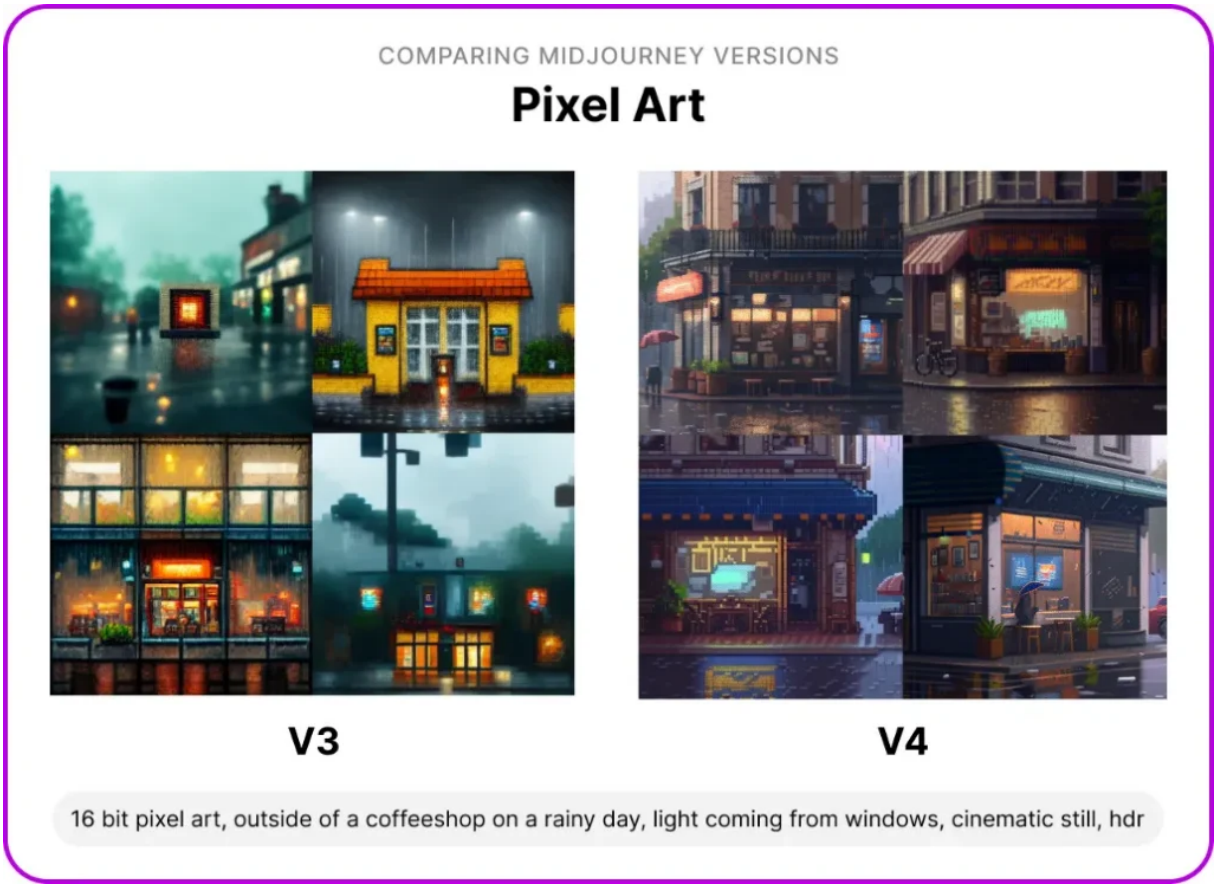


two siblings sitting on deck in late afternoon, early 2000s, flash photography, polaroid –v 4



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3. Pixel Art



I never found Midjourney V3 to be great with pixel art, but V4 blows me away. I haven't been able to achieve anything close by running Stable Diffusion on my own either. With some artist touchups, these would look incredible as game backgrounds.

You can achieve different styles of pixel art by adding these to your prompts:

- *8 bit pixel art / 16 bit pixel art* / 32 bit pixel art – yes, this will change the fidelity of the image. At 32 bit, we noticed it moves away from "pixel art" and towards a regular illustration.

- *Game boy style / SNES style / PlayStation style*
- *Isometric*



16 bit pixel art, island in the clouds, by studio ghibli, cinematic still, hdr –v 4



16 bit pixel art, outside of a coffeeshop on a rainy day, light coming from windows, cinematic still, hdr –v 4

