Reflective Tables

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Tutorial by

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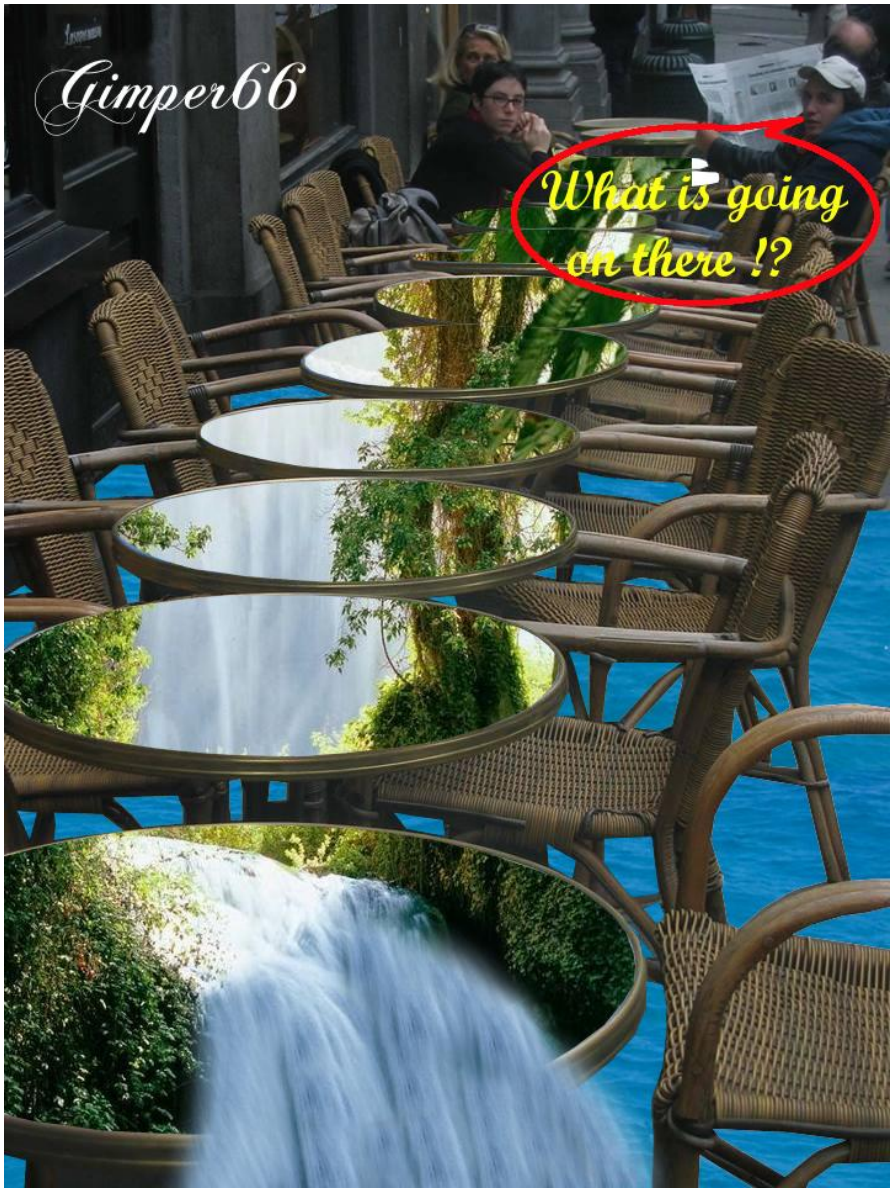
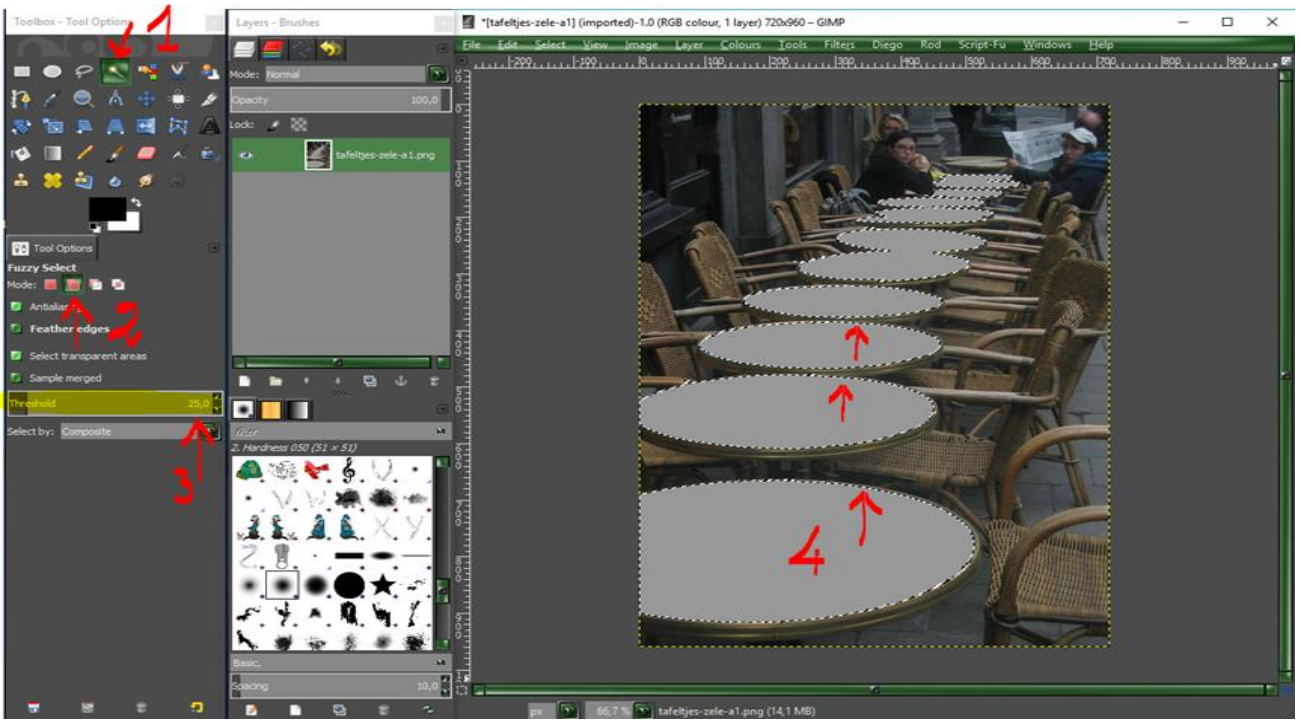


