Realistic Cat Drawing: Fur Direction, Eye Shading, and Body Proportion

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

A head study uses a head oval 12 x-heights wide and 9 x-heights tall. The eye line is marked halfway down. Where should the eye line sit, and where should the nose line sit if it is one-third up from the chin?

Answer: The eye line sits 4.5 x-heights from the top and 4.5 x-heights from the chin. The nose line sits 3 x-heights above the chin, because one-third of 9 x-heights is 3 x-heights.