Realistic Deer Drawing: Fur, Anatomy, and Shading Practice

Original task 1 / independent drawing and calculation

Task 1

On a blank sheet, draw a side-view deer outline using a hypothetical head length of 4 cm. Make the body three head lengths long and two head lengths tall at the shoulder. Mark the shoulder, hip, knee, and hock joints. Do not add fur or shading yet.

Keep the original task measurements. Use the full drawing sheet in this PDF for a response needing more room; use the stated paper size when a task specifies larger paper.

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Original task 2 / independent drawing and calculation

Task 2

Draw a deer's neck and shoulder area only. Use short strokes to show fur flowing downward and slightly back. Use two values: a light mid-tone and a darker tone in the shadow under the neck. Assume light from the upper left.

Keep the original task measurements. Use the full drawing sheet in this PDF for a response needing more room; use the stated paper size when a task specifies larger paper.

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Original task 3 / independent drawing and calculation

Task 3

Draw a deer's hindquarters and back half. Show fur sweeping down and back on the hindquarters and toward the tail along the back. Use three values: light, mid, and dark. Place the dark value only in the deepest shadow near the hip.

Keep the original task measurements. Use the full drawing sheet in this PDF for a response needing more room; use the stated paper size when a task specifies larger paper.

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Original task 4 / independent drawing and calculation

Task 4

Draw a complete side-view deer with light from the upper right. Use four values and fur direction on the neck, back, and hindquarters. Include a simple background shadow under the deer to ground it. Keep the hooves and muzzle crisp.

Keep the original task measurements. Use the full drawing sheet in this PDF for a response needing more room; use the stated paper size when a task specifies larger paper.

Full drawing sheet / reusable blank workspace

Reusable full drawing sheet for Tasks 1 to 4. Print another copy when needed. Keep all original task measurements; if a task specifies larger paper, use that paper size.