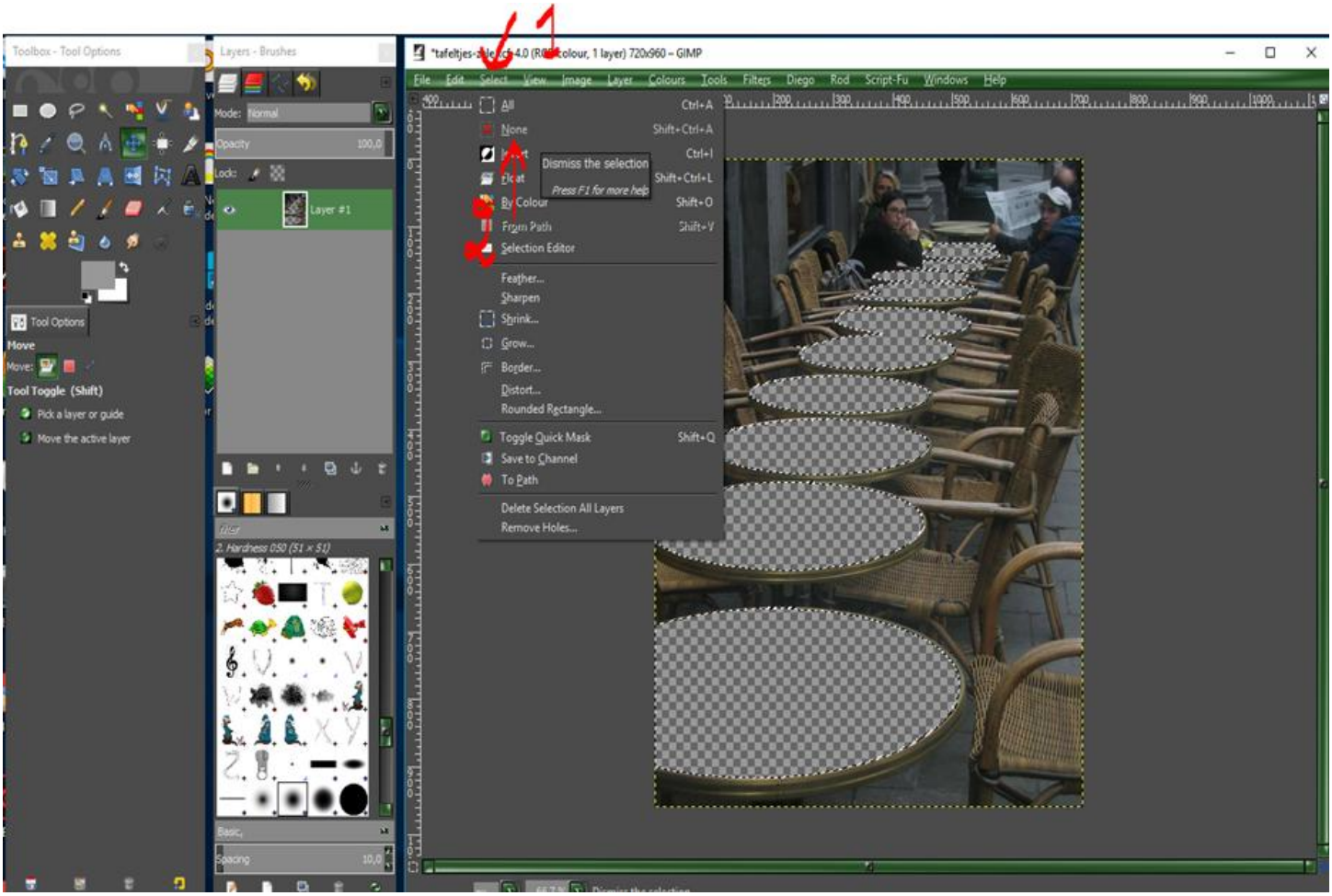
1. Start GIMP and OPEN the table picture.
2. To make the table tops transparent:
   01 right-click on the image layer to bring up the menu
   02-then Left click on Layer, then add alpha channel