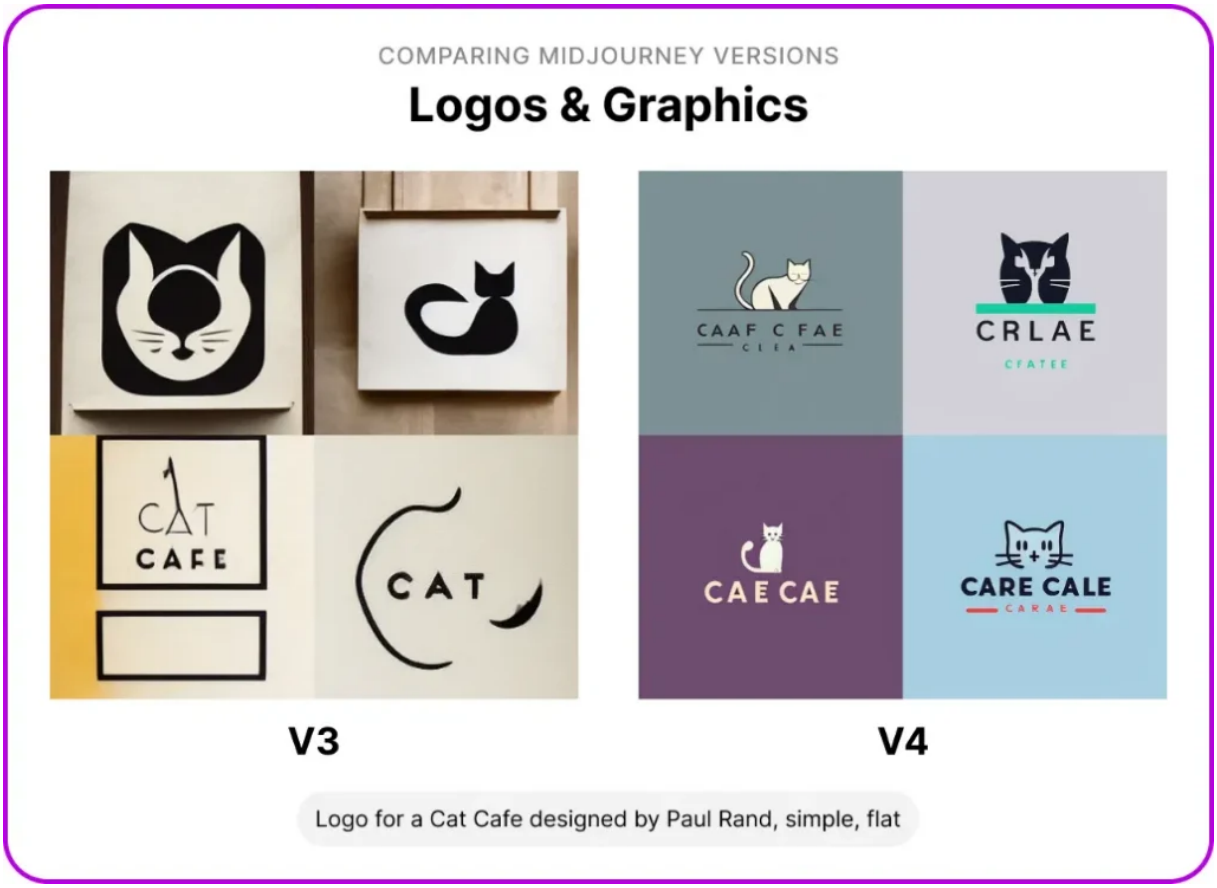


16 bit pixel art, isometric, cozy tavern interior with cute characters, cinematic still, hdr –v 4



16 bit pixel art, outside of super cozy cafe on a sunny day, highly detailed, cinematic still, hdr –v 4

4. Logo Design



For logos, V4 does graphics, text (text still has a ways to go), and combines them in interesting compostions.

Try adding these to your prompts:

- Legendary graphic designers: *Paul Rand / Saul Bass /Massimo Vignelli*
- *Simple / flat / vector*
- Styles: *Kitschy / elegant / minimal*

We've written about cool logo styles you can try with V4 here.



