Practice Drawing Straight Lines

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Original prompt

Task 1 — Long horizontal stroke: On a blank page, draw one long horizontal line near the bottom of the page using the four-step method. Check it against the paper's bottom edge.



Answer

One unbroken horizontal stroke near the bottom of the page, level with the paper's bottom edge, with no visible bowing.

Reasoning

Sighting and endpoint dots fix the path near the bottom edge; a single steady stroke keeps it unbroken; the check against the bottom edge reveals any bowing.

Check

Hold the page so its bottom edge is level with your eye and compare the stroke's height at the left end, middle, and right end. All three should look level.

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Task 2 — Parallel pair: Draw two horizontal lines, one above the other, that stay the same distance apart along their whole length. Check each line against a straight reference edge and compare the gap between them.



Answer

Two unbroken strokes with a constant gap between them, neither converging nor diverging, each staying close to a straight reference edge.

Reasoning

Each stroke is drawn with the four-step method and checked against a straight edge; comparing the gap at several points confirms the lines stay parallel.

Check

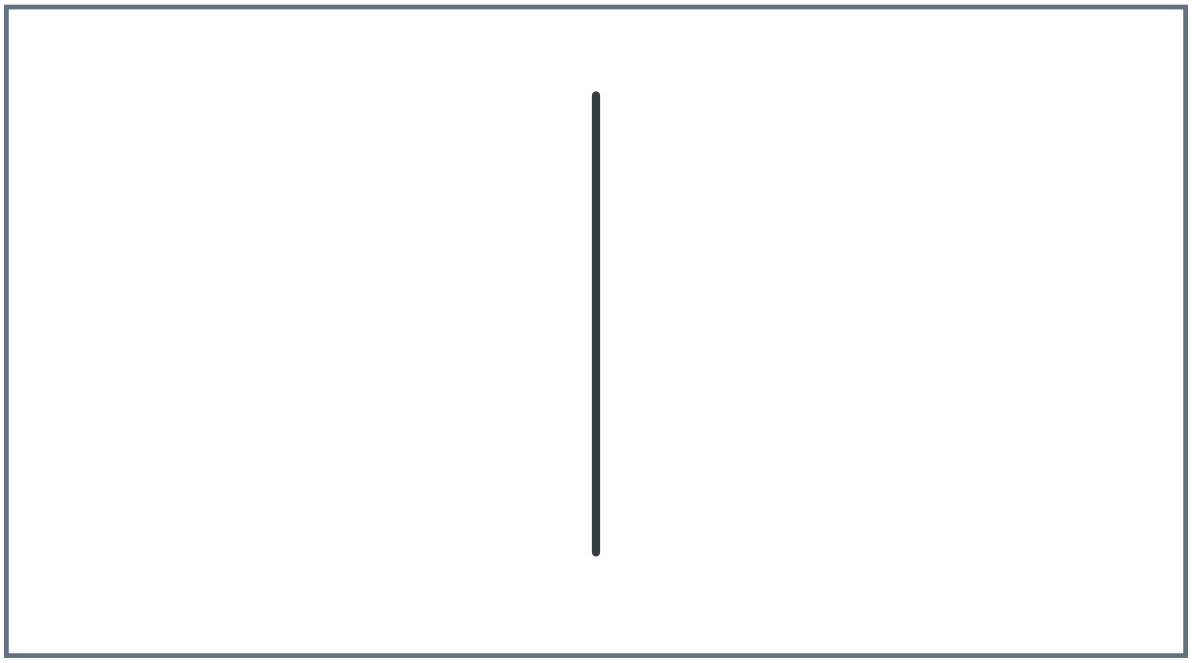
Hold a straight edge alongside each stroke in turn to confirm neither bows, then compare the gap at the left end, middle, and right end. All three gaps should look equal.

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Task 3 — Vertical stroke: Draw one vertical line down the middle of a blank page using the four-step method. Check it against the paper's side edge.



Answer

One unbroken vertical stroke, parallel to the paper's side edge, with no visible drift.

Reasoning

Sighting and endpoint dots fix the vertical path; a single steady downward stroke keeps it unbroken; the check against the side edge reveals any drift.

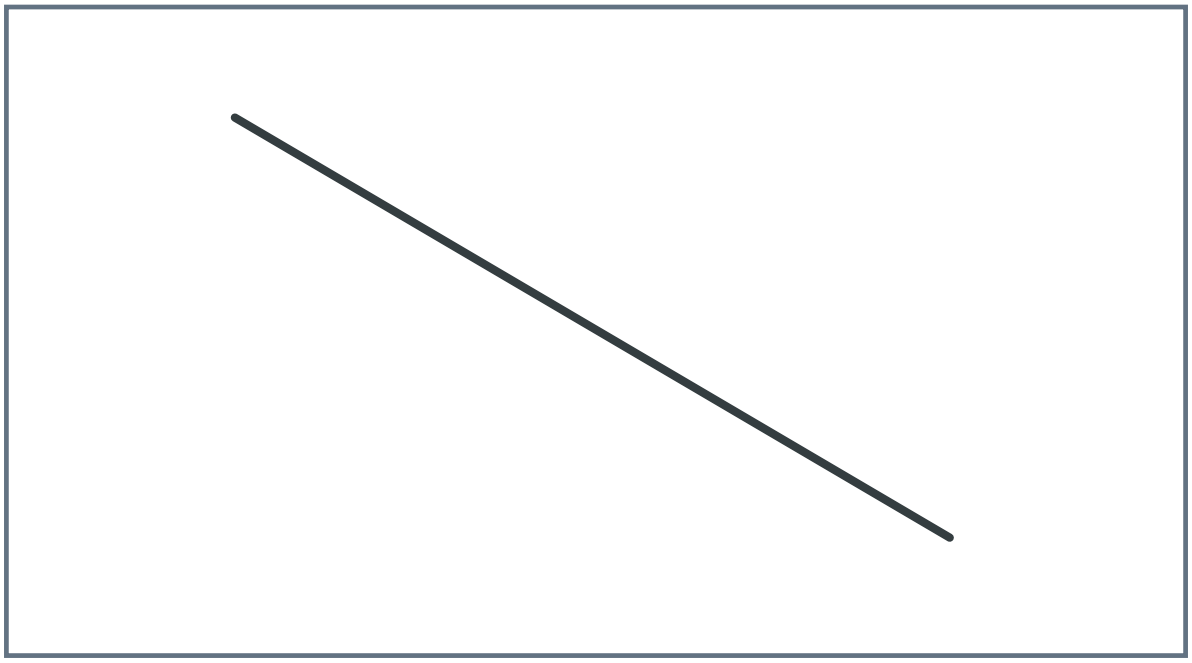
Check

Hold the page so its side edge is vertical and compare the stroke's distance from that edge at the top, middle, and bottom. All three should look equal.

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Task 4 — Diagonal stroke: Draw one diagonal line from the upper-left area of a blank page to the lower-right area using the four-step method. Check it against a straight reference edge held alongside it.



Answer

One unbroken diagonal stroke running from upper-left to lower-right, with no visible bowing.

Reasoning

Sighting and endpoint dots fix the diagonal path; a single steady stroke keeps it unbroken; the check against a straight edge reveals any bowing.

Check

Hold a straight edge (a book spine or the paper's own edge) alongside the stroke and look for any gap between the stroke and the edge. The stroke should stay close to the edge along its whole length.