3. As you can see the tables all have the same gray color. To cut out the table tops:
   01 Use the fuzzy select tool.
   02- Click on the Fuzzy Select tool in your toolbox. In Tool Options-Mode: Click on the second red icon
   Which is: Add to current selections
   03-Set the threshold at 25 (it depends on the image, sometimes it is more sometimes it is less)
   04- Now click in your image on each table that you want to make transparent
   You now see on every table a selection with dotted line (Marching ants)



4. Now go to the top Menu Bar:
   01-click on Edit
   02-click cut (or clear)
   03- The tables tops are now transparent

5. Now go to the top Menu Bar
   01-click select
   02-click none (the selection (Marching ants) has now disappeared)



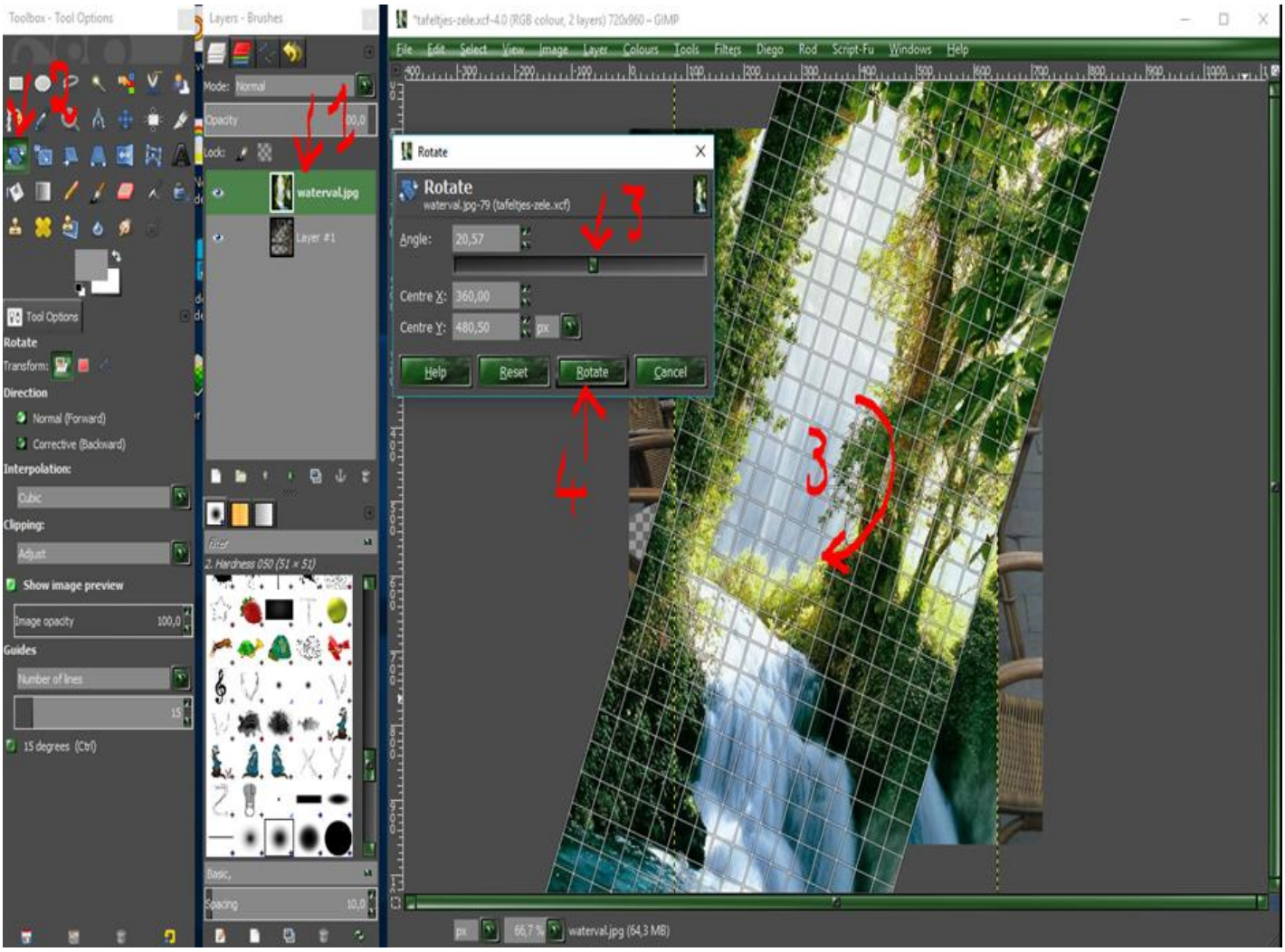
6. Now get your second image

01- Now OPEN AS LAYERS your second image (the waterfall)

02-Left click on the rotate tool in your toolbox (In Tool options click on layers)