logo for a Cat Cafe, by Paul Rand, simple, flat –v 4

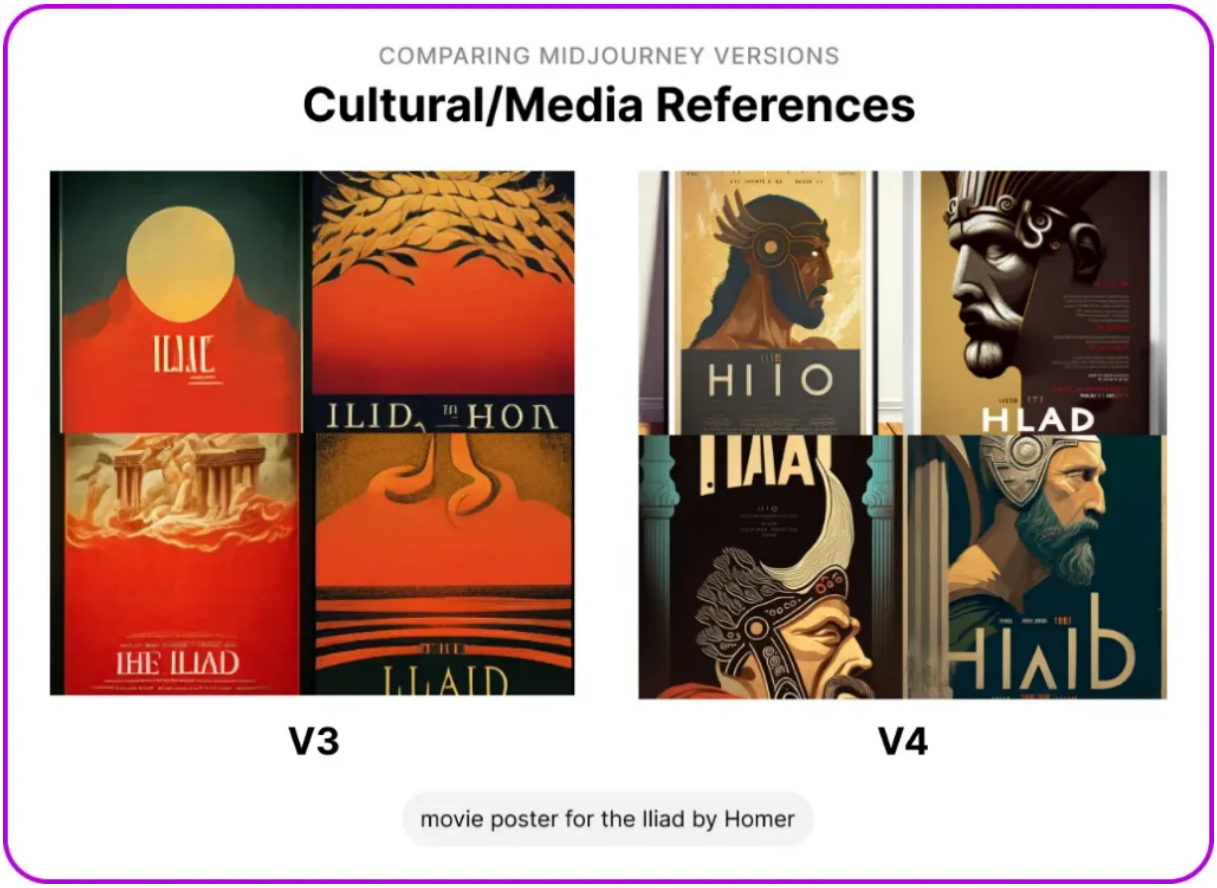


logo for a high end skincare brand, by paul rand –v 4



logo for a fishing and bait shop, kitschy –v 4

5. Movie Posters (& Cultural References)



V4 is great at recognizing references to pretty much…everything. In the example above, it looks like V3 model was trained with existing book covers on the *Iliad*, but in V4 it looks like the model actually has information about the *contents of the book*.

This is amazing! How much does the model know about how many different creative works out there?

Some things you can test right now:

- Generate movie posters for books *without existing movies*

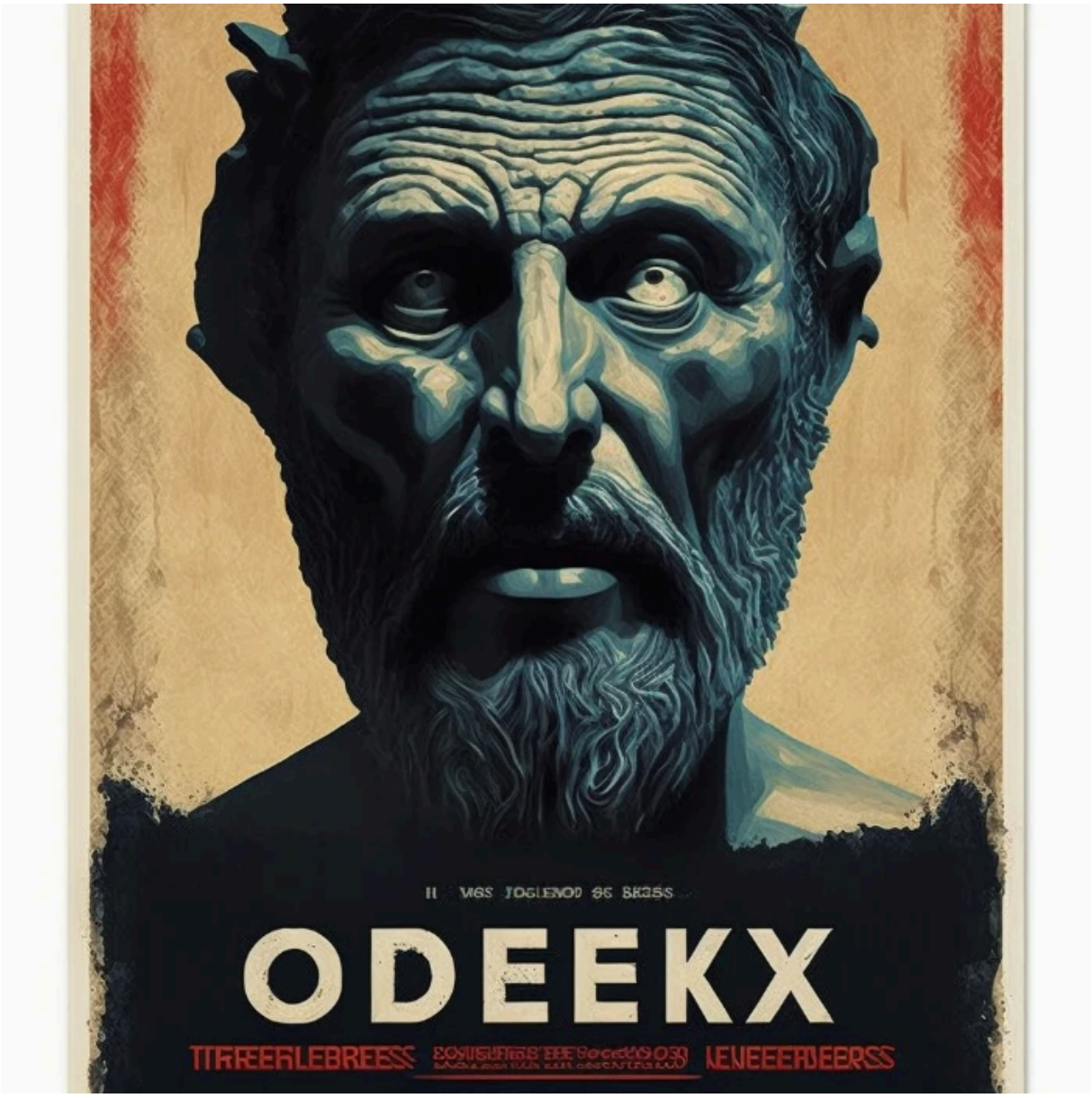
- Generate movie posters for existing movies and see how well V4 does!



