Gargoyle Drawing: Wing Spread, Horn Taper, and Crouched Posture

Topic reference / ordinary illustration



Ordinary topic reference. Hypothetical dimensions in the four tasks are supplied in their own text; this illustration is not their measured answer.

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Worked example / complete source key

On a hypothetical 20 cm by 28 cm paper, use H = 6 cm. Place the ground line at 4 cm from the bottom. Mark the hip midline at H above ground, the shoulder line at 1.2H, and the horn-tip line at 2H. Choose a wing spread of 1.5H per side. Describe the checkpoint positions and one arithmetic check.

Answer: Ground line is at 4 cm. Hip midline is at 4 + 6 = 10 cm from the bottom. Shoulder line is at 4 + 1.2 times 6 = 4 + 7.2 = 11.2 cm. Horn-tip line is at 4 + 2 times 6 = 4 + 12 = 16 cm. Wing spread per side is 1.5 times 6 = 9 cm from the spine line. Check: the vertical distance from ground to hip is 10 minus 4 = 6 cm, which equals H. All values are hypothetical examples measured on the chosen paper.