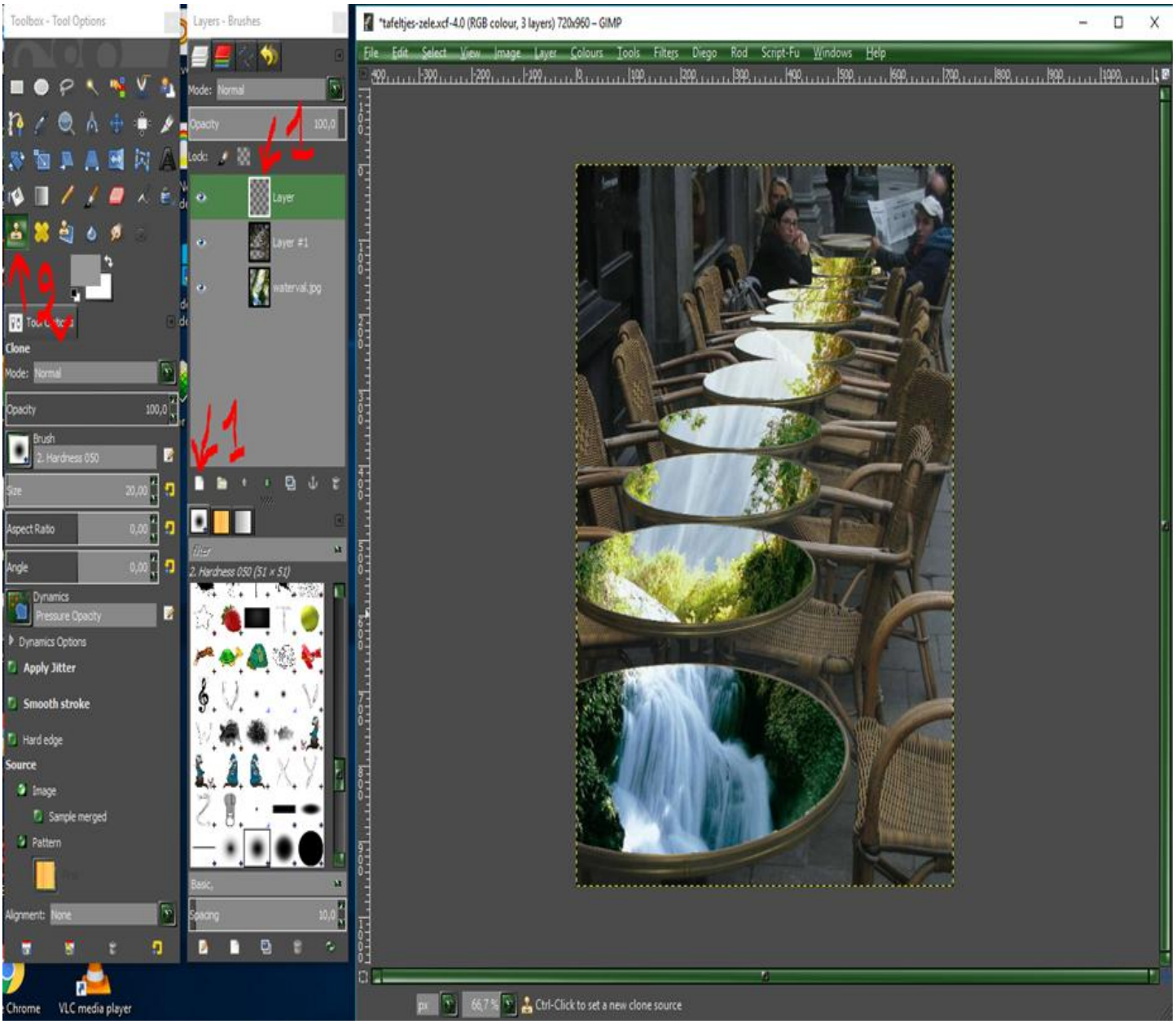
03- Left click once on your image, and a grid appears on your image as well as a slide to rotate your image. Move the slider until your image is divided equally among the tables.

04-then click on the rotate button



7. Now go to your layers
   01- Now place the top layer image under the layer with the tables
   02- Go to your toolbox and click on the move tool (in Tool options click on layers)
   03- Now you can move your image until it is exactly where you want it