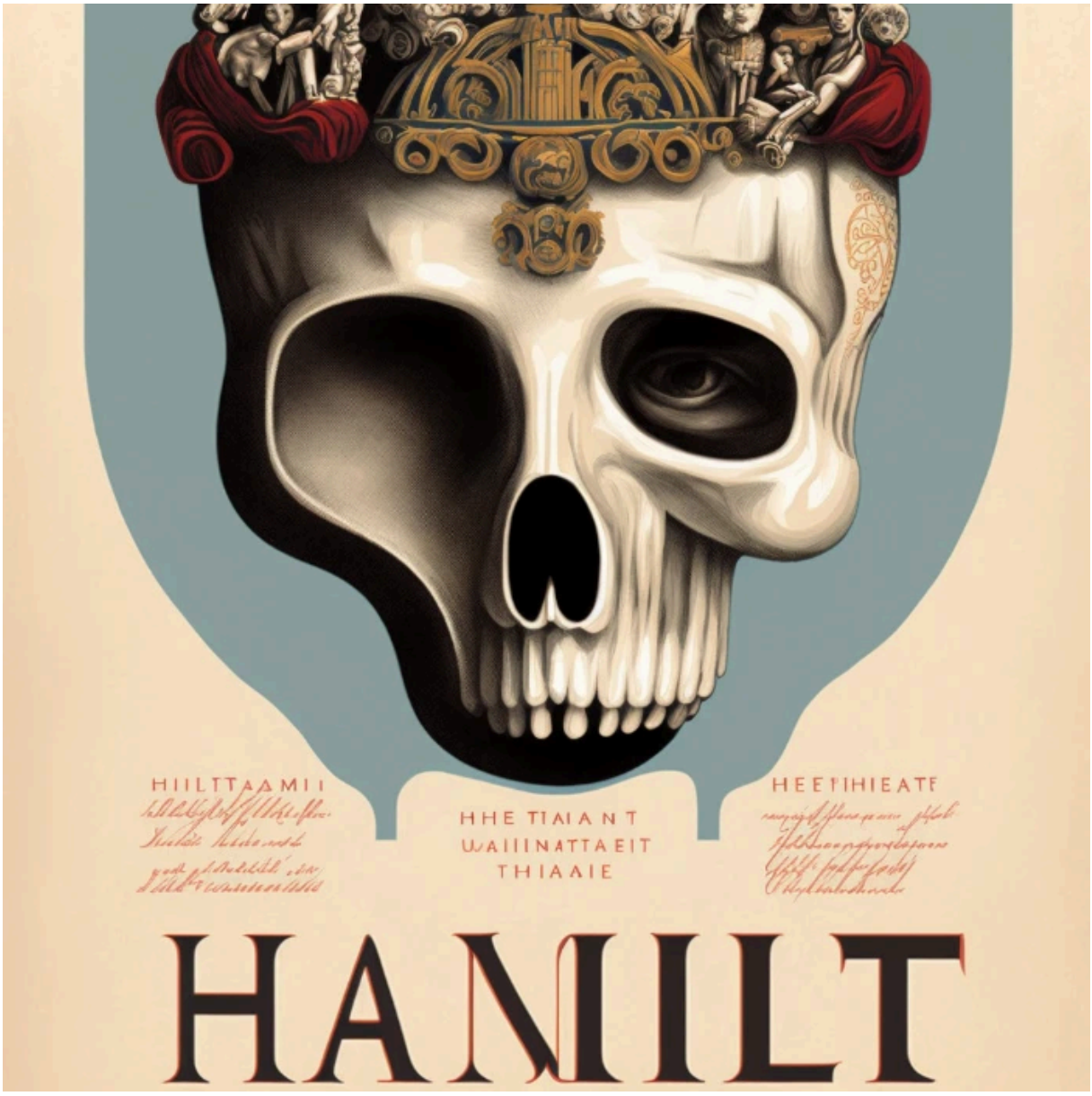
movie poster for No Country for Old Men –v 4



movie poster for Dune, style of Saul Bass –v 4



movie poster for Oedipus Rex, –v 4



movie poster for Hamlet –v 4

6. User Interface Design



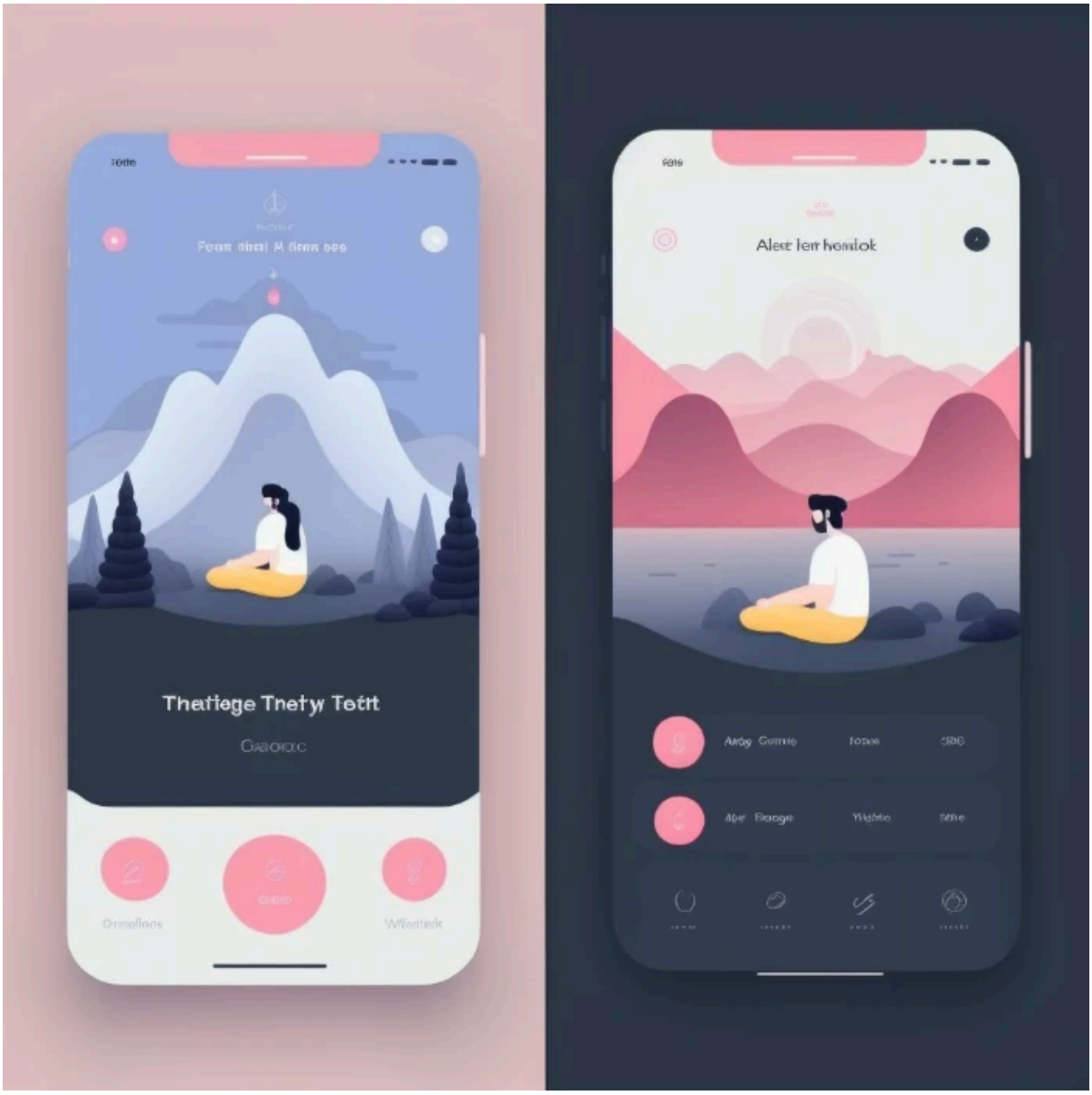
Is AI coming for User Interface designers next? With V4, it certainly looks like it. While V3 didn't have a clear idea of what interfaces were, V4 definitely does.

