Paired College-Ruled and Wide-Ruled Sheets for Spacing Comparison

Original tasks 1, 2 / independent work

Task 1

A college-ruled sheet has a hypothetical spacing of 6.8 mm and a wide-ruled sheet has a hypothetical spacing of 8.4 mm. A passage uses fourteen lines on the college-ruled sheet and eleven lines on the wide-ruled sheet. Estimate the vertical space used on each sheet and compare.

Task 2

On a college-ruled sheet with hypothetical spacing 7.0 mm, a passage uses nine lines. On a wide-ruled sheet with hypothetical spacing 8.5 mm, the same passage uses eight lines. Which sheet uses fewer lines, and what is the estimated vertical space on each?

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Task 3

A learner writes lowercase letters a, c, e, m, n, o, r, s, u, v, w, x, and z on both sheets. On the college-ruled sheet the letters sit between baseline and midline. On the wide-ruled sheet the letters rise above the midline. State whether the x-height convention is met on each sheet and suggest one adjustment.

Task 4

A passage uses ten lines on a college-ruled sheet with hypothetical spacing 7.2 mm and ten lines on a wide-ruled sheet with hypothetical spacing 8.6 mm. Explain why the line counts might be the same and what to check next.