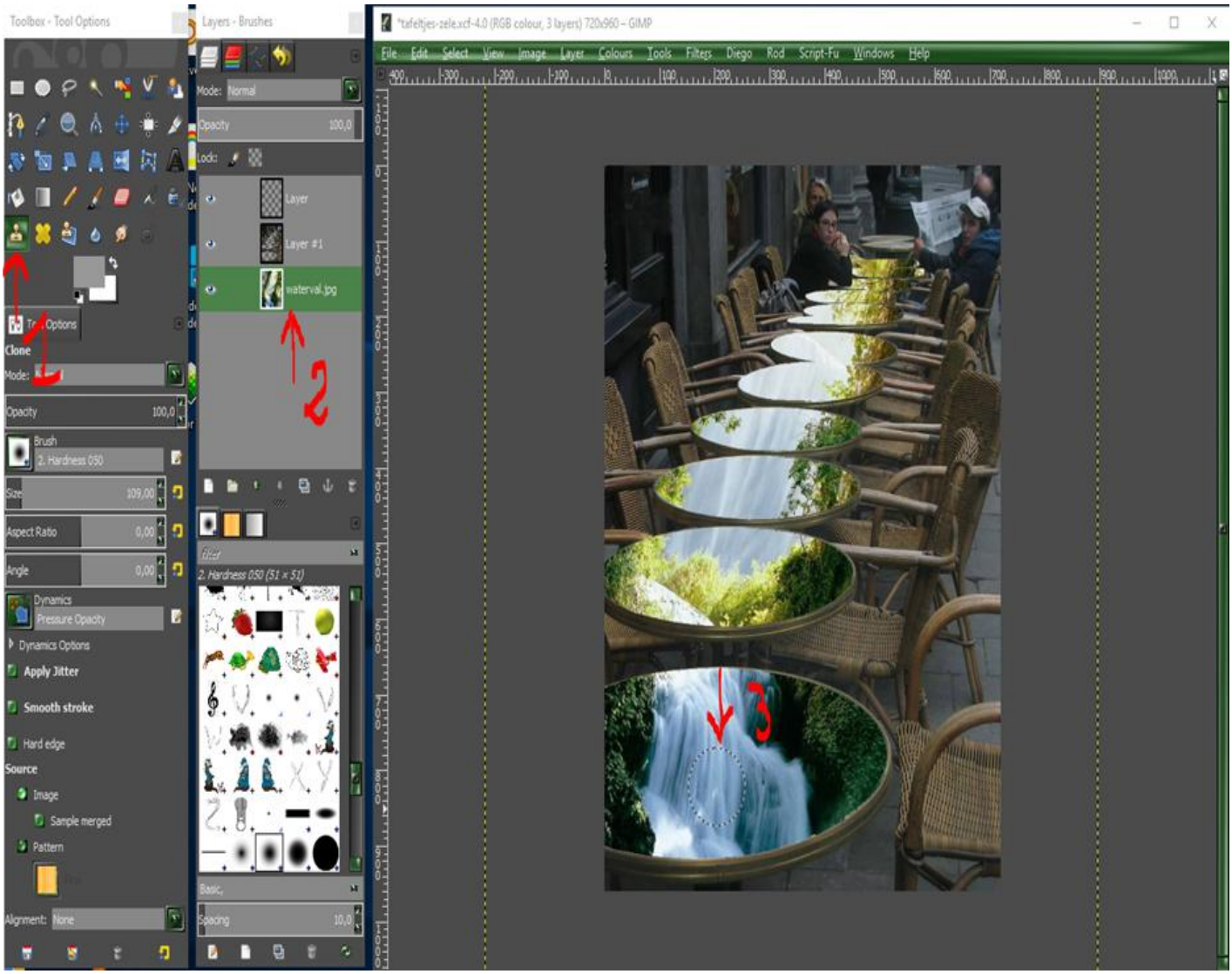
8. Voila! You have a reflection on the tables.