The model tends towards making things "painterly" rather than vector-like. You can try adding the following to your prompts to make them cleaner:

- *Vector*
- *User Interface*
- *Adobe Illustrator / Figma*
- *Dribbble / Behance*



app that monitors your health, flat vector, Adobe Illustrator, dribbble, user interface –v 4

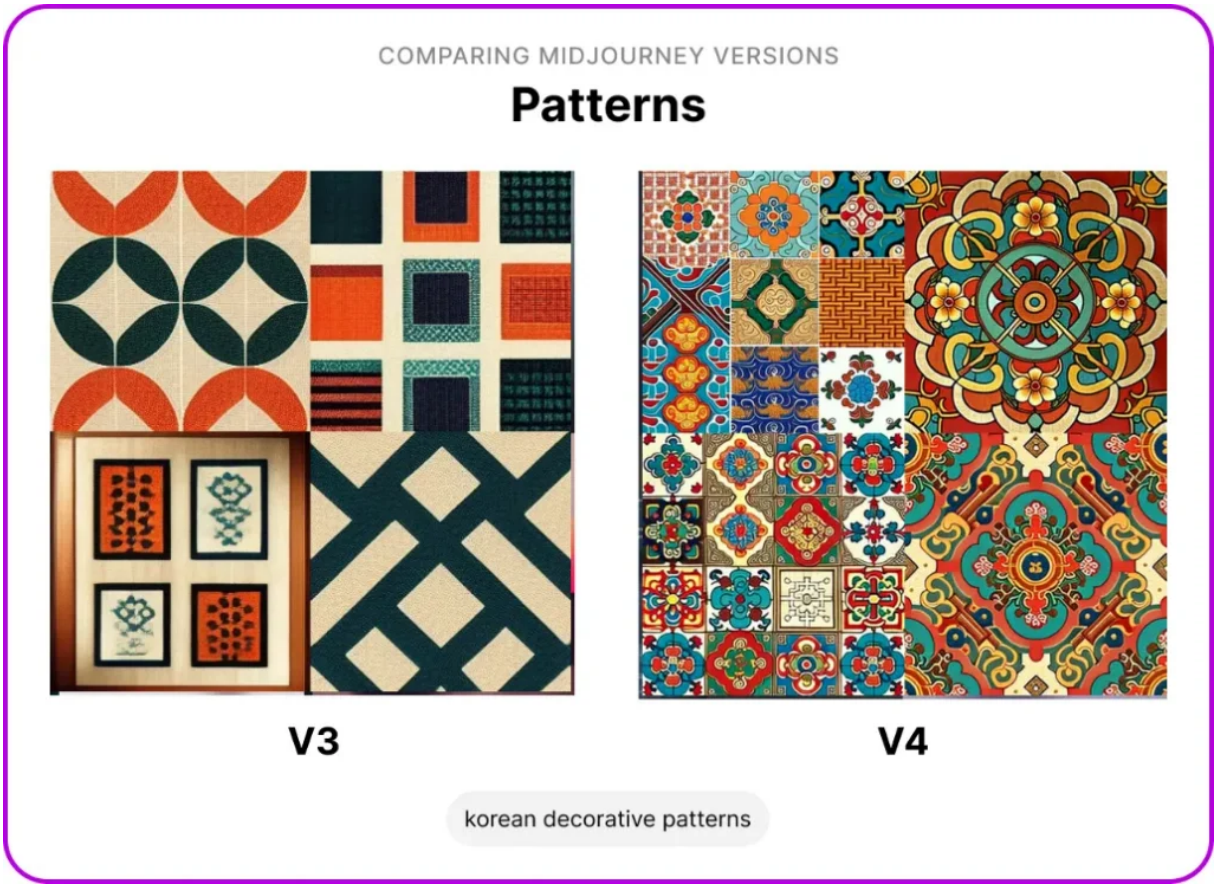


meditation app, flat vector, Figma, dribbble, user interface –v 4



cryptocurrency tracking app, adobe illustrator, behance –v 4

7. Patterns



Not only does V4 create beautiful patterns that you can turn into backgrounds for any project (not to mention, wallpaper at home), there are a couple of tricks you can use to create consistent patterns:

