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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 practice panel is 10 cm by 10 cm. A leaf motif is 6 cm wide and 8 cm tall. You want at least 1 cm margin on each side. Does the motif fit, and where should its base sit?

Answer: The motif fits horizontally: 6 cm wide plus a 1 cm minimum margin on each side equals 8 cm, which is less than the 10 cm panel width. Centered, it leaves 4 cm total side margin, or 2 cm on each side, which exceeds the 1 cm minimum. Vertically, 8 cm tall plus 1 cm top and bottom equals 10 cm, so it fits exactly with 1 cm top margin and the base on the baseline. Place the motif's base on the baseline and center it horizontally on the midline.