Bordered Lined Paper: Frame, Margin, and Ruling Explained

Worked example / complete source key

Plan a bordered lined sheet on A4 paper with a 9 mm baseline spacing, a 15 mm left margin, and a thin border frame inset 10 mm from each paper edge. State the writing area width.

Answer: A4 width is 210 mm. A 10 mm inset on each side leaves 190 mm inside the frame. A 15 mm left margin reduces the writing area width to 175 mm. The ruling uses 9 mm baselines inside that 175 mm width. Confirm the frame is closed on all four sides and that the margin strip sits fully inside the frame, not on or outside it. These values are hypothetical inputs for this plan, not universal requirements; measure your own paper and printer before finalising.