- *Repeating* – This enforces a repeating infinite pattern pretty much always



celtic knot pattern, simple, geometric –v 4



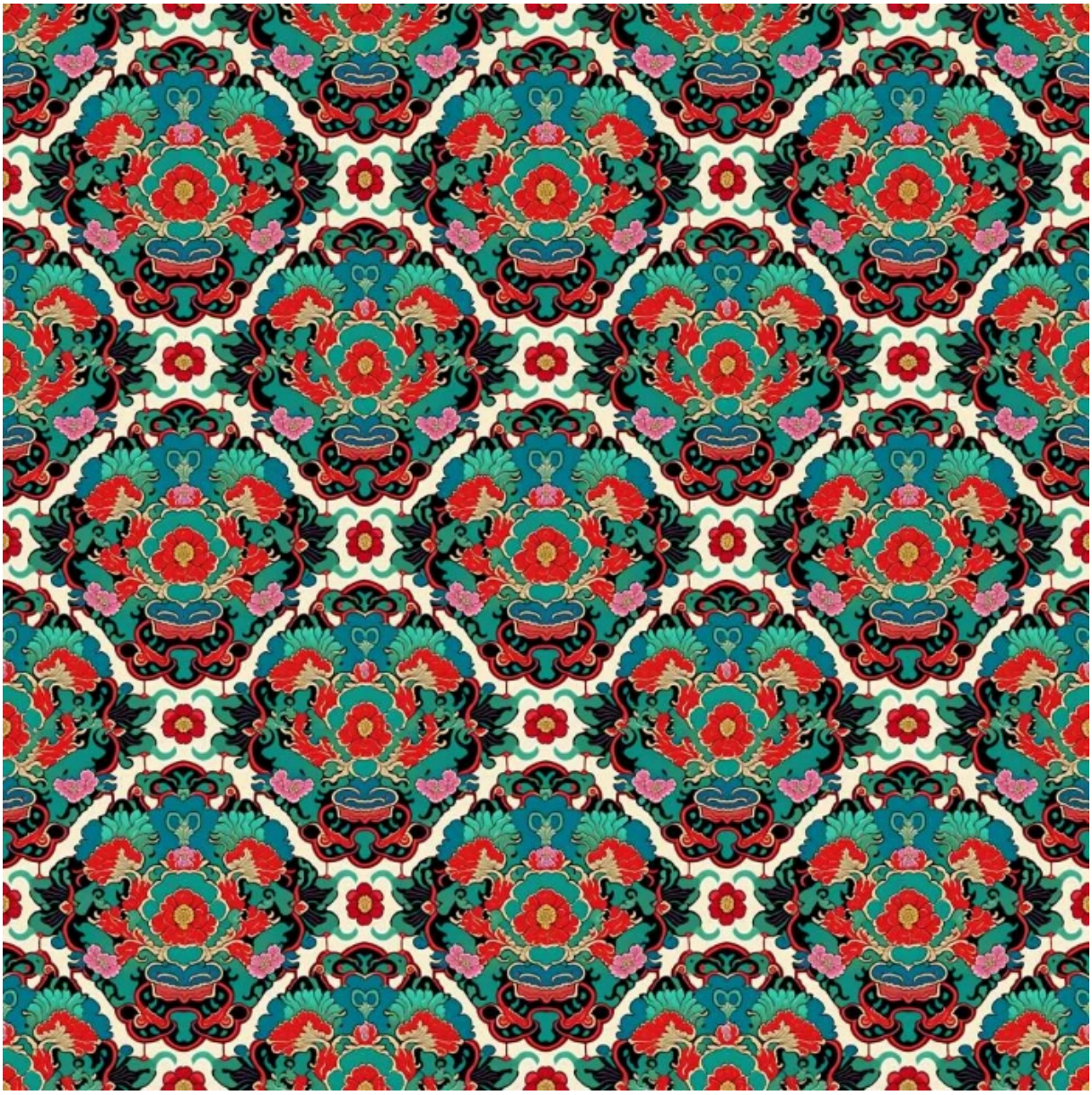
turkish patterns –v 4



native american decorative patterns –v 4



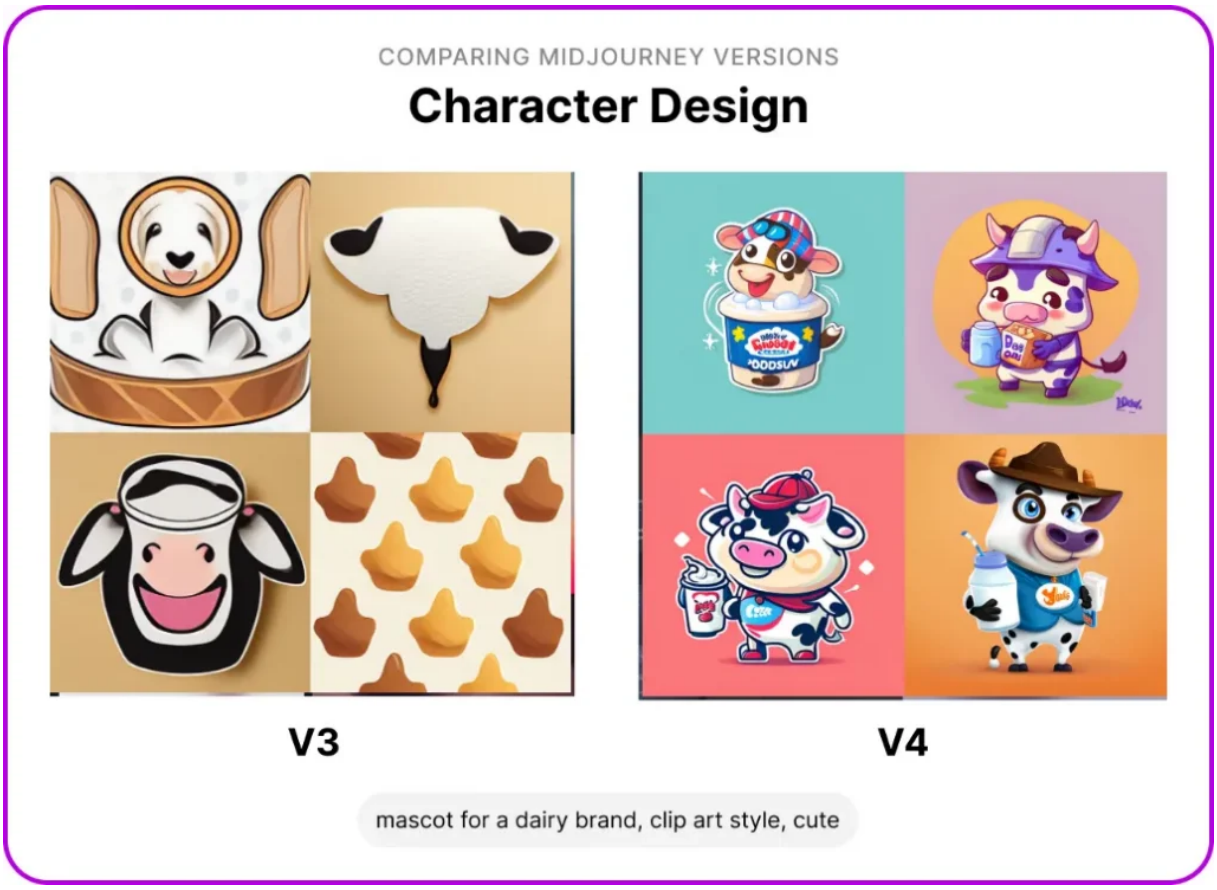
chinese pattern, repeating –v 4



This is the image above, laid out on a grid. Confirmed that “repeating” will create a perfect repeating pattern every time.

8. 2D Character Design

While you could get amazing 2D character designs in the previous version, they always required lots of prompt-crafting and tweaking. V4 gives you results straight out of the box only by referencing things like “character design from game/show/animation” and “2D”.





