Realistic Lips Drawing: Tonal Shading, Highlights, and Crease Lines

Original task 1 / independent drawing and calculation

Task 1

Draw lips with light from the upper right. Shade the upper lip darker than the lower lip, place a highlight on the lower lip toward the upper right, and add a dark central crease. Measure lip width and lower lip height in millimetres and state the ratio.

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 lips with light from directly above. Place the highlight on the upper lip near the center and keep the lower lip in midtone. Add two short crease lines on the lower lip. Write a small label 'lip' and measure the x-height in millimetres, from the baseline to the top of the lowercase letters without ascenders; record it.

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 lips with light from the lower left. Make the lower lip lighter than the upper lip and place the highlight on the lower lip toward the lower left. Add a dark central crease and one corner shadow. Measure lip width and lower lip height in millimetres; if the ratio is not between 1:2 and 1:4, adjust the drawing and re-measure.

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 lips with light from the upper left. Use a midtone for both lip bodies, then darken the upper lip slightly. Place a soft highlight on the lower lip upper left and add three short crease lines. Write a lowercase label 'h' for highlight using the x-height convention and measure its x-height in millimetres, from the baseline to the top of the letter's body (not the ascender).

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.