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Ordinary topic reference / separately checked pixels



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Original worked example / unchanged complete key

Prompt: On a grid with 4 columns and 3 rows, draw a patch of overlapping scales with downward overlap and light shading under each scale edge. Describe the result.

Answer: Row 1 has 4 scales, each about 1.5 cm wide and 1 cm tall, with curved bottom edges. Row 2 has 4 scales offset by half a scale width, positioned so the bottom edges of row 1 scales cover their top edges. Row 3 repeats the offset pattern. The bottom edges of row 1 scales cast shading onto row 2 scales, and the bottom edges of row 2 scales cast shading onto row 3 scales; each band is about 2 mm wide. The overlap direction is consistently downward, and the shading is light and even.