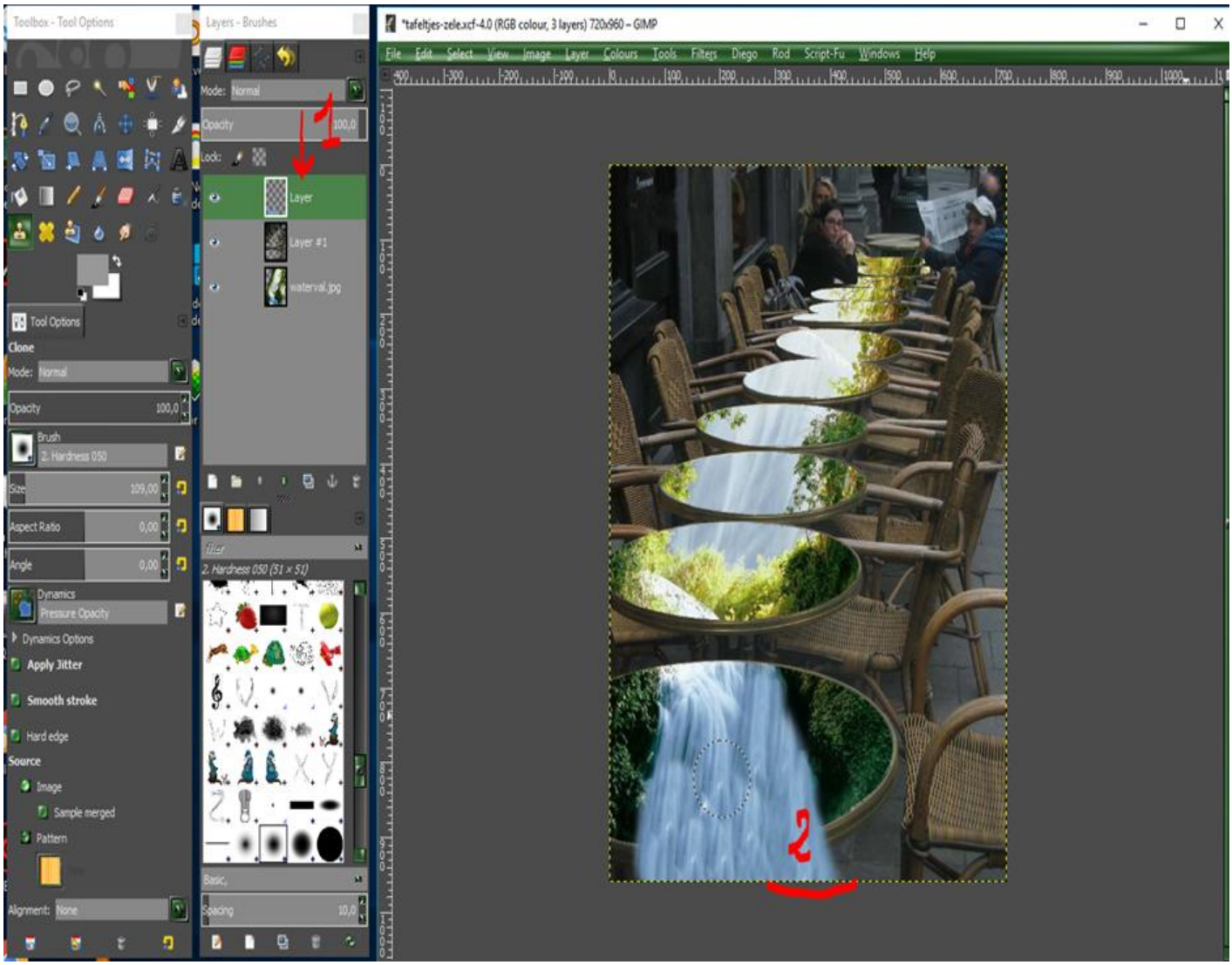
9. ***For those interested, you can make the water flow over the table***

01-Create a new transparent layer by clicking on the new layer icon
02-Now go to your toolbox and click the Clone tool

10. 01-With your clone tool selected:
02-Also select the layer with water by clicking once on that layer in your layers window
03-hold down the CTRL key on your keyboard and click at the same time once on your water image with left mouse button (captures a sample of the waterfall)



11. 01-Now go to your layers window and select the new transparent layer by clicking on it once
02-Now choose a soft brush, hardness 025 and click multiple times on your image. You will now see the water appear. Move your brush slightly between clicks until you get the effect you want of the water flowing over the table edge.



12. As you can see water now flows over the table.
If everything is satisfactory put all layers to image size and save the image.

Attachments: Reflective Tables PDF tutorial and the two images used.

Greetings ,and let me know if it worked.

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