mascot for a dairy brand, clip art style, cute –v 4

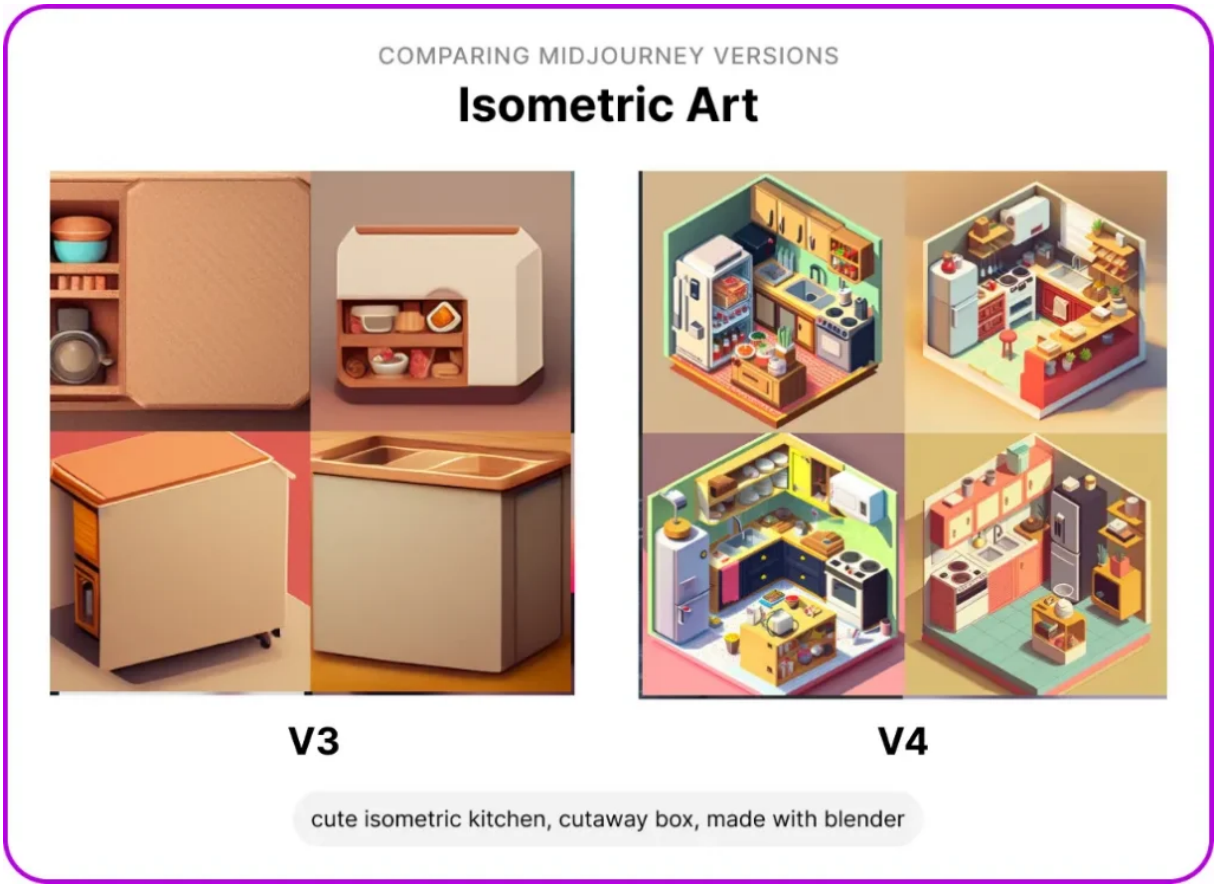


character design of a fire hydrant character, 2d, cute –v 4



mascot for a vegetable drink brand, super cute, 2d –v 4

9. Isometric Art



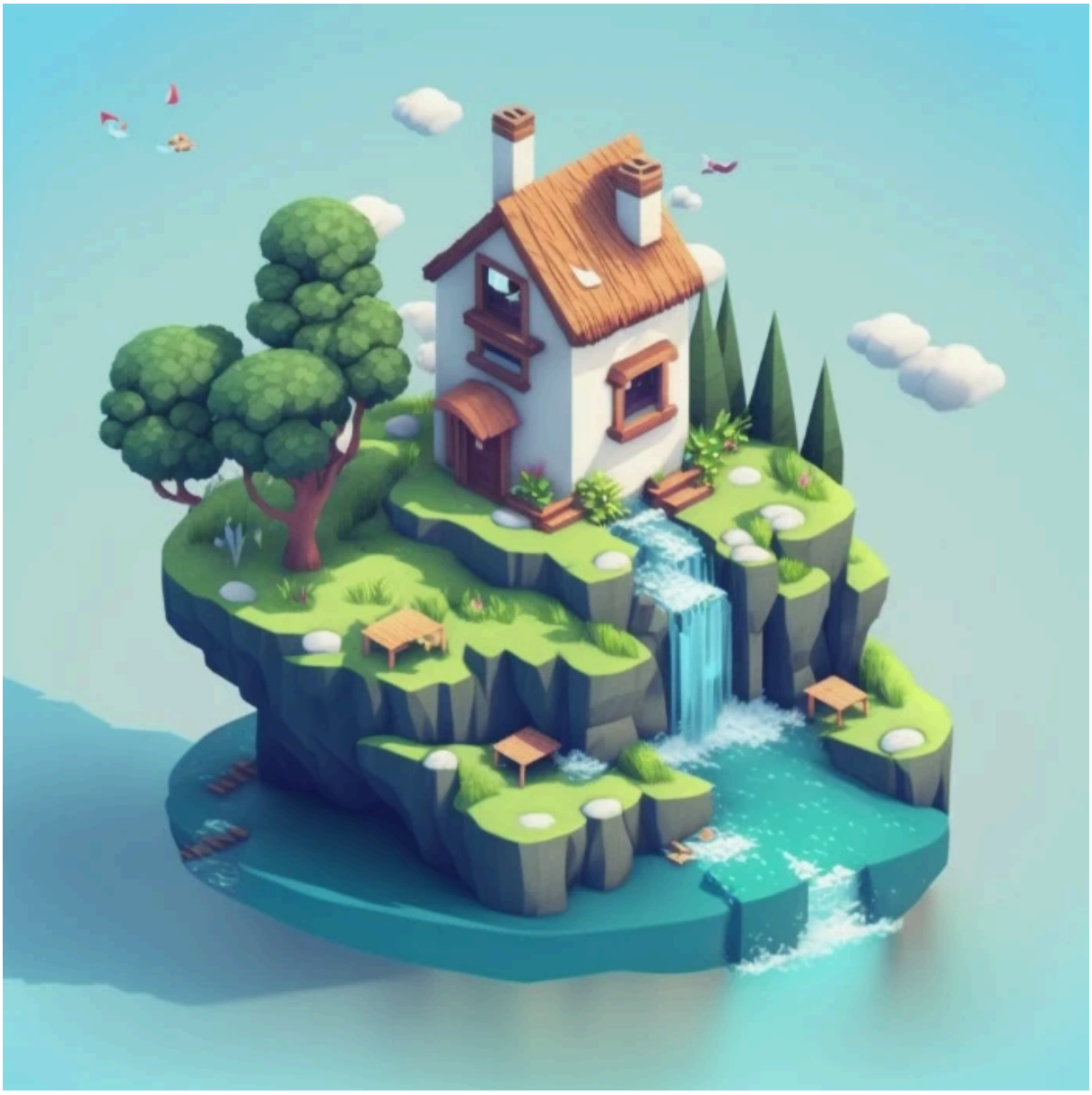
The isometric art coming out of V4 is absolutely stunning, even when barely prompted. Try the following prompt additions:

- *isometric*
- *low-poly*
- *box cutout*
- *made in blender*
- Materials: *matte clay*

We've made some more isometric art here: Game of Thrones, an Isometric Mobile Game.



cute isometric kitchen, made with Blender -v 4



cute isometric island, cottage in the woods, river with water falling off the edge, made with blender – v 4



cute isometric island, Winterfell from Game of Thrones, blender 3D –v 4



cute isometric room of teenage boy, cutaway box, made with blender –v 4

10. Paper Art

Midjourney creates the most beautiful paper art that looks like it's actually paper. It's a testament to how good Midjourney is at materials now. For more paper art inspiration, check out the paper art prompts list.



Hogwarts, castle on a hill, from Harry Potter, layered paper art, diorama, shadowbox, volumetric lighting –v 4



Harry potter on broomstick in sky, layered paper craft, paper art, diorama –v 4



hagrid on motorcycle in the air, layered paper craft, diorama, paper art, hdr –v 4